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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Board Meeting – Staff Development Room
April 9, 2013

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The Stanly County Board of Education met on Tuesday, April 9, 2013, at 7:00 PM in the Central Office Staff Development Room located at 1000-4 North First Street.

Attendance: Board members in attendance were Melvin Poole, Jeff Chance, Mike Barbee, Dr. Angela Mills, Vicky Watson, Lonnie Chandler, Mitzie Almond, and Tracy Lowder. Others in attendance included Superintendent Terry Griffin, Assistant Superintendent Sandra Carter, Director of Finance and Auxiliary Services Bill Josey, and Board Attorney Mark Lowder.

Chairman Melvin Poole called the meeting to order and Tracy Lowder gave the invocation.

Student Recognitions: Governors School- Dr. Griffin let the Board know that the student being recognized for Governors School was unable to be in attendance this evening and would be recognized at the May meeting.

Electronics Blast- CTE Director Georgia Harvey reported that NSHS with CTE instructor Ronnie Dunn, SSHS with CTE instructor Bill Sorenson, and WSHS with CTE instructor Adam Storms all participated in the Electronics Blast. Each school had winners in all three levels of competition and all three schools were awarded five medals each. The overall winner was SSHS and the following were being recognized this evening, with CTE instructor Bill Sorenson and Principal Shawn Britt, for their achievements.

Electronics I- 1st place winner: William Kepley
Electronics I- 3rd place winner: Austin Mills
Electronics I- 5th place winner: Jareth Baldwin
Electronics II- 1st place winner: Adam Faulkner
Electronics III- 5th place winner: Hunter Oserhout

North Stanly Middle School Run Club- NSMS PE teacher James Policastro recognized the following students of the NSMS Run Club for their accomplishment in achieving first place in the Mini Medley:

6th Grade

Lillie Austin
Addison Cord
Lucie Featherstone
Mimi Selke
Ross Watson
Austin Carter
Jonathan Null

7th Grade

Rylei Smith
Casey Kruger
Jordan Howard
Anna Little
Avery Merritt
Elaine Hudson

8th Grade

Weston Dennis
Aaron Walters
Joseph Williams
Will Lowder
Carter Knighten
Tate Cord

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the February 19, 2013 special called meeting, February 19, 2013 work session, and March 5, 2013 regular meeting were approved as presented.

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Committee Reports: Chairman Melvin Poole called for committee reports as follows:

Instructional Program – Dr. Angela Mills- No report.

Facilities – No report.

Finance – Mike Barbee reported that the committee met on March 26, 2013 to discuss some attorney client matters about the old Central building and West Main building. Both matters were referred to the Board for tonight's closed session.

Personnel – Vicky Watson reported that the committee will meet again on May 2, 2013, 4:00 PM, at the Central Office.

Policy – Jeff Chance- No Report

Legislative Resource Network – Dr. Griffin- No Report.

iPad Donation: Dr. Griffin reported that she received notification from Manage Mobility Company who would like to donate a set of tablets, iPads, or something comparative to Stanly County Schools. In keeping with Policy #8220, the Board would need to vote to accept the gift. Dr. Griffin recommended the gift be accepted. Jeff Chance made a motion, seconded by Vicky Watson, to approve the superintendent's recommendation of accepting the iPad gift donation. After some brief discussion was had on the particulars of the gift the Board voted and approved the superintendent's recommendation.

Instructional Services: Dr. Carter provided members with information on the following:

- Proposed High School Exam Schedule- This proposed calendar was created after a meeting with high school principals. With the additional testing required this year the need for two additional early release days were recommended. Exam days for high school MSL testing will be May 31, June 3 (full days) and EOC/CTE Testing will be June 4-7 (8:00 – 12:30) with early release each day. Dr. Carter noted that any middle school that shared buses with high schools would also be released early on the early release days.
- Focused Academy Course Implementation Schedule Draft- For review a draft copy of the Focused Academy Course Implementation Schedule was given to Board members. The draft listed and gave information on the focus academies that will be offered at each school.

Personnel and Student Services: Dr. Carter presented the personnel agenda as follows:

SECTION I - Personnel Matters (No action required) – The following items were provided for information: (A) Certified Resignations; (B) Classified Resignations; (C) Certified Reassignment; (D) Classified Reassignment; and (E) Other.

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SECTION II - Personnel Matters (Action required) – The following item was deferred to closed session for discussion: (B) Recommendation for Administrative Contract Renewals.

On a motion by Dr. Angela Mills and second by Jeff Chance, the Board approved the following personnel recommendations: (A) Employment of Classified Personnel; (C) Recommendation for Contracted Title I Services; (D) Recommendation for Substitute Bus Driver; (E) Recommendation for Substitute Child Nutrition; (F) Recommendation for Substitute Technology Assistants; (G) Recommendation for Substitute Office Assistants; (H) Recommendation for Substitute Teachers; and (I) Recommendation for Athletics.

Finance and Auxiliary Services: Bill Josey gave notification to the Board that the Finance Department would be changing accounting software beginning July 1, 2013 to Sunpac.

Dr. Griffin and Mr. Josey finished the remaining power point presentation on the 2013/2014 budget (the beginning of the presentation began during the Budget Hearing prior to the start of tonight's regular meeting). The presentation included the budget requests that Dr. Griffin would like to request of the county. Dr. Griffin asked for the Board to approve for her to give this same presentation to the Stanly County Commissioners at an upcoming county commissioners meeting. The Board approved the motion made by Mike Barbee and seconded by Mitzie Almond, for the budget requests to be presented to the commissioners.

Public Comments: Sherry Vaughn shared concerns that she had in regards to an email that she was copied on that discussed K-8 schools and middle schools.

Superintendent Comments: Dr. Griffin let members know as part of her superintendent's goals that indicated her desire to have student safety committees, the process for this has now begun. During the month of April focus groups will be held, starting with the Albemarle feeder area, on student perceptions of safety at their schools.

Board Member Comments: Board member comments included congratulations to those students who received awards tonight. Thanks was also extended to Dr. Carter and staff on all the work done in reference to upcoming curriculum offerings at our high schools.

Next Board Meeting: The next regularly scheduled monthly meeting would be held May 7, 2013 at 7:00 PM in the Commons Meeting Room.

Closed Session for Student Matters and Attorney-Client Matters: On a motion by Vicky Watson and second by Dr. Angela Mills, the Board entered into closed session at 8:15 PM for the purpose of discussing student matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(1), personnel matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6), and attorney-client matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(3).

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Board members reconvened in open session at 9:10 PM.

On a motion by Vicky Watson and second by Mitzie Almond members approved Section II (B) Recommendation for Administrative Contract Renewals.

On a motion by Jeff Chance and second by Mike Barbee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Melvin Poole, Chairman

Terry F. Griffin, Secretary