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Board Meeting – Commons Meeting Room
May 6, 2014

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The Stanly County Board of Education met on Tuesday, May 6, 2014, at 7:00 PM in the Commons Meeting Room located at 1000 North First Street.

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

Chairman Jeff Chance called the meeting to order and Tracy Lowder gave the invocation.

Student Recognitions: Dr. Terry Griffin, Dr. Sandra Carter, and Ms. Georgia Harvey recognized the following students for their achievements:

2014 Duke TIP: Maris Rader, AMS; Mariah Helms, NSMS; Matthew Collins and Austin Lindsey, WSMS.

Governor's School Recipient: William Kepley, SSHS

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the April 1, 2014 regular minutes, and April 15, 2014 joint commissioners meeting were approved as presented.

Committee Reports: Chairman Jeff Chance called for committee reports as follows:

Instructional Program – Dr. Angela Mills- No report

Facilities – Mike Barbee – No report

Finance – Mitzie Almond reported that the committee met April 29, 2014 and included

- Recommendations concerning the 2014-2015 budget. This will be presented to the Board tonight.
- Amendment #1 to record revenue of donations made for valedictorian and salutatorian scholarships.
- Amendment #2 to record revenue of the sale of Old Central School that was approved April 1, 2014.

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Personnel – Lonnie Chandler reported the committee met on April 29, 2014, and included proposed changes due to the Ready Initiative for the 2014-2015 school year. Proposals included reducing guidance counselors in the high schools, and adding five testing/career readiness coordinators and four curriculum professional development coordinators. Proposed future changes include the addition of testing/career readiness coordinators and curriculum/professional development coordinators to high and middle schools.

Lonnie Chandler stated that the committee will meet May 20, at 6:00 PM.

Policy - Melvin Poole presented the policies, which had been tabled for thirty days, for final approval. The Board approved the following policies as presented:

- Policy # 3095 Teacher Assistants
- Policy # 3165 Graduation Requirements
- Policy # 5036 Code of Ethics, Standards of Conduct and Staff Responsibilities
- Policy # 5060 Relationship with Students
- New Policy Guidelines for Maintaining Professional Staff / Student Boundaries
- Policy # 5160 Emergency Closing / Inclement Weather Leave
- Policy # 5335 Emergency Closing Days
- Policy # 5220-A A Transitional Return to Work
- Policy # 5305 Retention, Career Status and Promotion
- Policy # 5600 School Administrator Contracts

Melvin Poole stated that the committee will meet May 13, at 7:00 PM.

Legislative Resource Network (LRN) – Dr. Griffin informed members the Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Committee voted in favor to postpone action on the draft open enrollment bill until further study can be done. Short session will begin May 14.

Secure Canopy Presentation: Ed Thomas, Ken Swaringen, and Kathy Taylor demonstrated the Paxton access system currently being installed at WSHS. Highlights included integrations that can be made for each school.

Title I and Title III Plan: Dr. Sandra Carter presented the following information:

- Title I Plan for 2014-2015 - An overview of the Title I plan for 2014/2015 was given to members. Goals for the plan were also reviewed.

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- Title I Planning Budget- An overview of the planning allotment estimates for the Title I Plan for 2014/2015 was reviewed with members.
- Title III Plan Update- An overview was given of the 2014/2015 plan for funds available through Title III, a funding source to be used for enhanced instructional opportunities beyond the basic required services for English Language Learners (ELL's).

On a motion by Dr. Angela Mills seconded by Tracy Lowder, the Board approved plans for the 2014-2015 school year.

2014-2015 Budget Presentation: Dr. Terry Griffin and Mr. Bill Josey then gave a power point presentation; *Superintendent's 2014-15 Budget Recommendations*, with updates after the finance committee meeting on April 29, 2014. Powerpoint is attached to minutes. On a motion by Tracy Lowder seconded by Vicky Watson, the Board approved the 2014-2015 Superintendent's budget recommendations.

Schools Closed for Transfers 2014-2015: Dr. Terry Griffin reminded members that transfer request are being accepted through May 15 for the 2014-2015 school year. Dr. Terry Griffin then reviewed the capacity data sheet with board members identifying the schools that will meet or surpass the 85% capacity limit closing Central, East, Locust, Richfield, NSMS, WSMS schools for transfer consideration. Mr. Poole suggested posting this information on the website.

Curriculum and Instruction: Dr. Sandra Carter informed members the high school exam dates are scheduled for June 6-12; with June 12 being a makeup days for students. Dr. Carter proposed an early release of 1:00 pm on June 11 and 12 for all standard high schools, middle schools, and Stanly Academy. On a motion by Dr. Angela Mills seconded by Tracy Lowder, the proposed early release dates were approved.

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

SECTION I - Personnel Matters (No action required) – The following items were provided for information: (A) Certified Resignation; (B) Classified Resignations; (C) Teaching Contracts for Renewal.

SECTION II - Personnel Matters (Action required) – The following items were deferred to closed session for discussion: (A) Recommendation of Administrative Contracts for Renewal.

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On a motion by Melvin Poole and seconded by Todd Swaringen, the Board voted to approve Section II (B) Recommendation for Certified Personnel; (C) Recommendation for Reassignment of Classified Personnel; (D) Recommendation for Classified Employment; (E) Recommendation for Teacher Substitutes; (F) Recommendation for Contracted Services.

Finance and Auxiliary Services: Board members were updated on following items:

- Audit Contracts for 2013-2014 requires board action each year. On a motion by Mike Barbee seconded by Vicky Watson, the audit contracts to Rives and Associates price agreement totaling \$27,888.00 was approved.
- Albemarle High School Secure Access Solutions will continue under General Statute 143-129E6 through prior bids totaling all 4 schools under \$500,000.00.
- Surplus Equipment list was presented to the Board. On a motion by Melvin Poole seconded by Tracy Lowder, the proposed list for disposal was approved.
- Locust/DOT Project Update: DOT is projected to begin work the end of June or beginning of July. The center line of the proposed roadway has been marked.

Public Comments: None

Superintendent Comments: Dr. Terry Griffin comments included a reminder the parent stakeholder survey is still available online as well as paper copies if requested. Dr. Terry Griffin recognized teacher appreciation week, and thanked all teachers for all they do to enrich the lives of our students.

Board Member Comments: Board member comments included appreciation to all teachers and nurses, and congratulations for students recognized this evening.

Next Board Meeting: The next regularly scheduled monthly meeting will be June 3, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Stanly Commons Meeting Room.

Closed Session for Student Matters and Attorney-Client Matters: On a motion by Todd Swaringen and seconded by Dr. Angela Mills, the Board entered into closed session at 8:39 PM for the purpose of discussing student matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(1), personnel matters in

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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).

Board members reconvened in open session at 9:05 PM.

On a motion by Tracy Lowder seconded by Dr. Angela Mills, Section II- A personnel matters were approved.

On a motion by Vicky Watson and seconded by Tracy Lowder, the meeting was adjourned at 9:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Chance, Chairman

Terry F. Griffin, Secretary