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The Stanly County Board of Education met on Tuesday, August 5, 2014, at 7:00 PM in the Commons Meeting Room located at 1000 North First Street.

**Attendance:** Board members in attendance were, Vice Chairman 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, Director of Finance and Auxiliary Services Bill Josey, and Board Attorney Mark Lowder.

Vice Chairman Dr. Angela Mills called the meeting to order. Mr. Melvin Poole gave the invocation.

Vice Chairman Dr. Angela Mills asked that if there were no objections to amend the agenda placing Finance and Auxiliary Services before Curriculum and Instruction. There were no objections to revising the agenda.

**Recognition of Stanly County Schools Foundation Board of Directors:** Dr. Terry Griffin recognized the following *Foundation Committee* members: Joy Hathcock, Steve Coats, Sandie Brundin, Vicky Watson, and Mitzie Almond. Dr. Griffin also recognized the following *Foundation Board of Directors* members: Saundra Huneycutt, President, Charles Brown, President Elect, Al Taylor, Secretary, Dr. Harold McDonald, Eddie Wall, Beth Hopkins, and Theresa Troutman.

**Recognition of Retirees:** Ms. Vicki Calvert, Dr. Sandra Carter and Dr. Terry Griffin recognized retirees for their years of service to Stanly County Schools. The following were retirees for the 2013-2014 school year:

Dot Alsobrooks	Gwen Atkins	Barbara Carpenter
Paula Case	Jenny Curlee	Robbie Cycotte
Vickie Eudy	Dianne Frick	Glenna Frick
Misty Hamilton	Eva Helms	Sandra Huneycutt
Brenda Ingold	Donna Jones	Karen Kluttz
Keith Little	Lisa Long	Rosemary Lovin
Ann McElheny	Shelia Misenheimer	Angela Moore
Linda Moore	Gary Moran	Ara Morton
Nancy Napier	Susan Norris	Joy Owen
Carolyn Pennell	Kelley Phillips	Rita Russell
Sharon Russell	Carol Sasser	Sharon Surratt
Brenda Taylor	Sharon Thornburg	Billy Craig Williams
Danny Wilson		

At 7:10 PM, Vice Chairman Dr. Angela Mills declared a recess. The Board reconvened in open session at 7:14 PM.

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**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the June 3, 2014, regular meeting; June 26, 2014, and July 15, 2014 special called meetings were approved as presented.

**Committee Reports:** Vice Chairman Dr. Angela Mills called for committee reports as follows:

Instructional Program – Dr. Angela Mills – No Report

Facilities –Mike Barbee – Reported the committee met on June 17, 2014 to discuss the following agenda items:

- Portable greenhouses at WSHS, WSMS, and NSHS
- The Committee discussed the updated facility use recommendation that will be presented to the full Board tonight.

Finance – Mitzie Almond – No report.

Personnel – Lonnie Chandler – Next meeting will be Tuesday, August 12 at 6:00 PM, at the Central Office.

Policy – Melvin Poole presented three policies, which have been tabled for thirty days, for final approval. As recommended by the Policy Committee after discussions the following policies were approved:

- New Policy # 4145 Policy and Procedure To Allow a Natural Death
- Policy # 5320 Employee Workday/Workweek
- Policy # 4065 Code of Conduct (Page 14 - Section 10)

Legislative Resource Network (LRN) – Dr. Terry Griffin – No report.

**Welcome to 2014-15 School Year:** Dr. Terry Griffin reported the initial assessment results for the 2013-14 school year indicates improvements from the previous year. During the 2014-15 school year the focus for the 8,600 plus students enrolled will include the following focus areas: data driven instruction, implementation of the Chromebook project into all middle schools, offering additional online courses, professional development, safety, art and writing competitions, character education, health fairs, and additional organized sports. Dr. Terry Griffin presented members with an updated organizational chart and stakeholder report that will be available online to the public tomorrow morning.

**Agriculture Survey:** Dr. Terry Griffin provided Board members a copy of the agricultural survey that was completed during the 2013-14 school year. Dr. Terry Griffin informed the Board she will be meeting with members of the community, per their request, to discuss the future of the Ridgecrest facility late August or early September. A brief discussion was held by Board members regarding the survey results.

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**BOE Work Session/Committee Meetings 2014-15:** Dr. Terry Griffin provided members with an updated committee schedule for the month of August, and suggested possible work session for November 18 to discuss the status of the updates district strategic plan, and March 10 to discuss planning for the 2015-16 school year.

**Stanly County Schools 2014-15 Student/Facility Fees:**

- Transcript – Dr. Terry Griffin presented information to the Board concerning transcript fees for the 2014-15 school year. Current charge of five dollars does not allow maintenance expenses associated with the electronic archiving. Dr. Terry Griffin recommended after surveying surrounding districts to increase the standard rate for post graduates only to thirteen dollars, rush to thirty five dollars, and corporate requests of twenty three dollars. On a motion by Vicky Watson and seconded by Tracy Lowder, the Board approved the price increases.
- Technology – Mr. Truett Preslar presented insurance option for the Chromebook project currently implemented in all high schools. After looking into several options Mr. Preslar suggested the most beneficial to our students is a local fee of ten dollars for each student. On a motion by Vicky Watson and seconded by Todd Swaringen, the Board approved the ten dollar per high school student insurance fee.
- Facilities – Mr. Bill Josey presented identical facility use fees for 2014-15 used during the 2013-14 school year. On a motion by Vicky Watson and seconded by Tracy Lowder, the Board approved the facility use fees remain the same for the 2014-15 school year.

**Red Cross MOU:** Dr. Terry Griffin presented copies of the MOU provided by Red Cross for the temporary shelter in case of emergencies. Dr. Terry Griffin recommended continuing the partnership. On a motion by Melvin Poole and seconded by Vicky Watson, the Board approved the MOU with Red Cross.

**Nomination to NCSBA Board of Directors:** Dr. Angela Mills, representing Mr. Jeff Chance in his absence, announced that NCSBA asked for nominations from districts for a possible vacancy on the *NCSBA Board of Directors*. Chairman Jeff Chance has recommended Mr. Lonnie Chandler to represent Stanly County. On a motion by Tracy Lowder and seconded by Todd Swaringen, the Board approved Chairman Jeff Chance's recommendation.

**Finance and Auxiliary Services:** Mr. Bill Josey updated the Board on facility repairs completed during the summer included: replacement of gym floors at WSHS and AHS, drain repaired in the WSHS cafeteria, carpet removed in Badin, Oakboro and East Albemarle, completion of the road behind Locust, and *Secured Access Solutions* installed at WSHS and AHS. Mr. Bill Josey then addressed the prime budget areas of concern as follows:

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- Drivers Ed funding was preserved for the 2014-15 school year only. As of July 1, 2015 state funding will go away, but LEA's are still required to provide drivers education to all students.
- State employees received zero bonus days and a \$500.00 raise.
- Board members received a summary Mr. Bill Josey prepared concerning Salary and associated Special Provisions.

Smart Snacks Nutrition Standards for All Foods Sold to Students – Mrs. Stefanie Almond presented for information only the recent change in the Healthy Hungry Free Kids Act of 2010 established USDA with authority to set standards for snack and beverages sold to children during the school day outside of the Child Nutrition department. Smart Snacks in School allowed four options to LEA's in order to comply with Federal and State laws. After all options were reviewed the committee chose to extend existing SBA Policy from 12:01 AM through 30 minutes after the dismissal bell rings. This option will have the least impact on staff and students.

**Curriculum and Instruction:** Dr. Sandra Carter presented the following updates for the Boards information. Additional items that will be implemented this year will be the continuation of professional development sessions, mini professional development sessions, NCDPI instructional reviews, Quality Assurance Inventory, additional Stanly Online courses, Foundation grant, and Time Tracking program to become compliant with *Affordable Care Act*. Additional information included preliminary testing data shows increased scores from 2012-13, and the summer camps for Read to Achieve were a success with two thirds attending passing the necessary requirements to be determined proficient in reading.

**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) Recommendation for Reassignment of Administrative Personnel; (D) Recommendation for Reassignment of Certified Personnel (E) Recommendation for Reassignment of Classified Personnel; and (F) Fall Coaching List.

SECTION II – Personnel Matters (Action required) – The following items were deferred to closed session for discussion: (B) Recommendation for Administrative Personnel; and (D) Recommendation for Certified Personnel.

On a motion by Todd Swaringen and seconded by Vicki Watson, the Board approved the following personnel recommendations: (A) Recommendation for Contract Renewal; (C) Recommendation for One-Year Renewal for Certified Personnel; (E) Recommendation for Reassignment of Classified Personnel; (F) Recommendation for Classified Personnel; (G) Recommendation for Tutors; (H) Recommendation for Substitute Teachers; (I) Recommendation for Bus Substitutes; (J) Recommendation for Child Nutrition Substitutes;

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(K) Recommendation for Custodial Substitutes; (L) Returning Office Support Substitutes; (M) Recommendation for Contracted EC Teacher Assistants; and (N) Recommendation for EC Contracted Services for 2014-2015.

**Public Comments:** Melissa Belk, NCAE president in Stanly County, informed the Board of ideas and goals that are in place moving forward in her new position, and looks forward to working together throughout the school year.

**Superintendent Comments:** Dr. Terry Griffin – No comments.

**Board Member Comments:** Board member comments included congratulations to all the retirees and thank you to all the SCS Foundation volunteers.

**Next Board Meeting:** The next regular monthly meeting will be September 2, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Central Office Staff Development Room located at 1000-4 North First Street.

**Closed Session for Student Matters and Attorney-Client Matters:** On a motion by Melvin Poole and seconded by Vicky Watson the Board entered into closed session at 8:43 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).

Board members reconvened in open session at 9:31PM.

On a motion by Mike Barbee and seconded by Melvin Poole, the Board approved the following personnel recommendations: Section II (B) Recommendation for Administrative Personnel; (D) Recommendation for Certified Personnel.

On a motion by Melvin Poole and seconded by Mike Barbee the meeting was adjourned at 9:31PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Chance, Chairman

Terry F. Griffin, Secretary