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The Stanly County Board of Education met on Saturday, April 28, 2018, at 9:00 AM in the City Hall Executive Room 106 located at 1000 North Second Street.

Attendance: Board members in attendance were, Chairman Melvin Poole, Patty Crump, Glenda Gibson, Ryan McIntyre, Todd Swaringen, Sherry Vaughn, and Vicky Watson. Others in attendance included Superintendent, Dr. Jeff James; Assistant Superintendent of Personnel and Student Services, Ms. Vicki Calvert; Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Mr. Danny Poplin; Chief Financial Officer, Ms. Nancy Hatley, and Board Assistant, Ms. Hope Miller.

Vice Chairman Ms. Glenda Gibson called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

On a motion by Mr. Ryan McIntyre and seconded by Ms. Vicky Watson, the Board approved to amend the agenda to include closed session for personnel matters following agenda item VI.

Board Training: Dr. Jim Watson presented a PowerPoint presentation *Board/ Superintendent Roles and Responsibilities* (documentation attached). The presentation provided training on NC general statues, duties and authorities, and closed sessions. During an open question and answer section items discussed included committees, agendas, lottery funding, and calling meetings.

Instructional: Dr. Jeff James discussed potential instructional plans at all high schools that would result in all being choice high schools. NSHS would become an International Baccalaureate/Career Program (IB/CP) site. These programs would impact the junior classes and would detail interviewing for principal and teacher positions. With the application being due soon at the cost of \$14,000.00 and an operating cost of \$13,000.00 a year thereafter. Dr. James will need direction from the Board soon due to the year process time. AHS would house Cooperative and Innovative High School (CIHS) for health and human services. This will offer a unique opportunity and partnership with Pfeiffer University for SCS students. SSHS site would offer an AP Academy. Positions would need to be posted and interviewed for this as well. He stated a year down the road you could apply to be an AP Capstone school if desired. WSHS having such a strong arts program would be ideal to migrate to an A+ Arts school. There is at \$10,000.00 application fee associated with this program. A policy would need to be developed to address sports. He discussed potential gains from implementing Synovia on buses for the upcoming school year. He then addressed SCoVE (Stanly County Virtual Environment) publications that will be mass mailed to homeschooled children. He stated a public forum would be beneficial to inform parents on what this would provide for their children, and to address misconceptions currently within the homeschool community.

Grants: Dr. Jeff James stated the following grants applications that are in the process of being submitted. TQP (Teacher Quality Partnership) for 1.5 million per year, GearUp for 1.3 million dollars for afterschool programs and mentoring, DLI (Digital Learning Initiative) for \$150,000.00 for virtual presence at high schools, RUS (Rural utilities

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services) in the amount of \$500,000.00 for telecommunications for virtual presence, and 21st Century for 1.4 million for 3 years for afterschool services for at risk students.

He then addressed the documentation what was shared with the Board via email concerning the budget presentation and requests that will be presented to the County Commissioners during the May 14 meeting. He discussed the need for additional funding that could be generated through a quarter cent sales tax. He believes partnering with SCC and addressing safety needs that could be met at each school would give perspective on what would be gained if passed. Dr. Jeff James will give a presentation to the full Board concerning the presented information during the May 1, 2018 meeting. He stated if the Board wished to move forward another Instructional Committee meeting will need to be held in May to go over final details to be discussed again during the June meeting.

Closed Session for Personnel Matter: On a motion by Mr. Ryan McIntyre and seconded by Ms. Vicky Watson, the Board entered into closed session for the purpose to discuss personnel matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11 (a)(6) at 12:59 PM.

Board members reconvened in open session at 2:05 PM.

On a motion by Ms. Sherry Vaughn and seconded by Ms. Vicky Watson, the meeting was adjourned at 2:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Melvin Poole, Chairman

Dr. Jeffery R. James, Secretary