

Minutes

Anson County Board of Education

Monday, December 16, 2024

Regular Meeting 3:30 p.m.

Anson County Schools' Administrative Board Room

The Anson County Board of Education met in a regular session on Monday, December 16, 2024. Board members present were Marilynn Bennett, Lisa Davis, Carol Gibson, Frank Liles, Bobbie Little, Judy Little, Beulah Pratt, Kelly Sheppard and George Truman. Others in attendance were Dr. Brian Ratliff (Superintendent), Dr. Josh McLaurin (Executive Administrator), Mike Flake (Board Attorney), and Anne Hyatt (Board Clerk).

Call to Order

Dr. Brian Ratliff called the meeting to order at 3:13 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Organization of the Board

Dr. Brian Ratliff opened the floor for nominations for chairperson. Marilynn Bennett nominated George Truman. The board voted to close the nominations upon a motion by Carol Gibson, seconded by Marilynn Bennett. Motion carried. Dr. Truman was unanimously approved as chairperson by the board.

Dr. Brian Ratliff opened the floor for nominations for vice chairperson. Bobbie Little nominated Frank Liles. The board voted to close nominations upon a motion by Lisa Davis, seconded by Carol Gibson. Motion carried. Frank Liles was unanimously approved as vice chairperson by the board.

Invocation

George Truman gave the Invocation. Lisa Davis asked for the board to remember those in Madison, Wisconsin. Dr. Truman called for a moment of silence for Madison, Wisconsin.

Dr. Truman welcomed Kelly Sheppard to the board. Mrs. Sheppard thanked Dr. Truman and said she looked forward to working with the board.

Adopt Agenda

The board voted to adopt the agenda, as presented by a motion by Beulah Pratt, seconded by Frank Liles. The motion carried.

Approve Minutes

Carol Gibson moved to approve the meeting minutes for November 25, 2024. Judy Little seconded the motion, and it was approved by the board. The motion carried.

Closed Session

Chair Truman asked for a motion to go into a closed session. Kelly Sheppard made a motion to go into closed session at 3:20 p.m. to consider a personnel action that involves an officer or employee of the Board pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143.318.11 (a)(6) and to discuss the acquisition of real estate or to discuss the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed

contract for the acquisition of real property according to North Carolina General Statute 143.318.11(a)(5). The motion was seconded by Judy Little and approved by the board. Motion carried.

There was no action taken.

Reconvene Open Session

The Board returned to open session at 4:37 p.m. upon a motion by Carol Ann Gibson. Lisa Davis seconded the motion, which was approved by the board and carried.

Recognition

On behalf of the North Carolina State Board of Education and the Department of Public Instruction, the board presented Academic Growth Awards to the following schools:

- Ansonville Elementary School
- Lilesville Elementary School
- Morven Elementary School
- Peachland-Polkton Elementary School
- Wadesboro Primary School
- Wadesboro Elementary School
- Anson County Early College High School

Public Comment

There was no one to speak during this portion of the meeting.

Chair's Report

Dr. Truman recognized Jamie Caudle with the County Commissioners and JD Bricken as a former County Commissioner.

Superintendent's Report

School Growth Presentations

Sandra Harrell and Dr. Dionnya Pratt were present to share the Morven Elementary School Growth Presentation. Mr. Arthur Jackson was present to share the School Growth Presentation for Anson Middle School.

Student Learning and Performance Presentation

Dr. Karen Roseboro shared the district data performance review from the 2023-2024 school year.

Closed Session

Lisa Davis made a motion to go into closed session to consider a personnel action that involves an officer or employee of the Board pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143.318.11 (a)(6) and to discuss the acquisition of real estate or to discuss the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property according to North Carolina General Statute 143.318.11(a)(5). The motion was seconded by Carol Ann Gibson and approved by the board. Motion carried.

There was no action taken.

Reconvene Open Session

The Board returned to open session at 5:54 p.m. upon a motion by Carol Ann Gibson. Lisa Davis seconded the motion, which was approved by the board and carried.

Consent Items

The board approved the following consent agenda items (Personnel Report and Budget Amendments) on a motion by Marilyn Bennett, seconded by Beulah Pratt. The motion carried.

Adjournment

Lisa Davis moved to adjourn at 6:05 p.m. Frank Liles seconded the motion, which was approved by the board. There was no discussion, and the motion carried.

Dr. George Truman, Chairman

Dr. Brian Ratliff, Secretary