

Minutes

Anson County Board of Education

Regular Meeting

Monday, July 29, 2013, 5:30 p.m.

Charles Riddle Staff Development Center

The Anson County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, July 29, 2013. All members were present except for an excused absence from Bobbie Little. Others in attendance were Howard McLean (Executive Director), Holly Berry (Chief Financial Officer), Mary Ratliff (Executive Director), Mike Flake (Board Attorney) and Anne Hyatt (Clerk to the Board of Education).

A. Call to Order

Chair Lisa Davis opened the meeting and welcomed all visitors.

B. Invocation

Chair Davis asked Frank Liles to give the Invocation.

C. Conflict of Interest Statement

In compliance with the requirements of Chapter 138A-15(e) of the State Government Ethics Act, Chair Davis reminded Board Members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts of interest under Chapter 138A. There were no conflicts of interest communicated by the members. Chair Davis then requested that if, during the course of the meeting, members became aware of an actual or apparent conflict of interest that they bring the matter to her attention. She further explained it would then be the member's duty to abstain from participating in discussion and from voting on the matter.

D. Adopt Agenda

The agenda was unanimously adopted by the Board upon a motion by Frank Liles, with a second by Mike Turner. Motion carried.

E. Approve Minutes

(Regular Meeting 06-26-13)

Upon a motion by George Truman, seconded by Carol Ann Gibson, the regular meeting minutes of June 26, 2013, were unanimously approved by the board. Motion carried.

F. Closed Session

- Matters Related To Personnel

Chair Davis entertained a motion that the Board go into closed session for the purpose of considering a personnel action that involves an officer or employee of this Board pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143.318.11(a) (6). This motion was made by Russell Sikes, seconded by Marilyn Bennett and unanimously approved by the board. The Board went into closed session at 5:32 p.m.

There was no action taken.

@. Reconvene Open Session

- The Board returned to open session at 6:57 p.m. upon a motion by Russell Sikes, seconded by Beulah Pratt. There was no discussion. Motion carried.

@. Recognition The Anson County Schools' Finance Division was acknowledged by the board for receiving recognition by the NC State Board of Education for excellence in Financial Resource Management for Fiscal Year 2011-12.

I. Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE

Public Comment is limited to five minutes per speaker. Speakers may offer objective comments about school operations and programs. The Board will not permit any expression of personnel complaints nor defamatory comments about the Board of Education personnel and students or against any person connected with the Anson County School System. Security issues and matters relating to negotiations/grievances will not be permitted.

There was no one to speak during this section.

J. Chair's Report

- Public Engagement: Russell Sikes mentioned he recently visited schools and saw the cleaning and construction going on to prepare for the opening of our schools. He commented on the cleanliness of Wadesboro Primary School and how well the covered walkway project looked.

@. Superintendent's Report

- Mr. Freeman gave a report on budget (sold asset report), current job postings/

personnel, community use of facilities and current projects update.

@. Consent Items

- George Truman made a motion to approve the Consent Items. Russell Sikes seconded the motion and the board approved the following Consent Items: Personnel Report, Lottery Project Application for Anson Middle School, Beginning Teacher Support Program and Community Use of Facilities Fee Structure. Russell Sikes, Beulah Pratt, Mike Turner, Frank Liles, Carol Ann Gibson, Marilyn Bennett and George Truman all voted in favor of the motion. Chair Davis abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest with a name on the personnel report. Motion carried.

@. Calendar items

- Mr. Freeman said he will e-mail the Opening Day Convocation Agenda to all members in advance of August 20th.

@. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Frank Liles, seconded by Carol Ann Gibson.

There was no discussion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Lisa G. Davis, Chairperson

Mr. Michael Freeman, Secretary