

Minutes
Anson County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Monday, December 15, 2008, 5:30 p.m.

The Anson County Board of Education met in regular session Monday, December 15, 2008. All members were present. Others in attendance were Michael Freeman (Executive Director), Anne Hyatt (Board Assistant), Michael McLeod (Executive Director) and Frances Williamson (Deputy Superintendent).

I. Call to Order

Board Chairperson Lisa Davis opened the meeting and welcomed all visitors.

II. Invocation

Chairperson Davis asked Russell Sikes to give the Invocation.

III. Adopt Agenda

The agenda for today was unanimously adopted by the Board upon a motion by Russell Sikes, with a second by Altheria Patton. Motion carried.

IV. Approve Minutes (Regular Meeting 11-24-08)

Altheria Patton moved the minutes of the regular meeting of November 24, 2008, be approved. This motion was seconded by Jackie Huntley, and unanimously approved.

V. Closed Session

- Matters Related To Personnel

Chairperson 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 M. R. Bell seconded by Michael Livingston and unanimously approved. The Board went into closed session at 5:33 p.m.

There was no action taken.

VI. Reconvene Open Session

- The Board returned to open session at 6:32 p.m. upon a motion by Russell Sikes seconded by M. R. Bell. There was no discussion. Motion carried.

VII. Public Comment (limited to three minutes, 20 minutes total)

PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE

Public Comment is limited to three 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.

This was no one present to speak during this segment.

VIII. Chair's Report

- Planetarium
 - Upon a motion by Russell Sikes, seconded by Michael Livingston, the Board voted unanimously to suspend the rules and vote immediately to name the Planetarium Section of The Wadesboro Rotary Planetarium and Science Center the *Henry H. Morton Planetarium*.
 - Upon a motion by Russell Sikes, seconded by Jackie Huntley, the Board voted unanimously to name the Planetarium Section of The Wadesboro Rotary Planetarium and Science Center the *Henry H. Morton Planetarium*.

IX. Superintendent's Report – See Attached

- Fast ForWord Presentation
 - Ms. Robbie Pruitt-Woody and Pam Clemmons were present from Scientific Learning to present to Dr. Firn and Anson County Schools a plaque naming Anson County Schools as a National Reference Site for Scientific Learning. Mr. Michael Freeman introduced Mrs. Deborah Davis (Principal of Anson Early College) and Mr. Ray King (Student of Anson Early College) and both spoke about the success they have had with the FastForWord Program at the Early College High School. Mr. Freeman then introduced Ms. Sheri High, Ms. Nancy Diggs and Ms. Nancy Bricker who recently attended the National Conference for Scientific Learning. At that time, Ms. Bricker presented the slideshow they compiled for the National Conference.

X. New Business

c.1 – Personnel Report

- Upon a motion by Russell Sikes, seconded by Altheria Patton, personnel items B, C, and D presented by Dr. Firn, were approved by the Board. Motion carried.

c.2 – Budget Amendments

- A motion to approve the Local, State, Federal and Capital Outlay Budget Amendments were given by Russell Sikes, seconded by Jackie Huntley. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board. Motion carried.

XI. Calendar Items

- School Board 101 – January 12-13, 2009
- School Board 101 – January 22-23, 2009
- NSBA Annual Conference – April 4-7, 2009 (San Diego)

XII. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Rob Rollins. The motion was seconded by Michael Livingston. There was no discussion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Lisa G. Davis, Chairperson

Dr. Gregory Firn, Secretary