

Minutes
Anson County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Monday, June 29, 2009, 5:30 p.m.

The Anson County Board of Education met in regular session Monday, June 29, 2009. All members were present except for an excused absence from Altheria Patton. Others in attendance were Mike Flake (Board Attorney), Michael Freeman (Executive Director), 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 Michael Livingston. Motion carried.

IV. Approve Minutes (Regular Meeting 05-18-09)

Daniel Wilson moved the minutes of the regular meeting of May 18, 2009, be approved. This motion was seconded by Beulah Pratt, and unanimously approved. Motion carried.

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 Jackie Huntley 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 6:36 p.m. upon a motion by Russell Sikes seconded by Michael Livingston. 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

IX. Superintendent's Report – See Attached

- Summer School/Virtual School Update – Mrs. Williamson said approximately 861 students are currently taking advantage of summer learning activities this summer. She said this includes students taking credit recovery courses, enrichment courses, and summer school. Dr. Firm added there are also students involved in summer reading programs. Dr. Firm said he will give another update at the end of summer.

X. Old Business

c.1 – Board Policies:

- Cell Phone Policy
Upon a motion by Russell Sikes, seconded by Michael Livingston, the Cell Phone policy was unanimously approved by the board. Motion carried
- Travel Policy
Rev. Rollins asked if the section on reimbursing someone for the personal use of their car based upon the schools' availability of funds could be removed so when someone is asked to use their personal car for business related reasons, they would be reimbursed if the system had the money. Chair Davis said the change could be made, but it would need to lie on the table for another 30 days. Dr. Firm said if the system requires it and it is part of their job responsibility then we have an obligation and a duty to reimburse. Rev. Rollins said under 2A, he would like "limits of the budget" to be removed. Dr. Firm said he may not remove that wording but possibly their job performance would need to be modified. Dr. Firm said he will make that change and present this policy in July. Jackie Huntley withdrew her motion to approve the Travel Policy. Chair Davis said the Travel policy will again lie on the table for 30 days and will possibly be approved at the July meeting.
- Policy GBKA (Reduction in Force)
Upon a motion by Russell Sikes, seconded by Rob Rollins, policy GBKA (Reduction in Force) was unanimously approved by the board. Motion carried
- Bullying Policy
Upon a motion by Michael Livingston, seconded by Jackie Huntley, the Bullying policy was unanimously approved by the board. Motion carried. Dr. Firm said this policy is in compliance with new language coming from the State of NC.

XI. New Business

c.1 – Personnel Report

- Upon a motion by Daniel Wilson, seconded by Michael Livingston, personnel item D presented by Dr. Firn, was approved by the Board. Motion carried.

c.2 – Final Budget Amendments

- Local Current Expense Fund and Revenues Budget Amendments
Upon a motion by Jackie Huntley, seconded by Michael Livingston, Local Current Expense Fund and Revenues Budget Amendments were unanimously approved by the board. Motion carried.
- State Public Fund Expenditures and Revenues Budget Amendments
Upon a motion by Russell Sikes, seconded by Daniel Wilson, State Public Fund Expenditures and Revenues Budget Amendments were unanimously approved by the board. Motion carried.
- Federal Fund Expenditures and Revenues Budget Amendments
Upon a motion by Michael Livingston, seconded by Jackie Huntley, Federal Fund Expenditures and Revenues Budget Amendments were unanimously approved by the board. Motion carried.
- Capital Outlay Expenditures and Revenues Budget Amendments
Upon a motion by Michael Livingston, seconded by Beulah Pratt, Capital Outlay Expenditures and Revenues Budget Amendments were unanimously approved by the board. Motion carried.

c.3 – Interim Budget Resolution

- The Board, upon a motion by Michael Livingston, seconded by Daniel Wilson, adopted the following Interim Budget Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Anson County Board of Education will continue to operate at 85 percent of the level of funding of the 2008-2009 budget until such time as the 2009-2010 budget is adopted and approved or as required by the State Government. Motion carried.

XII. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Russell Sikes. The motion was seconded by Jackie Huntley There was no discussion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Lisa G. Davis, Chairperson

Dr. Gregory Firn, Secretary