

Minutes
Anson County Board of Education
Special Meeting
Wednesday, January 10, 2018, 9:00 a.m.
Anson County Schools' Administrative Office
Board Room

The Anson County Board of Education met in special session on Wednesday, January 10, 2018. All members were present except for an excused absence from Frank Liles. Others in attendance were Michael Freeman (Superintendent), Howard McLean (Associate Superintendent), Marty Godwin (Assistant Superintendent), Mike Flake (Board Attorney) and Anne Hyatt (Board Clerk).

I. Call to Order

Chair Bobbie Little opened the meeting and welcomed all visitors.

II. Invocation

George Truman gave the Invocation.

III. Conflict of Interest Statement

In compliance with the requirements of Chapter 138A-15(e) of the State Government Ethics Act, Chair Little 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 Little 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.

IV. Adopt Agenda

Lisa Davis made a motion to adopt the agenda. Beulah Pratt seconded the motion and the agenda was unanimously adopted by the Board. Motion carried.

V. Closed Session

- Matters Related to Personnel

Chair Little 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 Lisa Davis, seconded by Beulah Pratt and unanimously approved by the board. The Board went into closed session at 9:05 a.m.

There was no action taken.

VI. Reconvene Open Session

The Board returned to open session at 9:15 a.m. upon a motion by Lisa Davis, seconded by George Truman and approved by the board. Motion carried.

VII. New Business

Board of Education Candidate Interviews:

Jennifer Tarlton and Gay Lookabill were both interviewed separately by the board for the vacant at-large board seat.

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There was no action taken.

IX. **Reconvene Open Session**

The Board returned to open session at 10:25 a.m. upon a motion by Lisa Davis, seconded by Carol Gibson and approved by the board. Motion carried.

Dr. Truman nominated Gay Lookabill for the vacant board of education position. Beulah Pratt seconded the nomination.

Mike Turner nominated Jennifer Tarlton for the vacant board of education position. Lisa Davis seconded the nomination.

Lisa Davis made a motion to close the nominations. George Truman seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the board. Motion carried.

Mike Flake then distributed ballot cards for the members to vote on the two nominations. After the voting, Mr. Flake confirmed Ms. Gay Lookabill won the vacant seat with a 5-1 vote.

X. **Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made at 10:29 a.m. by Lisa Davis, seconded by Carol Gibson and approved by the board. There was no discussion. The motion carried.

Dr. Bobbie Little, Chairperson

Mr. Michael Freeman, Secretary