

Minutes
Anson County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Monday, November 19, 2018, 4:30 p.m.
Anson County Schools' Administrative Office
Board Room

The Anson County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 19, 2018. All members were present. Bobbie Little arrived at 4:50 pm. Others in attendance were Michael Freeman (Superintendent), Howard McLean (Associate Superintendent), Marty Godwin (Assistant Superintendent), Holly Berry (Finance Officer), Mike Flake (Board Attorney) and Anne Hyatt (Board Clerk).

I. Call to Order

Chair George Truman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone in attendance.

II. Invocation

Mike Turner 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 George Truman 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 Truman 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 his attention. He 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

Frank Liles made a motion to approve the agenda. Lisa Davis seconded the motion and the agenda was unanimously adopted by the Board. Motion carried.

V. Approve Minutes

(Regular Meeting 10/29/18)

A motion was made by Carol Gibson to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 29, 2018. The motion was seconded by Marilynn Bennett and approved by the board. Motion carried.

VI. Closed Session

○ Matters Related to Personnel

George Truman entertained a motion for the Board to 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 Beulah Pratt, seconded by Carol Gibson and unanimously approved by the board. The Board went into closed session at 4:37 p.m.

There was no action taken.

VII. Reconvene Open Session

The Board returned to open session at 5:33 p.m. upon a motion by Carol Gibson, seconded by Gay Lookabill and approved by the board. Motion carried.

VIII. **Recognition**

The board of education recognized the 2018 Christmas Card Design Contest Winners: Sheila Chau, Chloe Lambert, Maci Sellers, Myah Waller, Taylor Burgess, Addison Taylor, Kazoua Thao, Allison Honeycutt, Shelby Hasty and Mariah Rogers.

The board also recognized the Anson Middle School Blue Volleyball Team for winning the 2018 Western SEC Conference Championship and the Anson High School Varsity Volleyball Team for advancing to the first round of the NCHSAA State Playoffs.

Morven Elementary, Lilesville Elementary, Ansonville Elementary and Peachland-Polkton Elementary Schools were all recognized by the board for being named a NC Positive Behavior Intervention and Support Initiative (PBIS) Green Ribbon Award Winner.

Marilynn Bennett was recognized and presented a resolution from the board of education for her service as a board member over the last eight years.

IX. **Public Comment**

There was no one to speak during public comment.

X. **Chair's Report**

Public Engagement: Several board members discussed schools they have recently visited and events and activities they have participated in at the schools and within the community.

XI. **Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Freeman gave a report on Human Resources, Current Job Postings, Current Projects, Facility Construction Update and Instructional Programs.

Carol Gibson mentioned concerns about Anson Early College not having a licensed English teacher. Mr. Freeman stated he thinks there is a misunderstanding and will check into Ms. Gibson's report.

Facility/Current Projects Updates:

- PPES traffic pattern recommendation received approval by the state at no expense to the board of education. The extension of the parking lot, new exit road and sign relocation will be done during the summer months.
- Mr. Freeman will be working to get quotes to upgrade camera systems at each school.
- High school athletic complex project is going well and updates will continue.
- FEMA and Property Insurance info updates were shared with the board. Mrs. Berry confirmed three property insurance claims were submitted and approved for Anson Middle School, Anson High School and Peachland-Polkton Elementary School.

Dr. Truman asked what the next steps will be for a new middle school. Mr. Freeman said they will soon post a request for qualifications to work with an architect on a school design. He further explained phase one studies will be reviewed and we will begin getting estimates on what it will cost to build a new middle school.

XII. **Consent Items**

Upon a motion by Mike Turner, seconded by Lisa Davis, the following consent items were approved by the board: Personnel Report, Budget Amendments, District Final Plan for Improvement and Peachland-Polkton Elementary School Traffic Pattern. Motion carried.

Mr. Freeman and Dr. Truman both thanked Ms. Bennett for her service to the children of Anson County through her work as a board member. Dr. Truman then gave Ms. Bennett the opportunity to make the motion to adjourn.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:19 p.m. by Marilyn Bennett, seconded by Carol Gibson and approved by the board. There was no discussion. The motion carried.

Dr. George Truman, Chairperson

Mr. Michael Freeman, Secretary