

Board Meeting Highlights  
Regular Session  
January 12, 2018

The Gates County Board of Education met in regular session on Friday, January 12, 2018, at the Gates County Board of Education Central Office. Chairman Felton called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. The following board members were present: Ray Felton, Glendale Boone, Leslie Byrum, Claire Whitehurst and Dr. Daniel Dickerson. Mrs. Boone made a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel as outlined in North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6). The motion was seconded by Mrs. Whitehurst, and the board approved the motion unanimously. The Board entered into closed session at 9:05 a.m.

Mr. Felton reconvened open session at 10:11 a.m., with the following board members present: Ray Felton, Glendale Boone, Leslie Byrum, Claire Whitehurst and Dr. Daniel Dickerson.

Mr. Byrum made a motion to amend the agenda by adding Item 4b under Items for Information – Request for Release of Meghan Riddick, from Gates County Schools, to attend Elizabeth City/Pasquotank Public Schools. Mrs. Boone seconded the motion, and the board members approved the motion unanimously.

Mr. Felton welcomed Dr. Shawn Wilson, new principal at Gatesville Elementary School, and Mr. Steve Rogers, parent of Gatesville Elementary School student, to the meeting.

There was a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no public comments.

During the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Williams informed that there may be some new development on HB13 - Class Size Legislature, but we will have to wait and see what happens. He also indicated that there was a meeting, with staff on January 9, 2018, to begin discussion of the 2018-2019 budget.

In honor of January being School Board Appreciation Month, Dr. Williams presented Years of Service pins to board members that had served 5 or more years. Those receiving pins were as follows:

Mrs. Claire Whitehurst - 5 years of service  
Mr. Ray Felton – 9 years of service  
Mrs. Glendale Boone – 14 years of service  
Mr. Leslie Byrum – 19 years of service

A cake was presented in appreciation of all the board members, and their dedication to the students of Gates County.

Dr. Williams introduced Dr. Shawn Wilson, principal at Gatesville Elementary. Dr. Wilson thanked everyone for the opportunity to become part of the Gates County Schools' family. Dr.

Williams also noted that she will be introduced at the PTA meeting at Gatesville Elementary on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Williams informed that he has been chosen to serve on Governor Ray Cooper's Superintendent Educational Advisory Council, representing the Northeast. He hopes to be able to bring attention to the many challenges that rural schools in the Northeast are facing.

During the Report from the Board, Board Members commented on participation in the Gatesville Christmas Parade. Mr. Felton noted that he serves on the board for Chowan University, and they are preparing to hire a new President. He feels sure that the new President will be offering opportunities at Chowan University, for our students here in Gates County.

Mr. Blanchard gave the Financial Report and provided an update on the New Beginnings Daycare.

Dr. Williams approved the following out-of-district requests for the 2017-18 school year:

- Olivia Long to attend Gatesville Elementary School, pending release from Hertford County Schools
- Meghan Riddick released to attend Elizabeth City/Pasquotank Public Schools

During Unfinished Business Mr. Felton reported that he had talked with Mr. James Brinkley in regards to the Land Lease for land located in Sunbury, near the old Sunbury School. He reached an agreement with Mr. Brinkley to increase the fee from \$100.00 to \$250.00, which equates to \$50.00 per acre. The board was in agreement to revise the lease to reflect the \$250.00 fee, and add as Item Number Fifty-Three on the Consent Agenda.

The following Consent Agenda Items were approved:

1. Minutes - December 4, 2017 Joint Meeting with Commissioners
2. Minutes - December 7, 2017 Regular Session
3. Policy 1610/7800 - Professional and Staff Development
4. Policy 3101 - Dual Enrollment
5. Policy 3115 - Curriculum and Instructional Guides
6. Policy 3130 - Grouping for Instruction
7. Policy 3200 - Selection of Instructional Materials
8. Policy 3210 - Parental Inspection of and Objection to Instructional Materials
9. Policy 3400 - Evaluation of Student Progress
10. Policy 3405 - Students at Risk of Academic Failure
11. Policy 3410 - Testing and Assessment Program
12. Policy 3420 - Student Promotion and Accountability
13. Policy 3430 - School Improvement Plan
14. Policy 3431 - Conflict Resolution
15. Policy 3450 - Class Rankings
16. Policy 3640/5130 - Student Voter Registration and Pre-registration
17. Policy 4150 - School Assignment

18. Policy 4320 - Tobacco Products - Students
19. Policy 5000 - Schools and the Community
20. Policy 6120 - Student Health Services
21. Policy 6220 - Operation of School Nutrition Services
22. Policy 6410 - Organization of the Purchasing Function
23. Policy 6530 - Resource Conservation
24. Policy 7130-R - Licensure
25. Policy 7335 - Employee Use of Social Media
26. Policy 9010 - Site Selection
27. Policy 7510 - Leave
28. Policy 7530 - Military Leave
29. Policy 7810 - Evaluation of Licensed Employees
30. Policy 7900 – Resignation
31. Policy 7930 - Professional Employees: Demotion and Dismissal
32. Policy 7940 - Classified Personnel: Suspension and Dismissal
33. Policy 8210 - Grants and Funding for Special Projects
34. Policy 8510 - School Finance Officer
35. Policy 9110 - Use and Selection of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Construction Managers at Risk
36. Policy 9115 - Prequalification of Bidders for Construction Projects
37. Policy 9120 - Bidding for Construction Work
38. Policy 9400 - Sale, Disposal and Lease of Board-Owned Real Property
39. Policy 1310/4002 - Parental Involvement
40. Policy 1800- Governing Principle - Stewardship of Resources
41. Goals and Objectives of the Educational Program
42. Policy 3100 - Curriculum Development
43. Policy 3220 - Technology in the Educational Program
44. Policy 3460 - Graduation Requirements
45. Policy 4155 - Assignment to Classes
46. Policy 6520 - Use of Equipment, Materials and Supplies
47. Heroes Overcome Presentation for T.S. Cooper Elementary
48. Budget Amendment No. 3 - Local Fund No. 2
49. Budget Amendment No. 4 - State Funds
50. CTE Business Advisory Committee
51. Revised School Calendar – (Tentatively approved by Superintendent)
52. GCHS BETA overnight trip
53. Land Lease

The following personnel items were approved:

1. New Hires
  - Dr. Shawn Wilson – Principal, Gatesville Elementary School
  - Renee Wagner – Long-Term Substitute for CTE Technology - 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

2. Transfers

<b>Employee</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Scott Corrente	Principal, GES	Assistant Principal GCHS	1-3-2018
Devin Riddick	TA GES	Substitute GES	1-12-18

3. Substitute Teacher

- Regina Bowen

4. COA Practicum Placement

- Christine Freeman – T.S. Cooper Elementary School – Supervising Teacher –  
Jennifer Miller – Kindergarten

5. Gates County High School Coaches

- Jonathan Hobbs – JV Baseball Coach
- Eshimon Holley – Volunteer – Boy’s Varsity Basketball

In Other Business the following items were discussed:

- The regular February session will be held at the Gates County Board of Education Central Office on Monday, February 5, 2018, with closed session beginning at 5:00 p.m. and open session at 6:00 p.m.
- The Board Members adopted schools as follows:  
Ray Felton                      Central Middle School  
Glendale Boone                Gates County High School  
Leslie Byrum                    Gatesville Elementary  
Claire Whitehurst              T.S. Cooper Elementary  
Daniel Dickerson                Buckland Elementary

There being no further business, Mr. Byrum made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Boone seconded the motion, and board members approved the motion unanimously. Chairman Felton adjourned the meeting at 10:46 a.m.