

Regular Session Board Meeting
March 30, 2018

The Gates County Board of Education met in regular session on Friday, March 30, 2018, at the Gates County Board of Education Central Office. Vice-Chairman Glendale Boone called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. The following board members were present: Mrs. Glendale Boone, Mr. Leslie Byrum, Mrs. Claire Whitehurst and Dr. Daniel Dickerson. Mr. Felton was not present. Mrs. Whitehurst made a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel as allowed by North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6). The motion was seconded by Mr. Byrum, and the board approved the motion unanimously. The Board entered into closed session at 11:05 a.m.

Vice-Chairman Boone reconvened open session at 12:03 p.m., with the following board members present: Glendale Boone, Leslie Byrum, Claire Whitehurst, and Dr. Daniel Dickerson.

Mr. Byrum made a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Whitehurst seconded the motion, and the board members approved the motion unanimously.

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

There were no public comments.

During the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Williams reported that he had received an e-mail from Natalie Rountree, County Manager, informing that we can put Central Middle School construction out for bids. Dr. Williams stated that the county will need to get the Local Government Commission approval before we can proceed. He said he hoped to be able to start demolition of the 8th grade wing this summer. He is going to devise a plan for collecting bricks and other memorabilia that can be distributed to community members. Mr. Byrum asked if there would be a cost for the memorabilia. He stated that funds collected could be used to create a monument to be placed at the school. Mr. Byrum also said that he had been approached by a community member, in regard to plaques being placed at the elementary schools, honoring the renovations made several years ago. Dr. Williams said he would look into this.

During the Board Report, Mrs. Whitehurst commented on the Strategic Plan Committee and Daycare Committee meetings, that she had attended. She complimented Dr. Paula Simpson on her leadership. Mr. Byrum also commented that Mrs. Tammi Ward had done a great job as leader of the Strategic Plan Committee, that he is serving on. Several board members attended the Battle of the Books, in which the elementary schools participated.

Mr. Rube 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 2018-19 school year:

- Jake Williams to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Reece Williams to attend Buckland Elementary School

- Kamyrrn Riddick to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Shala’Jah Stallings and McKinley Jones to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Drake Harrell to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Avery & Makaylin Hall to attend Buckland Elementary School, contingent upon release from Hertford County Schools
- Taylor Ward to attend Central Middle School contingent upon release from Edenton/Chowan Schools
- Kayla White to attend Gates County High School, contingent upon release from Northampton County Schools
- Christopher & Thomas Nelson to attend Central Middle School, contingent upon release from Hertford County Schools, and payment of tuition
- Molly Ann Ludmilla Dickerson to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Brendan Casper to attend Central Middle School, contingent upon release from Hertford County Schools
- Aubrey Ashley to attend Buckland Elementary School
- James Edward Brown to be released from Gates County Schools to attend Hertford County Schools
- Logan & Grace Harders to attend Buckland Elementary School, contingent upon release from Hertford County Schools
- Sarah Hewitt to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School
- Cali Anna Hall to attend Buckland Elementary School

The following Consent Agenda Items were approved:

1. Approval of Minutes – March 2, 2018 Budget Retreat
2. Approval of Minutes – March 5, 2018 Regular Session
3. GCHS HOSA Overnight Field Trip
4. Buckland Elementary Kindergarten and Exceptional Children Out-of-State Field Trip
5. GCHS Agriculture Classes’ Out-of-State Field Trip
6. Gatesville Elementary Field Trips and Fundraisers
7. Budget Amendment No. 7 – State Funds
8. Budget Amendment No. 5 – Local Fund No. 2
9. Budget Amendment No. 3 – Local Fund No. 8
10. Budget Amendment No. 4 – Federal Funds
11. SRO and Security Memorandum of Understanding

Under New Business, Mr. Byrum questioned why the attachments to the agenda are not made available for the public to view in E-Boards. It was noted that it has always been done that way, but can be changed if the board so desires. The attachments are made available upon request. The board decided to keep posting the agendas in E-Boards as is, and if there is a request, we will provide the information to the individual requesting that information.

The following personnel items were approved:

1. NEW HIRES

- Takita Lane – CNA II/Teaching Assistant – T.S. Cooper Elementary
- Barbara Austin – School Counselor – Central Middle School
- Amber Harrell – CMS Health/PE Teacher
- Madelyn Hobbs – New Beginnings Teacher Assistant

2. LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

- Regina Bowen – Long-Term Substitute Social Studies Teacher at Central Middle School for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year
- Najah Barrett – New Beginnings Daycare Substitute
- Linda Rawls – New Beginnings Daycare Substitute
- Shakimma Lewis – New Beginnings Daycare Substitute

3. TUTOR

- Odessa Williams – Gates County High School

4. OBSERVATION HOURS

- Brienna Benard – New Beginnings Daycare

5. TRANSFERS

Employee	From	To	Replacing	Effective Date
Devin Riddick	Teacher Assistant/ GES	Administrative Assistant to Assistant Superintendent - Tammy Boone	New Position	06/18/2018
Don Hudson	6th Grade Science Teacher/CMS	CTE Technology Teacher/GHCS	Amy Moore (Transferred to Math Teacher GCHS)	07/01/2018
Whitney Hobbs	Business Education CTE Teacher/CMS	Business/Marketing CTE Teacher/GCHS	Michelle Warren (resigned in 2017)	07/01/2018
Cynthia Perry	Teacher Assistant/ Buckland	Teacher Assistant/GES	Sharon Batts (retirement)	07/01/2018

Amanda Hobbs	6-8 Grade LA Teacher/CMS	GC Schools AIG Coordinator	New Position	07/01/2018
Wanda Hathaway	Teacher Assistant/TS Cooper	Classroom Teacher/TS Cooper	Mrs. Hathaway is currently filling this position on a one year contract	07/01/2018 (This is for a one year contract only for the 2018-19 school year)
Meredith Pritchett	Classroom Teacher/T.S. Cooper	Classroom Teacher/GES	Pascale Harrell/Retirement	07/01/2018

6. RETIREMENT

- Pascale Harrell – Kindergarten Teacher – Gatesville Elementary
Effective: 7/1/2018
- Annie Jacox – School Nurse – Effective 7/1/2018
- Sharon Batts – Teacher Assistant – Gatesville Elementary – Effective 7/1/2018
- Arlene Batts – 4th Grade Teacher - Gatesville Elementary – Effective 7/1/2018

7. RESIGNATIONS

- Taylor Gurganus – Teacher at T.S. Cooper Elementary
Effective 6/16/2018
- Alora Buxton – 7th Grade Social Studies Teacher at Central Middle School – Effective 3/30/2018

8. TRANSPORTATION

- Penny Pittman – Transfer from substitute bus driver to full time driver
- Lakisha Saunders – Resign as full time bus driver and transfer to substitute bus driver
- Virginia Kindley – Resign as full time bus driver and transfer to substitute bus driver

9. ATHLETICS

- John Long – Resignation as CMS Assistant Baseball Coach

10. SCHOOL SECURITY

- Adrianna Perrone
- Lauren Kitchen

- Ronnie Palmer
- Glenn Bunch
- Joshua Doshen

In Other Business the following items were discussed:

- The regular May session will be held at the Gates County Board of Education Central Office on Monday, May 7, 2018, with closed session beginning at 4:00 p.m. and open session at 5:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Dr. Dickerson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Whitehurst seconded the motion, and board members approved the motion unanimously. Vice Chairman Boone adjourned the meeting at 12:22 p.m.