Board Highlights January 5, 2015

The Gates County Board of Education met to discuss personnel as outlined in N.C. General Statute 143-318.11 (a)(6).

The Gates County Board of Education met in regular session on, Monday, January 5, 2015 at Gates County High School. Glendale Boone, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

During Public Comments, Mrs. Barbara Toti, Drama Teacher at Gates County High School, handed out brochures for the Annual Polar Plunge, to be held on January 31, 2015. She invited everyone to come out and support the program. This event and the Tread Mill event, in the past years, have collected over \$30,000 for Special Olympics. She thanked everyone for their support in the past.

Agenda Items

Student Advisors – Morgan Barnes and Deja Gainey presented a powerpoint with Good News from the schools.

During the Academic Report, Mrs. Tammi Ward focused on the Academic Acceleration Program at Gates County High School. Kaylee White presented a powerpoint on how "Music Affects the Brain".

During the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Williams presented a powerpoint highlighting the following:

- NC-Pre-K
- Principal/Assistant Principal Compensation
- Teacher Assistant Funding
- School Construction/Education Lottery
- Protecting Rehired Retirees

Dr. Williams, in honor of Board Appreciation Month, recognized our Board Members' dedication to Gates County Schools. He applauded them for their vision, their hard work, and the countless hours they volunteer, to assure that our schools are providing the best education possible. The board members were presented with plaques.

Dr. Benthall gave an update on the After School Tutoring Program.

Mrs. Donna Winborne, from Douglas A. Hollowell, P.C., CPA Firm, presented the audit report for Year Ending June 30, 2014. The auditors issued an Unmodified Opinion, which is the highest recommendation that can be earned.

Approval Items

Mr. Jeremy Wright requested the approval of a mini-book fair fundraiser for T. S. Cooper Elementary School.

Mrs. Tammi Ward requested the approval of overnight night trips for the Habitat for Humanity Outreach Program at Gates County High School.

Dr. Williams requested the approval of Policy 5240 – Advertising in the Schools.

Mr. Rube Blanchard requested the approval of the following budget amendments:

Budget Amendment No 2– Federal Funds

Budget Amendment No. 3 – Local Fund #8

Budget Amendment No. 4 – Local Fund #2

Budget Amendment No. 4 – State Funds

Mr. Blanchard requested the approval of Mileage Reimbursement Rate Change from 56 cents per mile to 57.75 cents per mile.

Dr. Williams requested the approval of JKF Architecture Proposal to collect, organize, collate chronologically and transfer to digital format, the existing building drawings of each facility.

Tutors for T.S. Cooper Elementary School

Marva Bond

Kathy Byrum

Debbie Byrum

Loretta Jones

Kathy Sisson

Computer Technology Internship

Jesse Perry – Roanoke Chowan Community College Internship with John Smith January 5, 2015 – May 6, 2015

Decline Offer of Employment

Todd Phillips – Director of Transportation

Resignation

Randon Smith – Resigned as regular bus driver – approved as substitute bus driver