

Board Highlights August 3, 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 August 3, 2015 at the Gates County Board of Education Central Office. Madam Chair Glendale Boone called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The following board members were present: Glendale Boone, Ray Felton, Leslie Byrum, Claire Whitehurst, and Dr. Daniel Dickerson.

Madam Chair Boone welcomed visitors and staff.

Madam Chair Boone read the following names who had requested to speak during public comments: Dr. Jeff Benthall, Andrea Hargrave, Natasha Norman, Archinta Batts and Kathy Benthall. None were present.

Dr. Williams spoke about the Administrators Retreat which was held at Merchants Millpond Thursday, July 30, 2015 and Friday, July 31, 2015. He thought it was a very informative retreat. The speakers included representatives from the Navy, Attorney John Leidy, Dr. Bill Daggett, Lola Rountree, Rob Tharpe and Dr. Jim Watson. He thanked Mrs. Glendale Boone for attending.

He asked Mr. Rube Blanchard to give a Financial Report. Mr. Blanchard explained that the State still has not approved the budget for the 2015-16 fiscal year, but we will continue to function with the continuing budget, as long as we do not exceed last year's budget, until the new budget has been approved.

Dr. Williams approved the following Out-of-District Requests for the 2015-16 School Year:

- Milton Carter for her son, Joseph Carter to T.S. Cooper Elementary School
- Michelle Thorne for her children Caleb and Katherine Copeland to attend Gatesville Elementary School
- Jessica Bloodworth for her children Edrith Gatling, Jr. to attend Central Middle School and Janiyah Gatling to attend Gatesville Elementary School
- Tiffany Lewis for her daughter, Mikaela Lewis to attend Gates County High School
- Miriah Smith for her child, Aiden Smith, to attend Gatesville Elementary School

Approval Items

- Physical Therapy Contract with Emmy Isbell
- Psychological Contract with Rebecca Helms
- Transportation Contract with Jacqueline Lassiter
- Transportation Contract with Betty Lassiter
- Request for Buckland Elementary School Fundraisers

- Request for Dr. Daniel Dickerson to be appointed to serve on the Gates County Educational Association for Excellence
- Request for Increase in High School Transcript Cost
- Request for Gates County High School Fundraisers
- Request for Special Olympics Overnight Trips
- Request for Travel Rate Increase
- Request for Out of District Tuition Increase from \$1600.00 to \$1650.00 for 2015-16 School Year
- Lawn Care Contracts with Lillypad Lawn Maintenance and Brinkley Lawn Care of Gates, LLC

- TEACHERS

Hannah Szymanik – Gatesville Elementary School – replacing Korey Lawlis
 Robert Bruce Lee – Math Teacher at Gates County High School – replacing Taylor Gurganus
 Odessa Bond – Exceptional Children at Gates County High School – replacing Gerald Lee

- LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Randy Bratton – Spanish at Gates County High School – replacing Juan Ayala
 Renee Wagner – Biotechnology at Central Middle School – replacing Mona Rawls

- SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

Charlene Walker – Non-Certified

- CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL COACHES

John Long – Assistant Baseball Coach
 Marcus Barber – Head Track Coach

- TRANSFERS

Susan Braatz from Full-time Music Teacher at Buckland Elementary to Itinerant Music Teacher at Buckland Elementary and Gatesville Elementary
 Effective: 8-17-2015

Phillipa Smith – Exceptional Children’s Teacher at Buckland Elementary to Exceptional Children’s Teacher at Gates County High School – replacing Regina Hurdle – Effective: 8-17-2015

Richard Turner – Exceptional Children’s Math Teacher at Central Middle to Exceptional Children’s Teacher at Buckland Elementary – replacing Phillipa Smith – Effective: 8-17-2015

Lauren Bright – 5th Grade Math Teacher at Buckland Elementary to 5th Grade Math Teacher at Gatesville Elementary – Effective: 8-17-2015

- RESIGNATIONS

Brenda Garrett – Bus Driver – Gatesville Elementary – Effective: 7-21-2015

John Mathis – Math Teacher – Gates County High School – Effective: 7-31-2015

Peggy Walston – AIG Coordinator – Effective: 7-31-2015

At this time, the individuals listed above for public comment arrived. Madam Chair Boone recognized them and they presented a powerpoint with information about the after school program provided by Damascus during the 2014-15 school year. This program was not approved for the 2015-16 school year and these individuals, as staff members, were requesting the board to reconsider.

Mrs. Boone thanked them for their comments.

There being no further business Mr. Byrum made a motion to go back into closed session. Mrs. Whitehurst seconded the motion and the board approved the motion unanimously. Madam Chair Boone adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.