Board Meeting Highlights Regular Session August 1, 2017

The Gates County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, August 1, 2017, at the Gates County Board of Education Central office. Chairman Felton called the meeting to order at 9:02 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.

Mr. Felton reconvened open session at 10:02 a.m., with all board members present.

Mr. Felton informed that the agenda needed to be amended to add the following to Items For Information – Dr. Williams approved the following Out-of-District Requests for 2017-2018 – Item k. – Joshua Aaron Hill, Jr. to attend Gates County High School, contingent upon payment of tuition and release from Hertford County Schools, Item I. – MollyAnn Ludmila Dickerson to attend Buckland Elementary, Item m. – Noah Johnston and Karalyne Johnston to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary. Also Item No. 7 – Request for increase of out-of-district tuition to \$1700.00 per child/per year, needs to be added to the Consent Agenda.

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

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

During Public Comments, Leanna Tyler spoke on behalf of the Buckland PTA. She provided information about the Panda-Monium 5k and Kids Fun Run Fundraiser to be held Saturday, September 23, 2017, at Merchant's Millpond State Park. The PTA hopes to raise funds to install a new fence around the playground at the school, upgrade equipment in the gym and provide for various other school needs. Sponsors are welcomed, and she encouraged everyone to come out and enjoy the fun.

Mr. Blanchard gave the Financial Report and provided an update on the New Beginnings Daycare. He stated that the daycare had generated an approximate \$5200 profit for the month of July, 2017. There was an estimated \$10,000 profit for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Fundraisers accounted for approximately \$6,000 of that total yearly profit. He said the state has provided the 2017-2018 budget, and he will provide the Budget Resolutions at the September meeting. Board members commented that even though there have been concerns with the Daycare, there have been many success stories, and it has been beneficial to our county.

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

- Tinsley Anne Janney to attend Gatesville Elementary School, pending payment of tuition and release from Hertford County Schools
- Justin Powell to attend Gatesville Elementary School
- Caleb & Katherine Copeland to attend Gatesville Elementary School
- Hannah Carlesi to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School
- David Liverman to attend Gates County High School, pending payment of tuition and release from Bertie County Schools
- Anthony Hart to attend Gatesville Elementary School
- Regan Strobel to attend Gatesville Elementary School
- Mollie & Charlotte Geyer to attend Gatesville Elementary School
- Makayla Smith to attend Central Middle School, pending payment of tuition and release from Chowan County Schools
- Carson Earl Forehand to attend Buckland Elementary School, pending payment of tuition and release from Bertie County Schools
- Joshua Aaron Hill, Jr. to attend Gates County High School, pending payment of tuition and release from Hertford County Schools
- MollyAnn Ludmila Dickerson to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Noah & Karalyne Johnston to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School

Ray Felton gave an update on the Central Middle School Project. There have been on-going meetings with the contractor and architect. Everyone has been working diligently to evaluate the plans, to make sure this project comes in under the \$8 million that the county has approved for this project. There have been meetings with county commissioners to keep them informed of progress. There was some concern about the new Career Technical Education requirements for middle school students. Board Members want to make sure the plans have incorporated these requirements into the construction/renovation plans, since these requirements are fairly new. The board members thanked Mr. Felton for his work on this project.

The following Consent Agenda Items were approved:

- 1. Approval of Minutes July 17, 2017
- 2. Approval of Gatesville Elementary Fundraisers
- 3. Approval of Policy 5008 Automated Phone and Text Messaging
- 4. Approval of Agreement For Evaluation Services With Educational Insights, Inc., For The Exceptional Children's Department
- 5. Approval of School Nutrition Vendor Bids for 2017-2018
- 6. Request for School Nutrition Meal Prices Increase
- 7. Request for Increase in Out-of-District Tuition

The following personnel recommendations were approved:

- 1. <u>Transportation Supervisor</u>
 - Ronald Ward
- 2. Guidance Counselor

- Samantha Matthews Guidance Counselor at Gates County High School
- 3. Interim Math Teacher
 - Debra Vaughan Gates County High School
- 4. Substitute Teachers
 - Loren Parkinson Non Certified
 - Pam Hoskins Clark Non Certified
- 5. Transfer

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- 6. <u>Summer Band Camp</u>
 - Kathryn Kittrell
 - Michelle Chamblee
 - Blake Heffington
 - Jaida Quinton
 - Jordan Quinton
 - Danielle Gordan
 - Austin Rowland
- 7. Central Middle School Coaches for 2017-2018
 - Lauren Lilley Belch Athletic Director
 - Marcus Barber Head Football Coach
 - Andre Riddick Assistant Football Coach
 - Lauren Lilley Belch Head Volleyball Coach
 - Whitney Farmer Assistant Volleyball Coach
 - Charlie Campbell Head Soccer Coach
 - John Long Assistant Soccer Coach
 - Marcus Barber Head Boys Basketball Coach
 - Andre Riddick Assistant Boys Basketball Coach
 - Robert Costen Head Girls Basketball Coach
 - Diedra House Assistant Girls Basketball Coach
 - Charlie Campbell Head Baseball Coach
 - John Long Assistant Baseball Coach

- Chris Stiles Assistant Baseball Coach
- Whitney Hobbs Head Softball Coach
- Jennifer Dail Assistant Softball Coach
- Marcus Barber Head Track Coach
- Krystal Brooks Assistant Track Coach
- Krystal Brooks Head Cheerleading Coach
- Michayla Knight Assistant Cheerleading Coach

8. <u>Resignations</u>

- Richard Barrett Math Teacher at Gates County High Effective 7-27-2017
- Heather Denny 3rd Grade Math Teacher at Gatesville Elementary
- Robert Jordan Paid Assistant Football Coach
- 9. <u>Volunteer</u>
 - Robert Jordan Assistant Football Coach

In Other Business the following items were discussed:

- The regular September session will be held at the Gates County Board of Education Central Office on Monday, September 11, 2017 with closed session beginning at 5:00 p.m. and open session at 6:00 p.m.
- All the board members will be attending the NCSBA District One Meeting in Pitt County on Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. Board members will meet at the Central Office at 2:00 p.m. on that day, to travel to Pitt County.
- Board Member Adoptive Schools are as follows:

Glendale Boone	Gatesville Elementary
Ray Felton	T.S. Cooper Elementary
Leslie Byrum	Gatesville Elementary
Claire Whitehurst	Buckland
Daniel Dickerson	Central Middle

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 10:47 a.m.