

Board Meeting Minutes Highlights
May 2, 2016

The Gates County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 2, 2016, at the Gates County Board of Education Central Office. Madam Chair Boone called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. The following board members were present: Glendale Boone, Ray Felton, Leslie Byrum, Claire Whitehurst and Dr. Daniel Dickerson.

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

There was a moment of silence followed by the Pledge to the American Flag, led by Deja Gainey.

There were no public comments.

Student Advisors Deja Gainey, Olivia Parker and Jay Brooks presented a powerpoint with Good News from the schools.

During the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Williams reported that the County Manager informed him that the budget from the county for 2016-2017 for Gates County Schools, will be \$2.7 million, which is the amount we received last year. In our budget presentation we had requested an additional \$7000.00, but the county did not approve this additional amount. Dr. Williams stated that we must continue to focus on offering the best education possible for our students. He said our staff is dedicated to this goal, and will be recognized for that dedication during this week, which is Teacher Appreciation Week.

During the Report from the Board, Mr. Byrum commented on the NCSBA Annual Conference in Boston, MA, which was attended by Dr. Williams, Mrs. Boone and Mr. Byrum. Mr. Byrum stated the conference was well attended and offered valuable information. Mrs. Boone commented that several attended Dr. Williams' and Mr. Byrum's presentation at the conference, and were complimentary of the program. Other board members commented about their attendance at school events, including the prom, and were impressed with how well behaved our students were.

Mr. Rube Blanchard gave the Financial Report for month ten, and gave a financial update on the New Beginnings Daycare.

Dr. Williams approved the following Out-Of-District requests for the 2016-2017 school year:

- Charlene Walker, for her child Harmony Gatling, to attend Buckland Elementary School
- LaShonda Norman, for her child, Diondre Watford, Jr., to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year
- Carnesha Parker, for her child, Shamira Parker, to attend Buckland Elementary School

- Elizabeth Stallings, for her child, Lillie Stallings to be released from Gates County Schools to attend Perquimans County Schools
- Jennifer Jones, for her child, Shala'Jah Stallings, to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Heather Boyd, for her children, Avery Boyd, to attend Buckland Elementary School, and Eleanor Boyd, to attend Gates County High School, pending release from Hertford County Schools
- Regina Bracy, for her children, Lance Bracy, to attend Gates County High School, and Virginia Bracy, to attend Central Middle School
- Susan Casper, for her child, Brendan Casper, to attend Central Middle School, pending release from Hertford County Schools
- Janice Askew, for her child, Kent Askew, to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School
- Jeremy & Heather Roberts, for their children, Makynley Roberts and Macy Roberts, to attend Buckland Elementary School, pending release from Hertford County Schools and payment of tuition
- Michelle Newsome, for her children, Broden Newsome and Brycen Newsome to attend Buckland Elementary School, pending release from Hertford County Schools
- April Sheets, for her child, Emma Sheets, to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Floyd and Lisa Wilkins, for their child, Noah Wilkins, to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School
- Nathan and Susan Brown, for their child, Andrew Brown, to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Juanita Thomason, for her child, Jayden Thomason, to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School

The following Agenda Items were approved:

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes - April 4, 2016 Regular Session
2. Consideration of Request for Approval of Central Middle School's Envirothon Team's Overnight Trip - Chante' Jordan
3. Consideration of Request for Approval of Central Middle School's PTA Fundraiser - Chante' Jordan
4. Consideration of Request for Approval of T.S. Cooper Elementary 2nd Grade Field Trip to the Norfolk Zoo - Jeremy Wright
5. Consideration of Request for Approval of Gatesville Elementary Kindergarten Field Trip - Scott Corrente
6. Consideration of Request for Approval of Buckland Elementary School Kindergarten Field Trip - Gail Hawkins
7. Consideration of Request for Approval of Gatesville School Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan - Scott Corrente

8. Consideration of Request for Approval To Purchase Equipment with Grant Funds - Dr. Paula Simpson
9. Consideration of Request for Approval of Gates County High School's Field Trip Requests - Tammi Ward
10. Consideration of Request for Approval of Budget Amendment No. 3 - Community Center Fund No. 7 - Rube Blanchard
11. Consideration of Request for Approval of Budget Amendment No. 4 - Federal Funds - Rube Blanchard
12. Consideration of Request for Approval of Budget Amendment No. 5 - Local Fund No. 8 - Rube Blanchard
13. Consideration of Request for Approval of Budget Amendment No. 6 - Local Fund No. 2 - Rube Blanchard
14. Consideration of Request for Approval of Budget Amendment No. 7 - State Funds - Rube Blanchard

There was no new business.

The following personnel items were approved.

1. ONE YEAR TEACHER CONTRACT RENEWALS

Heather Denny	Lauren Francis	Jacob Harrell
Laura Dickerson	Jennifer Dail	Samantha Guy
Courtney Hale	Whitney Farmer	William Jones
Crystal Lee	Donald Hudson	Renee Kittrell
Aretha Williams-Ruffin	Lauren Lilley	Odessa Bond
Lauren Bright	Danielle Richardson	Robert Lee
Hannah Szymanik	Amber Buxton	Brandon Matthews
Iben Bogues	Tracy Fletcher	Monica McPherson
Sherry Kight	Amy Hall	Randy Bratton
Kenneth Moors	Charlie Campbell	Lisa Perry
Brittany Parker	Whitney Hobbs	Tivante Reid
Amy Roth	Rachel Badgett	Teresa White
Meredith Pritchett	Alegra Boone	Natosha Fradillada
Tony Coley	Graylen Boone	Leslie Wright
Lovie Roscoe	Aaron Crofut	Angus McKellar
Michelle Newsome	Amy Moore	

2. ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT RENEWALS

Dr. Paula Simpson, Director of School Nutrition	4 Years
Trisha Walton, Assistant Principal – CMS	4 Years
Scott Corrente, Principal, Gatesville Elementary	4 Years
Jonathan Hayes, Assistant Principal – GCHS	4 Years

3. LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER
Armental Crawford – Long-Term Substitute Social Studies Teacher at Central Middle School - Replacing Janet McElfresh – Effective: 5-16-2016

4. RETIREMENT
Thomas Evans – Social Studies Teacher at Gates County High School
Effective: 7-1-2016

5. CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL COACHES
Lauren Lilley – Head Softball Coach – Replacing James Liles – *tentatively approved by Superintendent 4-6-2016*

Jennifer Dail – Assistant Softball Coach – Replacing Lauren Lilley – *tentatively approved by Superintendent 4-6-2016*

6. RESIGNATIONS
James Liles – Head Softball Coach at Central Middle School
Effective: 4-8-2016

Tivantee Reid – Head Cheerleading Coach at Gates County High School
Effective: 4-20-2016

7. SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN
TaShawne Powell

8. T. S. COOPER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TUTOR
Doretha Woods – Retired Teacher – *tentatively approved by the Superintendent 4-4-2016*

OTHER BUSINESS

- The June Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, June 6, 2016, at the Gates County Board of Education Office, beginning with Closed Session at 5:00 p.m., followed by the Open Session at 7:00 p.m. This was later changed to June 13th, 2016, at the Gates County Board of Education Office, beginning with Closed Session at 5:00 p.m., followed by the Open Session at 7:00 p.m.
- The Board set May 24th, 2016 to meet with County Commissioners beginning at 5:30 or 6:00, if agreeable with County Commissioners

There being no further business, Dr. Dickerson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Whitehurst seconded the motion and the board members approved the motion unanimously. Madam Chair Boone adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.