

Board Meeting Highlights
Regular Session
May 8, 2017

The Gates County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 8, 2017, at the Gates County Board of Education Central office. Chairman Felton called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. The following board members were present: Ray Felton, Glendale Boone, 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 6:12 p.m., with the following board members present: Ray Felton, Glendale Boone, Claire Whitehurst, and Dr. Dickerson.

Mrs. Boone made a motion to approve the agenda, with the addition of Item Number Twenty – Letter to the Gates County Commissioners regarding a \$1.5 million advance, to begin work on the Central Middle School Construction Project in the summer of 2017. 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, led by Casey Winn.

There were no items for public comment.

Student Advisor Dylan Eure provided a powerpoint with Good News from the schools.

During the Superintendent's Report, Dr. Williams commented that the prom at Gates County High School, and the Viking Ball at Central Middle School, were great, and enjoyed by all. He informed that he and Mr. Felton had met with the Architect and looked at preliminary plans for Central Middle School. They will begin to form committees in the near future to finalize plans. He congratulated Mrs. Tammy Boone upon her graduation with her Ed.S, Educational Specialist Degree and Mrs. Chante' Jordan upon her completion of the Assistant Superintendent's Cohort. Mrs. Jordan then recognized Mrs. Helen Smith, Pre-K teacher at Gatesville Elementary, for meeting fidelity criteria set forth by the NC Social and Emotional Foundations for Early Learning. This project is designed to help improve child outcomes for preschool children with disabilities, and to increase opportunities for instruction. Mrs. Smith worked diligently to complete this project, and is to be commended for her dedication. Mrs. Lisa Ward spoke about the HOSA program at the high school and their participation in the State Leadership Conference in Greensboro March 29, 2017 – April 1, 2017. Our students competed well and won many awards. Christa Bazemore served as District 1 President, and Ashley Talton served as Parliamentarian. Cole Dickerson and Ashley Talton ran for state offices. Cole won the District NC HOSA State Executive Council, which allows him to serve as the District 1 President. Ashley won the District 1 Vice President office. Mrs. Ward presented Dr. Williams with a plaque, which was presented at the state convention, for his support of the HOSA program. Mrs. Ward read the nomination letter that she and Christa Bazemore had presented.

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

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

- Sophie Parks and Liam Stallings Release to attend Edenton Chowan Schools
- Macy Roberts and Makynley Roberts to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Virginia Lynn Bracy to attend Central Middle School
- Elizabeth Clark to attend Buckland Elementary School
- William Daniel Boyce to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Jake Vernon Williams to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Michael Chase Evans to attend Gates County High School
- Emma Sheets to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Ethan Allen to attend Central Middle School
- Jamison Slaughter to attend Gatesville Elementary School
- Brycen Newsome to attend Central Middle School & Broden Newsome to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Ayden Wright to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School & Madison Weatherly to attend Gates County High School
- Carson Revelle Saunders to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School
- Logan Harders to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Dustin Matthew Kirby to attend Gates County High School
- Christopher Glenn Nelson & Thomas Dalton Nelson to attend Central Middle School
- Sarah Hewitt to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School
- Brendan Casper to attend Central Middle School
- Sela McNair and Zaria McNair to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Kamryn Riddick to attend Buckland Elementary School
- Macadam Allen Brock to complete 2016-2017 school year at T.S. Cooper Elementary School
- Noah Wilkins to attend T.S. Cooper Elementary School

There was no Unfinished Business.

Mr. Felton read the letter from the Gates County Board of Education to the Gates County Commissioners that was added as Item Number Twenty to the Consent Agenda. The letter stated the board is looking for ways to expedite the construction and renovation process at Central Middle School, to minimize cost and disruption to instruction time for the students. The Gates County Board of Education is requesting a \$1,500,000.00 advance on the \$8 million allotted for this project, to begin demolition and renovation in the summer of 2017.

The following Consent Agenda Items were approved:

1. Approval of Minutes - April 10, 2017 Regular Session
2. 2017-2018 Career and Technical Education Local Planning System
3. Denny Fundraiser to be held on Gatesville Elementary School Campus
4. Gatesville Elementary School's Student Council/Beta Club Fundraiser
5. Gatesville Elementary School Dance May 12, 2017 and Movie Night May 26, 2017
6. T.S. Cooper Field Trip to Norfolk Zoo on May 4, 2017
7. CMS 6th Grade Field Trip to the Outer Banks 6-8-17
8. CMS 7th Grade Field Trip to the Outer Banks 6-6-17
9. CMS 8th Grade Field Trip to Busch Gardens 6-7-17
10. GCHS Agriculture/Family Consumer Science Out-of-State Trip to Horton's Nursery, Suffolk, VA
11. GCHS Band to attend Band Camp at Chowan College July 24-27, 2017
12. GCHS FFA Trip to FFA State Convention in Raleigh, NC June 20-22, 2017
13. GCHS FCA to attend Football Camp in Mt. Olive, NC June 26-28, 2017
14. GCHS HOSA Club to attend National Conference in Orlando, FL June 18-25, 2017
15. Budget Amendment No. 4 - Local Fund No. 8
16. Budget Amendment No. 4 - Local Fund No. 2
17. Budget Amendment No. 6 - Federal Funds
18. Budget Amendment No. 8 - State Funds
19. Consideration of Request For Approval of Resolution for Construction Manager at Risk for Central Middle School
20. Letter to Gates County Commissioners requesting \$1,500,000.00 Advance to begin construction/renovation of Central Middle School

The following personnel recommendations were approved: (Dr. Dickerson abstained from voting due to family interest)

1. ONE YEAR CONTRACTS

Continuing License

Elementary K-6:

Lauren S. Bright – Buckland
Michelle Newsome – Buckland
Heather Denny – Gatesville Elementary
Laura Dickerson – Gatesville Elementary
Crystal Lee – Gatesville Elementary
Mae Rose – Gatesville Elementary
Iben Bogues – T.S. Cooper
Kenneth Moors – T.S. Cooper
Jean Nistler – T. S. Cooper
Brittany Parker – T.S. Cooper
Meredith Pritchett – T.S. Cooper
Lovie Roscoe – T.S. Cooper
Mary Saunders– T.S. Cooper

Central Middle School:

Stacey Bisignano – Social Studies
Jennifer Dail - Math
Whitney Farmer – Language Arts
Amy Hall – Social Studies
Lori Harders - Science
Donald Hudson - Science
Christina Hutchinson - Math
Robert Lee - Math
Salome Randolph – Social Studies
Megan Somers - Math

Gates County High School:

Rachel Badgett – Science
Alegrea Boone – Language Arts
Graylen Boone – Science
Aaron Crofut – Social Studies
Lauren Francis – Math
William Jones – Social Studies
Renee Kittrell – Science
Monica McPherson – Alternative School
Janie Perry – Spanish
Lisa Perry – Math

Health/PE:

Lauren Lilley – Central Middle School
Jacob Harrell – Gates County High School
Leslie Wright – Gates County High School

Exceptional Children:

Teresa White – Central Middle School/Buckland
Phillipa Smith – Gates County High School
Odessa Williams – Gates County High School

CTE:

Whitney Hobbs – Central Middle School
Hope Melton – Central Middle School
Ann Brinkley – Gates County High School
Brandon Matthews – Gates County High School
Amy Moore – Gates County High School/Central Middle School

Arts:

Suzanne Newbern – Gatesville Elementary
Samantha Guy – Gates County High School

Initial License

Exceptional Children:

Norine Edwards - Central Middle School

Lateral Entry

High School:

Nina Boyce – Language Arts

Beginning Teachers

Elementary K-6:

Hannah Szymanik – Gatesville Elementary

Taylor Gurganus – T.S. Cooper

Jennifer Miller – T.S. Cooper

Central Middle School:

Stacy Unger – Science

Gates County High School:

Rhae Allyn – Social Studies

Richard Barrett – Math

Chad Fleming – Spanish

Angus McKellar – Social Studies

Exceptional Children:

Amy Roth – T.S. Cooper

Health/PE:

Charlie Campbell - Central Middle School

Guidance

Ebony Copeland-McNair (Provisional License) – Buckland

Natosha Lucas (Continuing License) – Gates County High School

Marvalene Mouzon (Continuing License) – Central Middle School

Aretha Williams-Ruffin (Initial License) – Gatesville Elementary

2. **SUBSTITUTE TEACHER**

- Gabrielle Harrell

3. **TRANSFERS**

NAME	FROM WHERE	TO	EFFECTIVE DATE
Timothy Jordan	Substitute Bus Driver	Temporary Driver in morning only at Buckland to replace resignation of Penny Pittman	April 10, 2017
Aretha Hart	Bus Driver GCHS	Substitute List	May 8, 2017
Ann Harrell	CDC	CTE Coordinator/CDC to replace Jennifer Hill	July 1, 2017
David Brown	Volunteer Softball Coach at GCHS	Assistant Softball Coach at GCHS	May 8, 2017

Schardi Beasley	Substitute Driver	Bus No. 83 Replace Jennifer Odom	May 4, 2017
Laura Dickerson	2 nd Teacher at GES	Media Specialist Buckland Elementary	July 1, 2017

4. RESIGNATIONS

- Aretha Hart – Bus Driver at GCHS – Effective 5-8-17
- Jennifer Odom – Bus Driver at TSC – Effective 5-2-17
- Sarah Williams – School Nutrition Manager at GES – Effective 9-5-17

In Other Business the following items were discussed:

- The June regular session board meeting will be held on Monday, June 5, 2017, at Gatesville Elementary School, to accommodate visitors for the retirement recognition. Closed Session will begin at 5:00 p.m., followed by an open session at 6:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Mrs. Boone made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Dickerson seconded the motion, and board members approved the motion unanimously. Chairman Felton adjourned the meeting at 6:50.