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WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPEN MINUTES – BOARD MEETING
February 5, 2002

Board Members Present:

Kathryn Watson Quigg, Chair	Patti Head
Susan Parry, Vice Chair	Amy White
Beverley Clark	Tom Oxholm
Bill Fletcher	Jeff York
Rosa Gill	

Staff Members Present:

Bill McNeal, Superintendent	
Jo Baker	Cindi Jolly
Karen Banks	Ray Massey
Brenda Barker	Toni Patterson
Danny Barnes	John Ringo
Maurice Boswell	Janice Shearin
Del Burns	Stella Shelton
Mike Burriss	Walt Sherlin
Ann Hooker	Jonibel Willis
Linda Isley	

Board Attorney Present:

Ann Majestic

Kathryn Watson Quigg called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

INFORMATION

Chairman's Comments

- *Kathryn reminded everyone to sign up for "Read Across America"*
- *Attended a presentation at the Chamber of Commerce with Wake Education Partnership. Updated information was presented about Leandro Litigation case.*
- *Attended the National Board Certified Teacher's Reception at the North Raleigh Hilton. Wake County is 3rd in the nation of National Board Certified Teachers.*
- *Susan Parry, Beverley Clark and Kathryn attended the Musical of "Tom Sawyer" at Washington Elementary School.*
- *Patti Head attended the Leesville High School Symphonic Band Concert.*
- *Dr. Tim Hart, Senior Administration for ESL; Dr. Valeria Brown, V.P. of Programs Wake Education Partnership; Cecilia Rawlins, Principal of Wiley Magnet Elementary School; Tricia Muns, Math teacher, East Wake Middle School Judy _____, Guidance Counselor, Wiley Elementary School; and Kathryn Watson Quigg, Board Member Chair gave a presentation on their trip to Mexico. This information will help Wake County better*

understand the culture of Mexico. One point the group brought out in their presentation was the “greatest distance between people is not space “it’s culture.”

Superintendent’s Report

- *Wake Leadership Academy in collaboration with Wake County Public School and North Carolina State University announces a new program call “Leaders for a New Millennium.” This program will begin in the fall of 2002. Applicant must apply to and be accepted by both North Carolina State University and the Wake County Public School System.*
- *The Applicants that will participate in a degree program that has been developed after visiting some of the most outstanding administrative degree program in the country.*
- *Will participate as a member of the select cohort of educators working within Wake County Public Schools, facilitating the examination of common professional experiences and educational challenges.*
- *Will have course examples and required activities customized to reflect the needs and issues of the Wake County Public Schools.*
- *Will receive priority in filling supervised administrative internships available within the Wake County Public Schools.*
- *Will have 50% of tuition reimburses by the Wake Leadership Academy.*
- *Will be offered professional experiences and opportunities beyond the normal MSA program because of the support of the Wake Leadership Academy.*
- *Will build strong professional and personal ties with colleagues.*
- *Will learn the program content through multiple teaching approaches.*
- *Persons accepted into the program are expected to: Complete the program; maintain a 3.0 GPA, maintain good academic standing, complete at least two years of employment with WCPSS following program completion. Student will not be reimbursed tuition cost for any semester that they fail to maintain a 3.0 GPA.*
- *The WCPSS Magnet Fair was held on Saturday, February 2 at Southeast Raleigh High. Over 5,000 people were in attendance. The parents, guardance could view exhibits, demonstration and booths. The Magnet schools perform throughout the day.*
- *The magnet application process was discussed.*
- *Parents were able meet with principals, representatives from student assignment and transportation to have any questions answered.*
- *Eight Magnet schools applied for the Merit Awards, Six (6) schools were recognized.*

<u><i>Magnet School of Excellence</i></u>	<u><i>Magnet School of Distinguished</i></u>
<i>Washington Elementary School</i>	<i>A.B. Combs Elementary School</i>
<i>Ligon Middle Schools</i>	<i>East Millbrook Middle School</i>
<i>Farmington Wood Elementary School</i>	<i>Lincoln Heights Elementary School</i>

RECOGNITION

Athena Kellogg, Senior Administrator for High School Mathematic recognized Wake County Public School Student winners at the NSCU Mathematic Competition. They are as followed:

Mathematic Award Team Winner

– 1st place Enloe High School

Individual Winners

1st Place – Nan Gao, Leesville High School

2nd Place- Ryan Yoakum, Enloe Highs School

3rd Place- Brendan Shields, Enloe High School

4th Place- Helen Nie- Enloe High School

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Tom Oxholm made a motion to approve the meeting agenda, seconded by Bill Fletcher. The vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARING

Julie M. Nau, President Wake NCAE- strongly urges the WCPSS Board of Education to include the proposed 2 percent supplement increase in its budget request to the County Commissioners to increase teacher's salary. This will help WCPSS retain dedicated, quality educators.

CONSENT ITEMS

Bill Fletcher made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Amy White. The vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 15, 2002 – Community Relations Committee
 December 18, 2001 – Program Committee
 November 13, 2001 – Human Resources Committee
 December 11, 2001 – Human Resources Committee
 January 15, 2001 – Human Resources Committee
 December 4, 2001 – Policy Committee
 January 15, 2002 – Finance Committee
 September 4, 2001 – Board Meeting

FACILITIES

Contract Amendments: PYA Monarch - Frozen, Canned and Miscellaneous Food

Child Nutrition recommended two amendments to the current contract with PYA Monarch to: (1) add \$450,000 to the contract estimate for the period July 1, 2001 through January 31, 2002 and (2) extend the term of the contract from February 1, 2002 through July 31, 2002. The original estimated amount of this unit-price contract anticipated the delivery of USDA commodities in September 2001, that did not actually arrive until December 2001. This delay increased the amount of purchases required from PYA Monarch for the first half of the fiscal year by approximately \$450,000. Continuation of the contract for the second half of the fiscal year is based upon price increases for only 20 items out of a total of 278 items. Fiscal Implications - Funds are available in the 2001-2002 current expense budget.

Dedication of Right-Of-Way and Utility Easements: Knightdale High, Elementary and Community Park

The Town of Knightdale and the North Carolina Department of Transportation require the dedication of a right-of-way five feet in width along Horton Road and Old Knight Road with an additional twenty-foot wide dedication on Forestville Road to serve the new high school, elementary school, and Community Park. Two fifty-foot wide right-of-way dedications are required for interior public roads from Horton Road and Old Knight Road. A utility easement to provide sewer and water service on the site is also required, ranging in width from twenty feet to forty.

Utility Easement – Athens Drive High Renovations

Renovations at Athens Drive High include installation of underground communications cables provided by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. BellSouth requires an easement ten (10) feet wide on the Athens Drive campus to install and maintain these underground cables. Fiscal Implications - None. Recommendation for Action - Staff recommends board approval of a utility easement to BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ten feet wide to allow installation and maintenance of underground communications cables.

FINANCE

Change Order 1: Paragon Computer Professionals, Inc. 2001-02 Service Agreement

Technology Services entered a contract with Paragon in July 2001 to receive contracted DBA services in support of applications associated with HR/Payroll, Finance/Accounting and NCWise functions. Initial amount of contract was \$81,500 for services to be provided through December 31, 2001. There is a need to retain said services through June 30, 2002. Change order will extend contract end date and increase funding \$59,000, which will bring the total amount of contract to \$140,500. Fiscal Implications: Amount of change order is \$59,000. Funding for contracted services was identified and planned for during the 2001-02 fiscal year. Funding is available through the Technology Services Division current expense budget.

IBM Lease: Upgrade To Rs/6000 Boxes

This is a new 3-year lease to upgrade both AIX boxes, which house all the new Oracle business applications. Current S70 boxes will be upgraded to S80 boxes and one additional tape drive will be installed in each. The new S80 boxes will increase speed and reliability as well as provide redundancy, significantly reducing the chance of down time or loss of data. By locking in pricing as an upgrade instead of purchasing new equipment, WCPSS is able to save approximately \$113,000 in equipment and installation services costs. Three annual payments of \$289,378 will be made for a total of \$868,134. First payment will be made in August 2002. Resolution presented to County Commissioners for approval on February 4. Fiscal Implications: Total amount of lease is \$868,134. Funding is being planned for and will be available in the Technology Services Division current expense budget in the 2002-03 fiscal year. Funding will also be earmarked in the 2003-04 and 2004-05 fiscal year's current expense budget.

Budget Amendments And Transfers, 2001-2002

To report changes in the budget resolution resulting from transactions processed during October – December 2001. Fiscal Implications:

Adjust State Public School Fund	+	\$	6,349,113
Adjust Local Current Expense Fund	+	\$	5,343,864
Adjust Federal Programs Fund	+	\$	18,434,768
Adjust Capital Outlay Fund	+	\$	35,689,165
Adjust Multiple Enterprise Fund	-	\$	522,189
Net Changes	+	\$	65,294,721

Authorization Forms

These authorization forms designate the persons authorized to sign vouchers for the payment of money on behalf of Athens Drive High and Farmington Woods Elementary. Fiscal Implications: These authorization forms are required for bank records.

PROGRAM

Grant Proposals

Competitive (#622): Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, Inc. / Davis Drive Middle School.

Competitive (#623): Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, Inc. / Central Office. Fiscal implications vary by grant. Staff recommends that the board approve the applications.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Recommendation for Employment (Exhibit A)

COMMITTEE CHAIRS' REPORTS

Policy Committee

The committee is still receiving and reviewing input from the community on the dress code and plans to report on this issue in April. The topic of study on School Naming and Building Naming was discussed and reviewed.

Facilities Committee

The committee reviewed the information on the sale of the Carver Elementary School site and the schedule for installation of rubberized athletic track surfacing for High Schools. Middle Schools will not be done in the Plan 2000 budget.

ACTION ITEMS

PROGRAM

Additional Inclement Weather Days for 2001-2002 Traditional Instructional Calendar

The snow storm of early January 2002 has depleted the approved inclement weather days included in the 2001-2002 traditional instructional calendar; therefore, the administration is requesting the Board's consideration and approval days to be identified for use, as needed, for further inclement weather. We recommended the following days in the order listed:

Thursday, May 30 (currently a teacher workday)

Monday, April 1 (currently a vacation day)

Friday, May 31 (not currently designated)

Monday, March 25 (currently a vacation day)

Tuesday, March 26 (currently a vacation day)

Wednesday, March 27 (currently a vacation day)

Thursday, March 28 (currently a vacation day)

Fiscal Implications-Unknown. Recommendation for Action-Request the Board's approval

Rosa Gill made a motion to approve, seconded by Patti R. Head. The vote was unanimous.

FINANCE

Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Raleigh and The Wake County Board of Education

Sessions Laws of 2001 (Chapter 286) granted the City of Raleigh authority to operate a system of cameras to monitor and control violations of traffic control devices at intersections in the city and to levy fines for such violations. The law further states that such fines be paid to the Wake County Schools. The City of Raleigh provides a number of services to the Board that are not traditional city services. The City and the board are entering this interlocal agreement to formalize their agreement of the use of clear proceeds to be derived from enforcement of these efforts authorized by Chapter 286. Fiscal Implications- Anticipated proceeds have been estimated between \$500,000 and one million dollars. **(Exhibit B)**

Tom Oxholm made a motion to approve, seconded by Beverley Clark. The vote was unanimous.

FACILITIES

Construction Documents: Cary Elementary Addition and Renovations

Construction documents for Cary Elementary PLAN 2000 addition and renovations, designed by DTW Architects and Planners, LTD, will be presented for board approval. Fiscal Implications - Funds are available from the total project budget of \$11,232,092, as provided in the PLAN 2000 School Building Program.

Beverly Clark made a motion to approve, seconded by Tom Oxholm. The vote was unanimous.

INFORMATION

LEGISLATIVE

Proposed Legislative Agenda for 2002

The proposed 2002 legislative agenda was reviewed by the Legislative Committee of the school system and was presented as a information item. **(Exhibit C)**

FINANCE

Mid-Year Budget Update

The Analysis of Potential Changes in Budget summary details savings, projected costs, and a potential net cost to be covered during the year. The status of the actual-to-projected expenditures at mid-year was presented. **(Exhibit D)**

PROGRAM

Assignment of New Subdivisions to Schools

Staff presented recommendations for the following subdivisions: Town Hall Place and Downing Glen (phase 4). Transportation costs will increase due to travel distance. Other facilities related costs would be avoided. **(Exhibit E)**

Break at 5:45 p.m.

The Board reconvened into open session at 6:35 p.m.

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS

Fifteen students were recognized as Spotlight on Students award winners. They are...

Christine Pilato, Adams Elementary

Michelle Erin Pujals, Brooks Elementary

Robert J. Harper, Centennial Middle

Christine E. Chen, Fuller Elementary

Mozelle Hatton, Hilburn Elementary

Adrian A.J. Bragg, Middle Creek Elementary

Rebecca Young, Partnership Elementary

Adam Clark, Wakefield High

Tyler E. Kessler, Baileywick Elementary

Jacob F. Gunnells, Broughton High School

E. Jhovani Espinal, Fox Road Elementary

Thomas S. Wilkins, Green Hope High School

Karmel P. Pitt, Martin Middle

James Gregory Allen, Oak Grove Elementary

Ashley Moore, Rolesville Elementary

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Kathryn Watson Quigg adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Elwanda K. Farrow, Recording Secretary

Bill McNeal, Superintendent, WCPSS

Kathryn Watson Quigg, Chair

