



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
NMEETING MINUTES
February 19, 2008**

<u>Board Members Present</u>	<u>Staff Members Present</u>	
Rosa Gill, Chair	Superintendent Del Burns	Donna Hargens
Beverley Clark, Vice Chair	Terri Cobb	Don Haydon
Eleanor Goettee	Danny Barnes	David Holdzkom
Patti Head	Maurice Boswell	Ann Hooker
Anne McLaurin	Mike Burriss	David Neter
Lori Millberg	Kathy Chontos	Bev White
Horace Tart	Marvin Connelly	Jonibel Willis
	Chuck Dulaney	Mark Winters
	Michael Evans	<u>Board Attorney</u>
	Lloyd Gardner	Ann Majestic

Chair Gill called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair's Comments

- On February 7, 2008, Ms. Gill attended a meeting for new National Board Certified Teachers. Several other Board members were in attendance and included Beverley Clark, Eleanor Goettee, Horace Tart, and Kevin Hill. Chair Gill and Mrs.Goettee were speakers at the event. The National Board Certification process is very rigorous. Chair Gill thanked the teachers for their extra efforts on behalf of the children in WCPSS.
- On February 8, 2008, Chair Gill attended the Wake Education Partnership Board of Directors Meeting. Superintendent Burns presented information related to the Curriculum Management Audit and did a wonderful job. The response to the presentation was very positive. Chair gill thanked the Wake Education Partnership for the opportunity.
- On February 13, 2008, Chair Gill attended a meeting sponsored by the News and Observer. The purpose of the meeting was to meet with the Editorial Board to discuss a recent paper released by Wake Education Partnership addressing diversity. Chair Gill thanked Ann Denlinger and her staff for their support.
- Chair Gill reminded Board members of the Joint Meeting with County Commissioners on Wednesday, February 20.
- Chair Gill shared that the Board of Education has been revising their Education Policy Work Plan and have combined the previous plan with recommendations form the CFAC Report and the Curriculum Management Audit. Chair Gill thanked the Board members for their commitment and support to the process.

- Chair Gill reminded the Board that Wake Education Partnership will be sponsoring an education forum on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 at the McKimmon Center from 7:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Superintendent's Comments

- On February 7, 2008, the National Board Certified Teacher Recognition Program was held at the North Raleigh Hilton. In December, WCPSS had 169 teachers and counselors who received National Board Certification. With a total of 1,259 National Board certified teachers, WCPSS employs the second largest number of certified educators in the nation behind Broward County, Florida. Superintendent Burns congratulated each teacher and counselor for their commitment and dedication to their profession, the district, and to all of the students. Dr. Burns thanked Chair Gill, Vice Chair Beverley Clark, Eleanor Goette, Horace Tart, Paige Elliot, the WCPSS Teacher of the Year, the Leadership Team members, Maurice Boswell and HR for their efforts in supporting National Board Certification. Dr. Burns extended a special thank you to Carol Ann Wade. Her commitment to the program has made a difference for the teachers in WCPSS.
- In recognition of African-American History month, Ann Rollins and the Parent Liaisons in collaboration with the School Community Helping Hands Program presented a program entitled, "Commemorating Our African-American Heritage." The program was held on Saturday, February 9, at Ligon Middle School. The program was well attended and received by all participants.
- The Regional Science Olympiad was held on Saturday, February 9, 2008 at Garner High School. Over 2,000 people were in attendance. Dr. Burns thanked the 100 volunteers, the Central Services Staff, and the staff at Garner High School for their commitment to make the activity a success.
- Dr. Burns congratulated Maria Rosa Rangel who has been selected to represent WCPSS on the Mexican Council Advisory Board. Ms. Rangel will be one of 54 Latino community leaders serving on the Board.
- On February 13, Dr. Burns had the opportunity to speak to the Wake County NCAE Delegation at the request of Jennifer Lanane. The topic of discussion was the "Status of the Achievement Gap". Following the presentation, the delegation discussed possible strategies for addressing the achievement gap. Dr. Burns thanked Ms. Lanane for the invitation to speak to the delegation and is anticipating his return within a few months to discuss the issue further.
- February is National Career and Technical Education Month. Throughout the month, Instructional Services has recognized the contributions of CTE teachers, Career Development Coordinators, Career Academy Coordinators, Special Populations Coordinators, and CTE Central Services staff members, along with the accomplishments of students. Currently, over 530 CTE teachers, Career Development Coordinators, and Special Populations Coordinators serve over 64,280 students in all WCPSS middle and high schools. Of those, 76 of the CTE teachers are certified by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.
- The North Carolina Accountability Conference, sponsored by the Accountability Department of NC DPI, was held in Greensboro, NC on February 11-13, 2008.

Presentations on a variety of topics ranging from PLC research to school accountability were provided by members of the Evaluation and Research Department, which included Anne-Sylvie Boykin, Glenda Haynie, Rosemary Reichstetter, and Brad McMillen. Melinda Stephani, Senior Administrator for Social Studies, and Glenda Haynie, provided a presentation on a US History study.

- Dr. Hargens and Tom Huffstetler, Senior Administrator of Second Languages, attended the first Chinese New Year Gala on February 10, 2008. The event was sponsored by the newly formed Chinese Language and Culture Task Force.
- Maurice Moore, Senior Administrator, School Community Helping Hands, and Maria Rosa Rangel, Senior Administrator, Hispanic/Latino Outreach, will both present at the Raising Achievement and Closing the Gap Conference in April. Maurice Moore will present a session entitled “The Art of Mentoring”, and Maria Rosa Rangel will present two sessions, entitled “Hispanic/Latino Awareness” and “What is bilingual education?” Over 200 concurrent sessions have been scheduled for the event with presenters throughout North Carolina and the nation.
- Judy Williams, Director of Extended Learning/Outreach Services, Tracy Moseley, Administrator for ALP, and Toni Cooper, Administrator for Volunteers/Gifts to the system will present at the NCASA Conference in March. Their presentation is entitled, “Community Collaborations That Support Student Success.” The presentation will highlight Community ALP, Math Mentoring, and Students Online for Success.
- A mini Health Fair was held at 3600 Wake Forest Road on February 8, 2008. The fair included diabetes screening, blood pressure checks, healthy cooking demonstrations, and fitness testing. Two more are scheduled, one at Crossroads, and another at Rock Quarry. The events are a part of the Changing Hearts Program that is being held throughout the month of February for WCPSS students and staff. Dr. Burns thanked Kelly Creech and her staff for their work in organizing a number of activities to celebrate the event.

Board Member’s Comments

- Ms. Clark shared her concern regarding a headline in the newspaper that said “trust us”. Ms. Clark stated that decisions made by the Board are based on data and research that is conducted locally and nationally.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Eleanor Goettee asked to move Instructional Program Item #1, Shaw University Center for Early Childhood Education, Development and Research from the Consent Agenda to the Action Agenda.

Beverley Clark made a motion to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Patti Head. The motion was unanimously approved.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. 2008 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

The 2008 Legislative Agenda has been reviewed by the Legislative Committee and is being presented for information. Fiscal Implications: Undetermined at this time.
Recommendation for Action: Information at this time.

Susan Harrison presented the 2008 Legislative Agenda to the Board. Ms. Clark inquired as to why the increasing cap and per pupil funding for students identified as academically gifted to provide more resources was not listed as an unfunded mandate. Ms. Harrison stated that it was listed as a separate category under special programs with state-identified students with disabilities. Previously, the two were combined. At the suggestion of the Legislative Committee, it was recommended to separate them for more emphasis. Ms. Millberg suggested that staff highlight and bold the state-identified students with disabilities and the academically gifted students.

2. REPORT CONCERNING WATER AND ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES BEING TAKEN WITHIN WAKE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Share information on utility conservation initiatives incorporated in construction projects, maintenance practices and classroom curriculum. Fiscal Implications: None.
Recommendation for Action: None, as this item is presented for information only.

Larry Marynak presented information to the Board on utility conservation initiatives. Mr. Marynak shared that last year, WCPSS spent \$2.2 million on water alone, which equates to 227 million gallons of water, with 29 million gallons being used for irrigation. Currently, WCPSS is using 8.7 gallons of water per day including staff and students. If you include irrigation, 9.9 gallons of water is used per student and staff per day. WCPSS is doing the following to comply with Stage 2 Water Restrictions.

1. Ceased outside water irrigation
2. Ordered 4,500 low-flow water restrictors (3% savings in water usage)
3. Ceased vehicle and bus washing
4. Introduced the S.W.A.T. Team through Energy Savers (Student Water Audit Team)
5. Upcoming meeting with 21st Century Learning Group to implement water conservation through Character Education
6. Researching design guidelines and being specific regarding water reducing devices
7. Researching opportunities to reuse water within the school system
8. Installed waterless urinals (1.2 million gallons a year savings)
9. Installed 3 water systriens (rain water is collected off of roofs and the water is re-used to flush commodes or for irrigation)- (1.1 million gallon savings)
10. Drought-tolerate planting and use of mulch in plant bedding
11. Installed small PV systems and solar water heaters
12. Cafeterias have continued use of disposable plates and silver to reduce dishwashing

Board members asked clarifying questions regarding water and energy conservation measures with Mr. Marynak responding appropriately.

3. MIDDLE SCHOOL DATA TEAMS

A key strategy that has the potential to impact improvement of learning and teaching is the development and implementation over the last three years of data teams at the middle school level throughout the district. Data teams at traditional calendar schools are

comprised of the Principal, IRT, and three teachers. At year-round calendar schools, the data teams are comprised of the Principal, IRT and one teacher from each track for a total of four. The teachers on all teams are designated by their principal and are usually chosen based on their willingness to make data-driven decisions and their ability to share information with other staff members. Although individual data teams may look different, on a district level all middle school curriculum areas are represented. All data teams will meet together six times during the 2007-08 school year with the middle school staff. The focus is to provide the opportunity for district-wide data driven discussion and problem-solving. Topics are chosen based on feedback from principals and teachers with the district goals in mind. The individual schools then have the opportunity to meet and discuss how they can apply the information to their particular school's needs. Fiscal Implications: Not applicable. Recommendation for Action: This item is presented for information.

Donna Hargens introduced the Middle School Team which included, Kristin Hellier, Coordinating Teacher for Middle School Science, Sarah Jordan, Coordinating Teacher for Middle School Language Arts, Susan Shell, Coordinating Teacher for Middle School Math, Abbey Stotsenburg, Coordinating Teacher for Middle School Social Studies, Crystal Reardon, Senior Administrator, Middle School Language Arts, and Christina Zukowski, Senior Administrator, Middle School Math, who presented information to the Board.

Board members asked clarifying questions regarding the data teams and all that they encompass with the data team responding appropriately.

PUBLIC COMMENT – 4 P.M.

Citizens who signed up to address the board during public comment will be called on in priority order first for items on the agenda and then for items not on the agenda. Each individual speaker will be allowed three minutes for remarks. Issues or concerns involving personnel matters are not appropriate for this public comment setting. After 30 minutes of public comment, any speakers remaining will be recognized at the end of the agenda for their comments.

- **Jennifer Lanane (Wake NCAE President)** - spoke regarding granting class-size waivers for K-3. Ms. Lanane is not in favor of allowing over-sized classrooms or allowing Wake County to not follow the state law. Ms. Lanane applauded the Board's willingness to shed light on a state-wide issue. Ms. Lanane requested that the Board allocate additional teacher hours and months to the affected schools and to allow principals and their leadership team to figure out the best solution for their school at this time in the school year.
- **Ann Rouleau (parent)** – Requested that at the Joint Meeting with the County Commissioners on February 20, consider discussing opening 2008 elementary schools on a traditional calendar.

CONSENT ITEMS

Beverly Clark made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Lori Millberg. The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

September 6, 2007	-	Board of Education Work Session Minutes
November 7, 2007	-	Community Relations Committee Minutes
January 25, 2008	-	Board of Education Work Session Minutes
January 28, 2008	-	Board of Education Work Session Minutes
February 5, 2008	-	Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
February 5, 2008	-	Board of Education Meeting Minutes

FINANCE

1. AUTHORIZATION FORMS

These authorization forms designate the persons authorized to sign vouchers for the payment of money on behalf of Zebulon Middle School. Fiscal Implications: These authorization forms are required for bank records. Recommendation for Action: Approval of Authorization Forms.

2. REPORT OF ADMINISTRATION APPROVED CONTRACTS

The attached summaries are provided as information in accordance with Board Policy 8361. The summaries list all change orders, and contracts having a value greater than \$50,000 and not over \$100,000, and purchase orders in excess of \$250,000 for January 2008. Fiscal Implications: Not applicable. Recommendation for Action: Not applicable.

FACILITIES

1. APEX ELEMENTARY – COMPUTER AND EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

In 1991 the Board accepted a gift from an anonymous donor of 6.261 acres located at McGregor Park, Cary, North Carolina. The terms of the gift required that the net proceeds from the sale are used for the capital needs of Apex Elementary. The surplus property was sold in 1999, netting proceeds of \$330,000 with which an interest-bearing Special Anonymous Gift Fund was established. Apex Elementary has previously used \$45,566 of the funds to supplement playground construction in 2003 and is now requesting \$185,771.02 for the purchase of equipment to enhance and update the school's current technology to support educational programs, including: computers, a digital camera, an interactive whiteboard, digital storage flash drives, equipment storage units, and equipment charging carts. Fiscal Implications: Disbursement of \$185,771.02 from the Anonymous Gift Fund balance of \$329,147.73 will leave a balance of \$143,376.71. Recommendation for Action: Staff requests Board approval.

2. MATERIALS TESTING SERVICES: LACY ELEMENTARY

Negotiations have been completed with Froehling & Robertson, Inc., to provide construction materials testing and inspection services for Lacy Elementary School, in an amount not to exceed \$145,150, in accordance with the Master Geotechnical, Material Testing, Special Inspections, and/or Wetland Delineation Services Agreement. Fiscal Implications: Funding is available from the total project budget of \$21,781,995, of which \$525,000 is from PLAN 2004 and \$21,256,995 is from CIP 2006. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

3. PRELIMINARY CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENT APPROVAL & PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE: HOLLY GROVE MIDDLE SCHOOL (M-9)

Staff has reviewed preliminary construction documents prepared by Skinner, Lamm & Highsmith, P.A., for construction of Holly Grove Middle School. In order to meet the tight construction schedule needed to complete this project for a 2010 school opening, it is proposed to advertise an early steel bid package, before completion of the total design package. Staff has reviewed the construction documents for this early bid package and requests Board approval and authorization to advertise. Staff will present the award of these contracts to the Board for approval on April 22, 2008.

Staff also requests Board approval and authorization to advertise for the remaining project packages upon completion of design and satisfactory review by staff. Staff will bring these packages to the Board for approval after receipt of bids. Fiscal Implications: Funding is available from the total project budget of \$42,632,409, all of which is from CIP 2006. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

4. PRELIMINARY CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENT APPROVAL & PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE: MILLS PARK MIDDLE SCHOOL (M-10)

Staff has reviewed preliminary construction documents prepared by Skinner, Lamm & Highsmith, P.A., for construction of Mills Park Middle School. In order to meet the tight construction schedule needed to complete this project for a 2010 school opening, it is proposed to advertise an early steel bid package, before completion of the total design package. Staff has reviewed the construction documents for this early bid package and requests Board approval and authorization to advertise. Staff will present the award of these contracts to the Board for approval on April 22, 2008.

Staff also requests Board approval and authorization to advertise for the remaining project packages upon completion of design and satisfactory review by staff. Staff will bring these packages to the Board for approval after receipt of bids. Fiscal Implications: Funding is available from the total project budget of \$42,651,428, all of which is from CIP 2006. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

5. CHANGE ORDER NO. GC-02: LAKE MYRA ELEMENTARY (E-34)

Board approval is requested for Change Order No. GC-02 to Clancy & Theys Construction Company for their Construction Management at Risk contract for construction of the new Lake Myra Elementary School in Wendell. This change order, in the amount of \$15,299,644, is to establish a guaranteed maximum price (GMP) for the construction of this project. A list of bid packages is attached. The total GMP for this project is \$17,311,669. This GMP includes \$167,900 for development of multi-purpose fields on adjacent Wake County Parks' property, which will be funded by Wake County and the Town of Wendell. This change order also modifies the contract to use reimbursable general conditions instead of lump sump general conditions, in addition to changing retainage from 10% to 5%, in accordance with the recent legislation. Fiscal Implications: Funding is available from the total project budget of \$22,925,641, of which \$22,746,541 is from CIP 2006, \$95,150 is from Wake County PROS (Parks, Recreation, and Open Space funding), and \$83,950 is from the Town of Wendell. A future reallocation of \$1,052,585 will be made to the Reserve fund. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

1. CONTRACT WITH SOUTHEAST FAMILY SERVICES (FORMERLY SHIGLEY FAMILY SERVICES)

Two hundred (200) evaluations were included in the original Southeast Family Services (formerly Shigley Family Services) contract. This amendment will allow us to add fourteen (14) additional preschool evaluations. Fiscal Implications: We are increasing the current contract by \$21,000.00 making the total contract amount \$321,000.00. Funding is available in the Special Education Services' budget for this increase. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

2. GRANT PROPOSALS

- Competitive (#1217): RGK Foundation / Individual Schools.
- Competitive (#1218): State Farm Insurance Companies / Individual Schools.

Fiscal Implications: Any required cash and/or in-kind matching contributions vary by grant program. Recommendation for Action: Staff is requesting Board approval.

HUMAN RESOURCES

1. RECOMMENDATION FOR CAREER STATUS

COMMITTEE CHAIR'S REPORT

Ms. Head shared that the Community Relations Committee met on Wednesday, February 13, 2008, from 10:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon. A very lively discussion took place regarding two initiatives that the Communications Department has taken on, the Curriculum Management Audit, and the Superintendent's Plan for Student Success. The feedback that is received from the committee will help to shape and implement ideas for the Superintendent's Plan for Student Success and will be helpful in implementing the recommendations from the CMA. The next Community Relations meeting will be held on March 12.

Mr. Tart shared that the Facilities Committee met on February 12, 2008, at 9:30 a.m. The committee discussed the status of the Interlocal Agreement for Building Permitting and Inspections, they reviewed administration space issue, the status of construction projects, the Bryan Road Elementary School construction schedule, and reviewed and discussed the Facilities Consent Agenda. The next Facilities Meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2008, at 9:30 a.m. The committee will review the five scenarios previously used to create CIP 2006.

Ms. Clark shared that the Program Committee met on February 13, 2008, at 12:30 p.m. The committee focused on an overview of Prevention Services programs and Alternate School programs. Staff is looking at the alignment of the programs being offered, how funds are allocated, how time and resources are allocated.

ACTION ITEMS

FACILITIES

1. RESOLUTION: CIP 2006 6TH QUARTERLY FUNDING

Resolution requests funds for the CIP 2006 School Building Program previously approved by the Board. This request will provide funding of projects, in accordance with

the master schedule, that require commencement of design or construction prior to August 2008. This request also includes \$18,845,130 to appropriate the funds necessary to reallocate the \$20,369,855 for Land Purchase that was approved at the February 5, 2008 Board meeting. The full \$20,369,855 did not require appropriation due to a portion already being appropriated. Fiscal Implications: Total of this appropriation request is \$114,144,066. Appropriations for CIP 2006 to date total \$716,836,055. The total CIP 2006 appropriation, including this request, will equal \$830,980,121. This leaves a balance of \$224,894,716 to be appropriated from the total CIP 2006 Building Program sum of \$1,055,874,837. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

Mike Burriss presented information to the Board regarding a request for funds for the CIP 2006 School Building Program. With no questions from the Board since the item was discussed at length in the Facilities Committee Meeting, Beverley Clark made a motion to approve, seconded by Eleanor Goettee. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. RESOLUTION: CIP 2006 FUNDING REALLOCATION

Resolution requests two reallocations in the total amount of \$3,684,251. First reallocation is from Startup for Design of Next Bond projects to Apex High, a possible renovation and addition project high on the priority list for the next capital program, and M-12 located in Garner, a middle school that can open in 2011 to relieve crowding. Apex High has become higher on the priority list due to the addition being able to add over 600 much needed high school seats. Second reallocation is for transfer of building permit fees from two projects to the Building Permit project. Fiscal Implications: The projects will be provided with the needed design funding within the current approved budgets. No additional appropriation of funding is necessary at this time. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

Mike Burriss presented information to the Board regarding requests for two reallocations from CIP 2006. Board members asked clarifying questions regarding the priority list, and steps for start-up for design. Mr. Burriss answered the questions accordingly. Lori Millberg made a motion to approve, seconded by Patti Head. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. NAME FOR NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN FUQUAY-VARINA (E-27)

On or about June 5, 2007, the Board of Education acquired approximately 44.78 acres for use as an elementary school and for a potential middle school in the E-27 target area, with an elementary school scheduled to open in 2009. Naming of the new elementary school facility is now required. The following names are proposed for consideration (1) Bass Lake Elementary (2) Herbert Akins Road Elementary, and (3) North Fuquay-Varina Elementary.

Bass Lake Elementary is proposed because of the site's proximity to Bass Lake, which is the nearest notable geographic or natural feature albeit located within Holly Springs, and as Bass Lake Road intersects Herbert Akins Road in close proximity (approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ miles) to the site. Herbert Akins Road Elementary is proposed as it identifies the road from which the school will be accessed (Herbert Akins Road) and will help to specifically identify the location of the site. North Fuquay-Varina Elementary is proposed it identifies

the area of Fuquay-Varina within which the school site is located, and will help to identify the location of the site. Staff recommends name selection of Herbert Akins Road Elementary. Fiscal Implications: None. Recommendation for Action: Staff requests Board approval.

Betty Parker presented names for the new elementary school in Fuquay-Varina. Horace Tart made a motion to approve naming the school Herbert Akins Road Elementary. The motion was seconded by Patti Head. The motion was approved unanimously.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

1. SHAW UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

- Shaw University and WCPSS Preschool Special Education Services propose to enter into a collaborative partnership to provide preschool instruction and early intervention services.
- Shaw University will provide the classrooms and outdoor facilities, administrative oversight of the center, and a variety of resources from the faculty and students of the Shaw Department of Education.
- WCPSS will provide the staff for four classrooms, materials, resources and equipment required to implement an exemplary preschool curriculum and meet the special education needs of the WCPSS students assigned to this program.
- Shaw University will provide space for WCPSS staff to complete the referral and evaluation process for preschool-age children being considered for special education services.
- Program specifics are outlined in the attached Memorandum of Understanding.

Fiscal Implications: Staff and instructional materials/equipment are included in the annual Growth Case submitted for 2008 – 09. Classroom set-up costs will be covered by the Facilities operating budget. No other costs are anticipated. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested to implement the partnership with Shaw University as outlined.

Marvin Connelly and Janet Godbold presented information to the Board regarding a collaborative partnership between WCPSS and Shaw University for an Early Childhood Education Center for Development and Research. Board members asked clarifying questions of staff regarding how the center differs from Project Enlightenment, who would be providing administrative oversight of the program, and if the project would be included in the annual budget. Mr. Connelly and Ms. Godbold answered the questions accordingly.

Eleanor Goettee made a motion to approve, seconded by Lori Millberg. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION'S RESPONSE TO THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION'S DENIAL OF RECENTLY SUBMITTED K-3 INDIVIDUAL CLASS SIZE WAIVER REQUESTS

The North Carolina State Board of Education recently denied the third and fourth month

K-3 Individual Class Size Waiver Requests submitted by the Wake County Public School System. Chapter 4, Section III E of The School Attendance & Student Accounting Manual states "Upon notification from the State Board that the reported exception does not qualify for an allotment adjustment or a waiver under provisions of G.S. 115C-301, the local board, within 30 days of receipt of the State Board notification, shall take action necessary to correct the exception. A report of the action taken to alleviate the exception shall be sent to the Information Analysis & Reporting Section within 30 days of receipt of State Board notification that the exception did not qualify for an allotment adjustment or waiver". The denial notification was received by fax on February 8, 2008. Fiscal Implications: To be determined. Recommendation for Action: Board requested to take action necessary to correct the identified K-3 class size exceptions.

After lengthy comprehensive and in depth discussion regarding the actions being taken by the affected schools and staff, Patti Head made a motion to approve an allocation of up to 39 months of employment for teachers for the thirteen schools that are over in the third and fourth months, and that the resources could be used if the school can not address the instructional needs within existing resources. The motion was seconded by Lori Millberg. The Board voted 5 to 1 with Horace Tart, Patti Head, Lori Millberg, Eleanor Goettee, and Anne McLaurin voting "yes", and Beverley Clark voting "no". The motion passed.

CLOSED SESSION

Patti Head made a motion to go into Closed Session at 5:03 p.m. to consider confidential personnel information protected under G.S. 143-318.11(a) (6) and 115C-319, to consider confidential student information protected under G.S. 115C-4012 and the Family Educational and Privacy Rights Act, 20 U.S.C. 1232g, and to establish or give instructions concerning the Board's negotiating position related to a potential acquisition of real property, as provided in G.S. 143-318.11(a) (5). The motion was seconded by Lori Millberg. The motion was unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEMS Cont'd

HUMAN RESOURCES

1. RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT(S)

Eleanor Goettee made a motion to approve the following Administrative Appointments
(1) Ann Deegan, Retired Principal to Interim Principal at Washington Elementary School, effective date March 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008 (Interim position).
(2) Wilma Jenkins-Flythe, Director, Human Resources to Senior Director, Human Resources, effective date February 20, 2008 (Permanent position).
The motion was seconded by Lori Millberg. The motion was unanimously approved.

Beverley Clark made a motion to return to Closed Session. The motion was seconded by Lori Millberg. Patti Head made a motion to amend the agenda to add two additional items to the Action Agenda. The motion was seconded by Eleanor Goettee.

Lori Millberg made a motion to approve the acquisition of land for H-6, seconded by Patti Head. The motion was approved unanimously. Beverley Clark made a motion to approve M-7 contingent upon an offer from the Town of Rolesville to apply \$3,000

toward the land purchase price. The motion was seconded by Lori Millberg.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business coming before the Board, Patti Head made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Eleanor Goettee. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosa U. Gill, Chair, Wake County Board of Education

Del Burns, Superintendent, WCPSS

Melissa R. Christmas, Recording Secretary