

WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION



OPEN MINUTES –BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, February 24, 2004

Board Members Present	Staff Members Present	
<i>Susan Parry, Chair</i>	<i>Superintendent McNeal</i>	Jonibel Willis
<i>Patti Head, Vice Chair</i>	Jo Baker	Beverly White
Kathryn Watson Quigg	Del Burns	Donna Hargens
Beverley Clark	Karen Banks	Danny Barnes
Carol Parker	Luther Cherry	
Amy White	Cindi Jolly	
Ron Margiotta	Michael Evans	
Bill Fletcher	Donald Haydon	
Rosa Gill	Linda Isley	
	Toni Patterson	Board Attorney Present
	Maurice Boswell	<i>Ann Majestic</i>
	Mike Burriss	
	Julye Mizelle	

Susan Parry called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

INFORMATION

Chair's Comments

Chairwoman Parry congratulated Superintendent McNeal for being named National Superintendent of the Year. She acknowledged how grateful the Board of Education was and that he gives an enormous personal commitment to Wake County. Chairwoman Parry also gave "Top 10 Reasons why it's a good thing Bill McNeal was named National Superintendent of the Year."

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent McNeal thanked everyone for their support and commitment. He is honored and humbled to work in a school system such as Wake County.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

*Amy White made a motion to **pull** from the Program-Information Agenda- "Assignment of New Subdivision to Schools."*

*Patti Head made a motion to amend the meeting agenda to **add** to the Program- Information Agenda- "Implementation of NCLB Legislation."*

*Patti Head made a motion to amend the meeting agenda to **add** to the Human Resources Information Agenda-Human Resources "Update on Teacher Recruitment and Orientation Activities and Space Needs."*

*Patti Head made a motion to amend the meeting agenda to **add** five additional "Human Resources-Recommendations for Administrative Appointments" to Closed Session and then the Action Agenda.*

*Patti Head made a motion to **add** updated information to the agenda item "Proposed Year 2004 Legislative Agenda."*

*Patti Head made a motion to **add** a Closed Session item to consult with the Board's attorney in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege regarding a potential claim pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3).*

Bill Fletcher made a motion to move the January 6, 2004, Open Meeting minutes to the Action Agenda for clarification.

Bill Fletcher made a motion to approve the amended meeting agenda, seconded by Carol Parker. The vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARING

Nancy Coggia, Parent. The Wake County PTA Council Executive Board requested the approval of the Resolution in Support of 100% Tobacco-Free Schools.

CONSENT ITEMS

Patti Head made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Carol Parker. The vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 3, 2004-Open Meeting

February 3, 2004-Closed Session

FACILITIES

1. UTILITY AND PIPELINE EASEMENT-PANTHER CREEK HIGH

To provide public water and sewer to the new Panther Creek High School, the Town of Cary requires a utility and pipeline easement containing 815 square feet. The easement will provide water and sewer stubs to allow future connections to school facilities. Fiscal Implications: None. Recommendation for Action: Staff requests Board approval of a utility and pipeline easement to the Town of Cary to provide water and sewer service to the new Panther Creek High School.

2. RESOLUTION: CLOSING OF 1996 STATE BOND PROJECTS

Resolution requests closing of 1996 State Bond projects as listed on attached resolution, and a revision to the state bond expenditure plan which totals \$1,737,667.76. Staff is continuing to work on additional State Bond project closeouts and anticipates a future reallocation of an additional \$1.1 million. Fiscal Implications: The consolidated amount closed from these projects is \$1,737,667.76. These funds will be transferred to Knightdale High. This transfer will create county bond savings in the PLAN 2000 Knightdale High project, which will be reallocated to a future PLAN 2004 project. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

Beverly Clark requested a correction to the \$ amount on the Resolution: Closing of 1996 State Bond Project from \$1,737,667.76 to \$1,620,083.99.

3. CHANGE ORDER NO. 9: WAKE FOREST ELEMENTARY

Board approval is requested for Change Order No. 9 to Blue Ridge Enterprises. This change order, in the amount of \$117,977 is for renovation of seven classrooms following asbestos abatement. Fiscal Implications: Funding is available from the total project budget of \$6,735,413, as provided in the Phase IIIB School Building Program. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

4. CHANGE ORDER NO. 1: PANTHER CREEK HIGH

On April 1, 2003, the Board approved the design consultant agreement for Panther Creek High with Boney, PLLC. The proposed compensation for the design consultant equaled \$1,586,000. A contract was issued for the design phase only for \$706,070 with \$86,930 previously under contract for design

narrative and 5% of schematic design services. With voter approval of the PLAN 2004 School Building Program, Board approval is now requested for change order No. 1 to Boney, PLLC in the amount of \$793,000 for the construction administration phase of the basic contract. Approval of this change order will fully fund the design consultant agreement. Fiscal Implications: Funding is available from the total project budget of \$40,599,946, of which \$1,546,945 is from the PLAN 2000 start-up funds, \$14,359,539 is from PLAN 2000, \$66,500 is from PLAN 2000 Modernization, \$4,900,000 is from Phase IIIB, and \$19,226,962 is from PLAN 2004 School Building Program. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

5. CHANGE ORDER NO. 5: HOLLY SPRINGS HIGH

On April 1, 2003, the Board approved the design consultant agreement for Holly Springs High with Cherry Huffman Architects, P.A. The proposed compensation for the design consultant equaled \$1,428,098. A contract was issued for the design phase only for \$732,549 with \$47,000 previously under contract for design narrative and 5% of schematic design services. With voter approval of the PLAN 2004 School Building Program, Board approval is now requested for change order No. 5 to Cherry Huffman Architects, P.A. in the amount of \$648,549 for the construction administration phase of the basic contract. Approval of this change order will fully fund the design consultant agreement. Fiscal Implications: Funding is available from the total project budget of \$40,490,654, of which \$9,000 is from PLAN 2000 Modernization, \$1,546,945 is from the PLAN 2000 School Building Program start-up funds, \$45,036 is from Wake County Parks and Recreation, and \$38,889,673 is from PLAN 2004 School Building Program. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

6. BIDS: WAKE FOREST ROLESVILLE HIGH

Bids for the dining addition at Wake Forest Rolesville High were received on January 22, 2004. Staff and Jill B. Smith Architect recommend award of the single-prime contract to Beau Chene Company, LLC in the amount of \$735,000. Fiscal Implications: Funding is available from the total project budget of \$903,912, as provided in the deferred maintenance component of the PLAN 2000 School Building Program. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

FINANCE

1. REPORT OF ADMINISTRATION APPROVED CONTRACTS *(Exhibit A)*

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 for January 2004. Fiscal Implications: Not applicable.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS' REPORTS

- *Amy White announced that the Human Resource Committee would meet on March 9, 2004 at 3:30 p.m.*
- *Kathryn Watson Quigg reported that the Program Committee came up with two recommendations on the bell schedules for the Board of Education's consideration. Recommendation #1: "New schools merge into existing schedule with as little change as possible"; and "Recommendation #2 "Administration will seek resources to support transportation service standard that will allow students to be picked up within 15 minutes after dismissal."*
- *Bill Fletcher reported that the Policy Committee met to review several different policies related to the discipline of students. The Policy Committee will form a Citizen Committee and ask that each board member elect two appointments to this committee. This committee will address how the board deals with religious holidays on the school calendars.*

- *Patti Head reported that the Community Relations Committee met on February 10, 2004, to begin looking at the community engagement meetings results and to review the goals of the committee. The next meeting will be on March 9, 2004, at 2 p.m.*
- *On April 29, 2004, 7:30 am – 11:30 am, Wake Education Partnership will hold the summit. The theme is “Journey 2008 Planning, Process, and Possibility.”*

ACTION ITEMS

MINUTES

January 6, 2004-Open Meeting

Bill Fletcher made a motion to approve the January 6, 2004, Open Meeting minutes, seconded by Patti Head. The vote was unanimous. Mr. Fletcher asked for point of clarification regarding language in the Standard Course of Study reflecting “sexual intercourse” where as the general statute uses broader terminology “sexual activity.” Mr. Fletcher asked that the administration ensure that the curriculum implementation will be in accordance with statute.

FACILITIES

1. SCHEMATIC DESIGN: DANIELS MIDDLE PHASE III

Staff will present the schematic design documents prepared by Cline Design Associates, PA for the construction of additions and renovation to Daniels Middle. This design is the final phase of three construction projects occurring over the next five years: 1. Bates Building renovations; 2. Bus loop and parking along Oberlin Road; 3. Additions and renovations to Daniels Middle. Fiscal Implications: Funding is available from the total project budget of \$16,368,596, of which \$822,678 is from the PLAN 2000 School Building Program start-up funds, and \$15,545,918 is from PLAN 2004 School Building Program. Recommendation for Action: Board approval is requested.

Bill Fletcher made a motion to approve, seconded by Beverley Clark. The vote was unanimous.

PROGRAM

1. MAGNET SCHOOLS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BOARD RESOLUTION

The 2004-07 magnet grant proposal is under development. School programs for which funding is sought must match federal regulations that govern the Magnet Schools Assistance Program. Start-up and initial costs for program expansion and conversion will be shared. Plans include the following magnets schools: Enloe, Southeast Raleigh, North Garner, Joyner, and Conn. Estimated amount of grant award: \$10,000,000. Contingency funds if grant is not successful: \$1,100,000. Staff recommends that the Board adopt the resolution supporting the Magnet Schools Assistance Program proposal.

Beverley Clark made a motion to approve, seconded by Rosa Gill. The vote was unanimous.

INFORMATION

LEGISLATIVE

1. PROPOSED YEAR 2004 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA (Exhibit B)

Staff will present for information the proposed Year 2004 Legislative Agenda. Fiscal Implications-None. Recommendation for Action-This is for information only.

PROGRAM

1. MAGNET SCHOOLS OF AMERICA'S 22ND NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF MAGNET SCHOOLS *(Exhibit C)*

WCPSS will host the 22nd annual conference on Magnet Schools, April 18-22, 2004. A sub-theme of the conference is "50 Years After Brown v. Board of Education." The conference will be held at the Sheraton Capital Center Hotel and Raleigh Convention Center. Participants will visit many of Wake County's nationally recognized magnet schools. Keynote speakers for the conference include Superintendent Bill McNeal, National Public Radio Correspondent and Author, Juan Williams, and Disney Teacher of the Year, Ron Clark. A reception will be held at Exploris Museum on Sunday evening, April 18 to welcome conference attendees to Wake County. The festival "A Taste of North Carolina" will be held on the Convention Center Plaza featuring artisans from around our state on Tuesday evening, April 20. Students from Wake County's magnet schools will perform during the conference. Wake County Board of Education members are invited to participate in all conference events. There are no specific fiscal implications to the school district. Transportation for the "second chance" school visits may be provided by WCPSS's transportation department. This item is presented for information.

2. IMPLEMENTATION OF NCLB LEGISLATION *(Exhibit D)*

A committee comprised of school principals and central office staff is developing guidelines that address the implementation of NCLB legislation including school choice provisions. Attached is information that provides an overview of the legislative requirements, a timeline for implementation, and issues to be addressed.

CLOSED SESSION

Bill Fletcher made a motion at 6:30 p.m. to go into closed session to consider confidential personnel information protected under G.S. 115C-319 and to consult with the Board attorney in order to preserve the attorney client-privilege regarding a potential claim pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (3), seconded by Patti Head. The vote was unanimous.

Break 6:30 p.m.

Reconvened 6:45 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUATION)

Charlotte Turpin, President Wake NCAE. Requested the board approve an increase to teacher supplement with more emphasis on experience teacher and increase local supplement for non-certified employees based on experience. .

ACTION ITEMS (cont'd.)

HUMAN RESOURCES

1. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Amy White made a motion to approve Melissa Burns, assistant principal 50% at Davis Drive Elementary School and 50% at Baucom Elementary School to principal at Olive Chapel Elementary School, seconded by Kathryn Watson Quigg. The vote was unanimous.

Amy White made a motion to approve Jacob Bryant, assistant principal intern at David Drive Middle School, to assistant principal at Morrisville Elementary School, seconded by Kathryn Watson Quigg. The vote was unanimous.

Amy White made a motion to approve Carolyn Younce, assistant principal at Wake Forest-Rolesville Middle School, to assistant principal at Knightdale High School, seconded by Kathryn Watson Quigg. The vote was unanimous.

Amy White made a motion to approve Christina O'Neal, teacher at Athens Drive High, to assistant principal at Pleasant Union Elementary School, seconded by Kathryn Watson Quigg. The vote was unanimous.

Amy White made a motion to approve Michael Regan, assistant principal at York Elementary School, to principal at Briarcliff Elementary School, seconded by Kathryn Watson Quigg. The vote was unanimous.

Amy White made a motion to approve Denise Tillery, assistant principal at Baileywick Elementary, to principal at Wake Forest Elementary School, seconded by Kathryn Watson Quigg. The vote was unanimous.

Amy White made a motion to approve Edna Vann, applicant, to assistant principal at Athens Drive High School, seconded by Kathryn Watson Quigg. The vote was unanimous.

2. RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSFER

Amy White made a motion to approve Stephen Oates, principal at Wakefield Elementary School to principal at Forestville Elementary School, seconded by Kathryn Watson Quigg. The vote was unanimous.

INFORMATION ITEMS

HUMAN RESOURCES

1. UPDATE ON TEACHER RECRUITMENT AND ORIENTATION ACTIVITIES AND SPACE NEEDS

Last year the board approved \$500,000 in the 2003-2004 budget to expand teacher recruitment, orientation and support system initiatives. Staff will report on the status of these activities and address space needs that are necessary to support these efforts. Fiscal Implications-None. Recommendation for Action-None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Susan Parry adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elwanda K. Farrow, Recording Secretary

Bill McNeal, Superintendent, WCPSS

Susan Parry, Chair

