



**WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES
July 22, 2014**

<u>Board Members Present</u>	<u>Staff Members Present</u>	
Christine Kushner, Chair	James G. Merrill, Superintendent	Jacqueline Ellis
Tom Benton, Vice Chair	Marvin Connelly	Clinton Robinson
Monika Johnson-Hostler	Cathy Moore	Karen Hamilton
Kevin L. Hill	Tim Simmons	Todd Wirt
Jim Martin	David Neter	Joe Desormeaux
Zora Felton	Lloyd Gardner	Mark Winters
Susan P. Evans	Andre Smith	Doug Thilman
Bill Fletcher	Edward McFarland	Brad McMillen
	Pamela Kinsey-Barker	<u>Board Attorney</u>
	Rose Anne Gonzalez	Rod Malone

Chairwoman Kushner called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair’s Comments

Chairwoman Kushner shared comments related to enjoying the summer, congratulating staff and students for the smooth start to year-round and modified calendar schools, thanking Tony Wagner and staff for the thought-provoking conversation at today’s Work Session, and reminding everyone of the upcoming Town Hall Meeting on Wednesday, August 6th at the McKimmon Center.

Superintendent’s Comments

Dr. Merrill shared comments related to thanking teachers, students, administration, support staff, and bus drivers for a wonderful opening of year-round and modified schools, encouraging the public to attend the Town Hall Meeting regarding the Strategic Plan on August 6th from 7:00-8:30 at the McKimmon Center, thanking the Exchange Club of North Raleigh for presenting the District with its own Freedom Shrine at the School Administration Offices, congratulating Daniel Hill from Green Hope High School who won first place and is the National Champion in Excel 2010, Daniel will represent the United States in Excel 2010 at the World Competition in California this week.

Board Members’ Comments

Board Members shared comments related to staff having a smooth opening to year-round and modified schools; remembering to continue reading books for the remainder of the summer for traditional calendar students; attending the NCSBA Policy Conference; inviting the public to attend the Town Hall Meeting on August 6th, meeting with town leaders from Apex, Holly Springs, and Morrisville and presenting information about the challenges facing the district as it relates to capacity needs and what tools are available to deal with school crowding; waiting to see what the General Assembly will do with the budget proposal; and board members ready to get back to work.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Keith Sutton made a motion to approve the Meeting Agenda. The motion was seconded by Bill Fletcher and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT. The following individuals offered public comments to the Board;

- Charles McClure

CONSENT ITEMS

Bill Fletcher made a motion to approve the Consent Items with the exception of item #24, RECOMMENDATION FOR EMPLOYMENT. The motion was seconded by Monika Johnson-Hostler and unanimously approved.

Bill Fletcher made a motion to approve Consent Item #24, RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT. The motion was seconded by Kevin L. Hill. Tom Benton abstained from voting for personal reasons. The motion was approved by the remaining Board members.

ACTION ITEMS

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

27. POLICY 5530: PROMOTION AND INTERVENTION

Revised; First Reading.

Cathy Moore, Deputy Superintendent of School Performance shared information with the Board regarding the revisions to the policy. The revision request was reviewed by the Superintendent's Leadership Team and the Policy Committee.

Jim Martin made a motion to approve the policy on first reading. The motion was seconded by Bill Fletcher and unanimously approved.

28. BOARD POLICY 5500: MULTI-TIERED FRAMEWORK FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Revised; First Reading

Brenda Elliott, Assistant Superintendent for Student Support Services shared information with the Board regarding the revisions to the policy. The revision request was reviewed by the Superintendent's Leadership Team and the Policy Committee.

Jim Martin made a motion to approve the policy on first reading. The motion was seconded by Bill Fletcher and unanimously approved.

POLICY

29. BOARD POLICY 2311: INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURES

First Reading

Marvin Connelly, Chief of Staff & Strategic Planning shared information with the Board regarding the revisions to the policy. The revision request was reviewed by the Superintendent's Leadership Team and was reviewed by the Policy Committee on 6/24/14.

Jim Martin made a motion to approve the policy on first reading. The motion was seconded by Tom Benton and unanimously approved.

30. BOARD POLICY 2312: EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

First Reading.

Marvin Connelly presented information to the Board regarding the creation of a new policy by splitting off a portion of Policy 2311 and making it stand alone. The proposed policy provides better organization and clarity of both the policy and the accompanying R & P. The policy was reviewed by the Superintendent’s Leadership Team and was reviewed by the Policy Committee on 6/24/14.

Jim Martin made a motion to approve the policy on first reading. The motion was seconded by Susan P. Evans and unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED

HUMAN RESOURCES

31. RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMININSTRATIVE APPOINTMENT(S)

Doug Thilman, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources presented the Human Resources report. Bill Fletcher made a motion to approve the Human Resources report. The motion was seconded by Kevin L. Hill and unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business coming before the Board, Susan P. Evans made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Keith Sutton and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Kushner, Board Chair

James G. Merrill, Superintendent

Melissa R. Allen, Recording Secretary