



WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES
July 23, 2013

Board Members Present	Staff Members Present	
Keith Sutton, Chair	Cathy Q. Moore, Interim Superintendent	Clinton Robinson
Christine Kushner, Vice Chair	Stella Shelton	Karen Hamilton
John Tedesco	David Neter	Marvin Connelly
Kevin L. Hill	Lloyd Gardner	Joe Desormeaux
Jim Martin	Andre Smith	Mark Winters
Deborah Prickett	Pamela Kinsey-Barker	Doug Thilman
Susan P. Evans	Rose Anne Gonzalez	Board Attorney Present
Bill Fletcher	Jacqueline Ellis	Jonathan Blumberg

Chairman Sutton called the meeting to order at 5:49 p.m. Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair’s Comments

Chairman Sutton shared comments related to attending the ribbon cutting at Rolesville High School, the design of the school, the staff, and the principal. Rolesville High School will open as the largest high school in Wake County.

Superintendent’s Comments

Interim Superintendent Moore shared comments related to the smooth opening of Year-Round and Modified schools, the ribbon cutting and opening of Rolesville High School. A video was shown regarding Teacher Leader Corps.

Board Members’ Comments

Individual Board members offered comments related to thanking staff, administrators, teachers and staff of Year-Round schools for a good start to the school year, little confusion of the bus route changes, excited about what is happening in school buildings, the ribbon cutting at Rolesville High School, the bond and its use for renovation of schools, being involved with a safety committee in the Leesville Community, an Arts Council event, and thanking the Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce for the public private partnership dinner that was attended by many board members.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

John Tedesco made a motion to approve the agenda with the following changes: (1) remove item #13 (temporary construction easement and permanent drainage easement: Town of Knightdale (Lockhart Elementary) and (2) add to the action agenda (special education hiring referral bonus). The motion was seconded by Christine Kushner and approved by the Board unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT. The following persons offered public comments to the Board:

- Andrea Cross-Dial
- Amy Womble

CONSENT ITEMS

Susan P. Evans made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Christine Kushner and approved by the Board unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS.

25. OFFER TO PURCHASE AND CONTRACT FOR SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY:

3600 WAKE FOREST ROAD

Betty Parker, Director of Planning and Construction presented information to the Board recommending that the Board consider the highest offer for the surplus property located at 3600 Wake Forest Road. Kevin L. Hill made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Bill Fletcher. After some discussion, Bill Fletcher made a motion to defer consideration of the item at this time for 100 days. The motion was seconded by Jim Martin. The Board voted unanimously to defer consideration.

26. BOARD POLICY 6204: TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP CAPPING

Revised; First Reading

Laura Evans, Senior Director for the Office of Student Assignment presented the revisions to the policy to the Board. Jim Martin made a motion to approve the revisions on first reading. The motion was seconded by Christine Kushner. After some discussion, the Board voted 7 to 1, with Deborah Prickett casting the dissenting vote. The motion passed.

27. SPECIAL EDUCATION HIRING REFERRAL BONUS

Doug Thilman, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and Karen Hamilton, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education Services presented a temporary special education hiring referral bonus for a finite period of time; August 7, 2013 through October 15, 2013 targeted towards current WCPSS teachers. Bonuses would be awarded to teachers whose referrals result in the hire of classroom based Special Education teachers. Kevin L. Hill made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by John Tedesco. Christine Kushner made a motion to amend and have the finite period of time for the hiring bonus to begin on July 24, 2013 and go through October 15, 2013. The motion to amend was seconded by Kevin L. Hill. The Board unanimously approved the motion to amend the effective dates of the special education hiring referral bonus. The Board returned to the original motion made by Kevin L. Hill and seconded by John Tedesco to approve the Special Education Hiring Referral Bonus. The Board voted unanimously to approve.

CLOSED SESSION

John Tedesco made a motion to go into Closed Session at 6:39 p.m. to consider confidential personnel information protected under G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(6) and 115C-319, to consult with the Board of Education attorney and preserve the attorney-client privilege as provided in G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(3), to consider confidential student information protected under G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(3) to consult with the Board's attorney in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege including with regard to the matter of S.F. by her mother V.F. vs. the Wake County Board of Education, and to consult with the Board of Education attorney and preserve the attorney-client privilege as provided in G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(3) due to current litigation, Panther Creek-Raleigh, LLP and Cary Park Associates, LLC, Plaintiffs vs. Town of Cary and Wake County Board of Education, Defendants. Wake County Superior Court Case #11-CVS-18623. The motion was seconded by Bill Fletcher. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board returned to Open Session at approximately 7:16 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS (CONTINUED)

27. RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT(S)

Doug Thilman, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented the personnel report including the transition contract for Interim Superintendent Cathy Moore. John Tedesco made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Bill Fletcher. Chairman Sutton recused himself from the vote on the Administrative Appointments for personal reasons. The motion was unanimously approved.

28. ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSFER(S)

John Tedesco made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Susan P. Evans and unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, John Tedesco made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jim Martin and approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully, submitted,

Keith A. Sutton, Board Chair

Cathy Q. Moore, Interim Superintendent

Melissa R. Allen, Recording Secretary