



WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES
September 24, 2012

<u>Board Members Present</u>	<u>Staff Members Present</u>	
Kevin L. Hill, Chair	Superintendent Anthony J. Tata	
Keith Sutton, Vice Chair	Judy Pepler	
Chris Malone	Cathy Moore	
John Tedesco	Cris Mulder	
Jim Martin	David Neter	
Christine Kushner		
Deborah Prickett	Board Attorney	
Susan P. Evans	Ann Majestic	
Debra Goldman		

Chairman Kevin L. Hill called the meeting to order at 12:39 p.m. Jim Martin made a motion to go into Closed Session for the purpose of considering confidential personnel information and to consult with the Board attorney. The motion was seconded by Susan P. Evans.

Mrs. Prickett shared that she thinks the Board should keep the session in the open. Since the session is related to personnel, if the person that is involved is okay with the session staying in the open, then the Board should let the public hear and the meeting should be an open Board session.

Ms. Goldman shared that she completely agrees with Mrs. Prickett and thinks that to have true transparency as a board member herself, she already feels like there has been discussion that she has not been included in and that the Board owes it to the people of Wake County to have the discussion in Open Session. She is completely opposed to a Closed Session discussion.

Mr. Tedesco asked legal counsel if it is permissible for the person who the personnel matter pertains to be able to allow the discussion to take place in Open Session on his/her regard? Mrs. Majestic shared that the individual can request that, but it is up to the Board to decide. Mrs. Majestic shared that it is not the individual's call.

Mr. Malone agreed that transparency is number one and that the Board should be talking about the issue where everyone can hear. The public needs to be fully informed.

Deborah Prickett made a motion that the Board stay in Open Session. The motion was seconded by Debra Goldman. The Board voted 4 to 5 to say in Open Session, with Deborah Prickett, Chris Malone, John Tedesco, and Debra Goldman voting to stay in Open Session and Christine Kushner, Susan P. Evans, Kevin L. Hill, Keith Sutton, and Jim Martin voting not to stay in Open Session. The motion to stay in Open Session failed to pass.

The Board returned to the original motion for the Board to go into Closed Session. The Board voted 5 to 4 with Christine Kushner, Susan P. Evans, Kevin L. Hill, Keith Sutton, and Jim Martin voting for the Board to go into Closed Session and Deborah Prickett, Chris Malone, John Tedesco,

and Debra Goldman voting not to go into Closed Session. The motion to go into Closed Session passed.

The Board returned to Open Session at 3:55 p.m.

Keith Sutton made a motion to recess the meeting until Tuesday, September 25, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Christine Kushner.

Clarification was requested on adding an action item to the Tuesday, September 25, 2012 recessed meeting. Board Attorney, Ann Majestic shared that an action item could be added to the meeting.

The Board returned to the motion to recess the meeting until Tuesday, September 25, 2012. The Board voted 5 to 4 to recess the meeting with Christine Kushner, Susan P. Evans, Kevin L. Hill, Keith Sutton, and Jim Martin voting in favor of recessing the meeting and Deborah Prickett, Chris Malone, John Tedesco, and Debra Goldman voted against the motion. The motion passed to recess the meeting until Tuesday, September 25, 2012.