

Approved by the Charlotte-
Mecklenburg Board of Education
September 12, 2017
Regular Board Meeting



Charlotte, North Carolina

June 27, 2017

**REGULAR MEETING
of the
CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education held a Regular Board Meeting on June 27, 2017. The meeting began at 4:36 p.m. and was held in the Meeting Chamber at the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center.

Present: Mary T. McCray, Chairperson, Member At-Large
Ericka Ellis-Stewart, Member At-Large
Rhonda Lennon, District 1
Thelma Byers-Bailey, District 2
Dr. Ruby M. Jones, District 3
Tom Tate, District 4
Paul Bailey, District 6

Absent: Eric C. Davis, District 5

Also present at the request of the Board were Ann Clark, Superintendent; Dr. Clayton Wilcox, Incoming Superintendent; George E. Battle, III, General Counsel; Earnest Winston, Chief of Staff; Scott McCully, Executive Director for Student Placement and Planning; Michele Aikens, Director Student Placement Services; Stacey Barber, Specialist Student Placement; Avery Mitchell, Chief Human Resources Officer; Chaunel Johnson, Office of Accountability; Shawn Williams, Administrator Legal Services; Melissa Woods, General Counsel II; Yvette Blakeney, Clerk to the Board.

Upon motion by Elyse Dashew, seconded by Tom Tate, the Board voted 7-0 to go into Closed Session for the following purpose:

- 1. To discuss student information that is privileged, confidential and not a public record as set forth in Title 20, Section 1232g of the United States Code and Section 115C-402 of the North Carolina General Statutes;**
- 2. To consult with our attorneys on matters covered by attorney client privilege; and**
- 3. To discuss certain confidential personnel matters.**

This motion would be made pursuant to Sections 143-318.11 (a)(1) and (a)(6) of the North Carolina General Statutes. Eric Davis, Paul Bailey were not present at the time of the vote.

The Board held a Closed Session meeting from 4:36 p.m. until 6:05 p.m. in Room CH-14. Chairperson McCray reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 6:10p.m. in the Meeting Chamber of the Mecklenburg County Government Center. CMS TV televised the meeting.

Present: Mary T. McCray, Chairperson, Member At-Large
Elyse C. Dashew, Chairperson, Member At-Large
Ericka Ellis-Stewart, Member At-Large
Rhonda Lennon, District 1
Thelma Byers-Bailey, District 2
Dr. Ruby M. Jones, District 3
Tom Tate, District 4
Paul Bailey, District 6

Absent: Eric C. Davis, District 5

Also present at the request of the Board were Ann Clark, Superintendent; George E. Battle, III, General Counsel; Julie Beck, Manager of Board Services, Yvette Blakeney, Clerk to the Board; Saniye Wilson, Student Advisor Providence High School, and Members of Executive Staff.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson McCray welcomed everyone to the June 27, 2017 Regular Board meeting.

A. Adoption of the Agenda

Chairperson McCray called for a motion to adopt the proposed agenda.

Rhonda Lennon moved that the Board adopt the agenda with the addition of Item II.A.3. Recommend Approval of Adding Licensure Extension Request, seconded by Tom Tate, the motion passed upon 8-0 voice vote of the Board.

B. Special Recognitions

Chairperson McCray called upon Thelma Byers-Bailey to introduce special guests.

Ms. Byers-Bailey recognized student winners of the Black History Quiz Bowl 2017. The three (3) students attend Ashley Park PreK-8, Hannah Win, 7th grade; Emmanuel Yuele, 6th grade; Clayton Sanders, 7th grade. Mrs. Byers-Bailey presented the winners cup and Board members received T-shirts courtesy of Councilman James “Smuggie” Mitchell, organizer of the quiz bowl.

Chairperson McCray called upon Rhonda Lennon, Tom Tate, Ericka Ellis-Stewart, Ann Clark to recognize staff for providing exceptional service to the district:

- Scott McCully, Executive Director for Student Placement and Planning, departing the district
- Sarah Crowder, Sr. Associate General Counsel, retiring from the district

- Dawn Robinson, Chief School Performance Office, retiring from the district
- Saniye Wilson, First Student Advisor to the Board, graduating from Providence High School
- Aspiring Leaders
- Ann Clark, Superintendent, retiring from the district

II. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Human Resources

Chairperson McCray called for a motion to adopt the Consent Items A-D as presented.

Upon motion by Ruby Jones moved that the Board adopt consent items A-D as presented, seconded by Paul Bailey, the motion passed upon 8-0 voice vote of the Board.

1. Recommend Approval of Licensed/Non-Licensed Hires, Promotions and Separations through June 27, 2017

Listing of Licensed and Non-Licensed Hires, Promotions and Separations through June 27, 2017. This report includes prior hires not processed when report was presented to the last Board of Education meeting.

1. *Total Hires July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017: 3,693
Licensed Hires: 2,052
Non-Licensed Hires: 1,681*
2. *Total Promotions July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017: 1,002
Licensed Promotions: 433
Non-Licensed Promotions: 569*
3. *Total Selected Position Separations July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017: 19*

2. Recommend Approval of Administrative Personnel Appointment

The Board of Education will be asked to approve the superintendent's recommendation for administrative personnel appointment.

- *Randy Austin Barnes, Principal, Providence Spring Elementary School*

3. Recommend Approval of Licensure Extension Request

The Board of Education will be asked to approve extension licensure request, subject to licensure approval by the state Board of Education, for Montessori teachers

- *Amber Elder, Park Road Montessori*
- *Rose Bryan, Trillium Springs Montessori*

- B. Recommend Approval of Supplementary Funding Request for Learning & Teaching Advanced Studies, Opportunity Now: Adapting Practices to Effectively Identify and Instruct Academically Gifted Students of Underrepresented Populations

The proposed project will develop new information that assists schools in the identification of and provision of services to gifted and talented students. Funding requested from the Department of Education for \$500,000 over 60 months.

C. Recommend Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Director of Warehouse Operations to Dispose of Surplus School Property by Way of Online Bid in Auction Format

The Board will be asked to approve the adoption of a resolution for the disposal of surplus school property by way of online bid in auction format. The online auction time span will encompass the June 28 – July 5, 2017 period. GovDeals, (www.govdeals.com) an experienced and proven online government surplus sales service provider, will facilitate the process.

Recommend approval authorizing the Director of Warehouse Operations to dispose of Electronic/AV surplus school property through "secured disposal" by way of private negotiation and sale – using Powerhouse Recycling, Inc. a certified recycle vendor. The process will occur during the time period of June 28 – July 5, 2017.

Action necessary, to pursuant to N.C.G.S 160A-266-170, in order to dispose of surplus property.

Action necessary, pursuant to 160A-274, sale, lease, exchange and joint of governmental property. These auctions usually generate \$500 to \$15,000 in revenue.

D. Construction/Real Estate

1. Recommend Approval of Contract for Abatement and Demolition of the Old Nations Ford Elementary

The demolition of Old Nations Ford Elementary Project was bid on June 13, 2017. Staff recommends approval of the contract to the lowest responsive bidder, Environmental Holdings Group, LLC, in the amount of \$497,470. The scope of work will include the demolition of the entire facility. Project scheduled to be completed by November 2017. Local Bonds - \$497,470.00

2. Recommend Approval to Declare Real Property Known as Mecklenburg County Tax Parcel #129-101-79 Near East Independence Blvd. and Coliseum Drive as Surplus

This property was previously presented to The Board of Education for consideration as surplus on September 22, 2015. It was not included on the approved surplus real property at the request of the City of Charlotte ("City") to determine if City had interest in the property. City has expressed interest again in the real property and wishes to proceed with further discussions. Recommend approval to declare real property known as Mecklenburg County Tax Parcel #129-101-79 containing 5.732 acres near E. Independence Blvd. and Coliseum Drive as surplus. Staff can proceed with reviewing offers from third parties and continue discussions with public entities about potential acquisition. Normal closing costs will be deducted from the potential proceeds. There is no immediate fiscal implication.

3. Recommend Approval of the Tennis Court Reclamation Project at Harding University High School

The Tennis Court Full Depth Reclamation Project was bid on March 20, 2017. Staff recommends the approval of the contract to the lowest responsive bidder, Court One, in the amount of \$265,458. Local Funds - \$265,458

4. Recommend Approval of Relocation of Ten Mobile Classrooms and Three Mobile Restrooms at North Mecklenburg High School

The relocation of Mobile Classrooms and Mobile Restrooms Project was bid on June 2, 2017. Staff recommends the approval of this project to the lowest responsive bidder; L&R Construction in the amount of \$492,050. The contractor agrees to relocate ten mobile classrooms and three restrooms. All work will be performed in accordance with the standard terms and conditions outlined in the contract. MWSBE –0% Local Funds - \$492,050

5. Recommend Approval of Relocation of Eight Mobile Classrooms and Two Mobile Restrooms at Nations Ford Elementary School

The relocation of Mobile Classrooms and Restrooms Project was bid on June 2, 2017. Staff recommends the approval of this project to the lowest responsive bidder; L&R Construction in the amount of \$248,900. The contractor agrees to relocate eight mobile classrooms and two restrooms. All work will be performed in accordance with the standard terms and conditions outlined in the contract. MWSBE –0% Local Funds - \$248,900

III. ACTION ITEMS

No Action Items.

IV. REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Report on Budget Amendments for May 2017 and June 2017

Correlation to Board of Education Vision, Mission & Core Beliefs: Operating effectively and efficiently with fiscal accountability

As Required by the FY 2016 -2017 Budget Resolution, Section IV, adopted August 9, 2016, a report of budget amendments shall be made to the Board of Education on a monthly basis.

Fiscal Implications:

For Fiscal Year 2016 - 17 Operating Budget:

State Operating Revenue decreased by \$4,581,794

Federal Operating Revenue decreased by \$836,356

Other Operating Revenue increased by \$974,710

Other Local Operating Revenue increased by \$350,000

State Operating Expenditures decreased by \$4,581,794

Federal Operating Expenditures decreased by \$836,356

Other Operating Expenditures increased by \$974,710

Other Local Operating Expenditures increased by \$350,000

Chairperson McCray called upon Ann Clark to present Budget Amendments for August 2017. Superintendent Clark reported this is the monthly report and as presented.

B. Report on Capital Project Ordinances for June 2017

Correlation to Board of Education Vision, Mission & Core Beliefs: Operating effectively and efficiently with fiscal accountability

As required by the FY 2016-17 Budget Resolution, Section IV, adopted August 9, 2016 a report of budget amendments shall be made to the Board of Education on a monthly basis.

For Fiscal Year 2016-17 Capital Project Ordinances:

Other Capital Outlay Revenue increased by \$7,158,609

State Capital Outlay Revenue decreased by \$7,308,499

Other Capital Outlay Expenditures increased by \$7,158,609

State Capital Outlay Expenditures decreased by \$7,308,499

Chairperson McCray called upon Ann Clark to present Capital Ordinances for June 2017. Superintendent Clark reported this is the monthly as presented.

C. First Reading on Proposed Amendments to Exhibit JCA-E, "Student Assignment Plan: School Options Lottery, Guarantees and Priorities"

Correlation to Board of Education Vision, Mission & Core Beliefs: Providing all students with the opportunity to perform to their fullest potential and ensuring that there is no discernible difference between the achievement levels of students by race, gender or economic level

Chairperson McCray called upon Tom Tate, Chair of the Policy Committee, to present First Reading on Proposed Amendments to Exhibit JCA-E, *Student Assignment Plan: School Options Lottery, Guarantees and Priorities*

Mr. Tate reported proposed amendments to Exhibit JCA-E, "Student Assignment Plan School Options Lottery Guarantees and Priorities," are before the Board for First Reading. The amendments broaden the criteria for eligibility for the School Performance Priority (SPP) for School Options (magnet schools and non-magnet school options) to include students assigned to the entry grade levels of schools designated by the state as low performing for three consecutive years. The criteria as it is currently written applies only to students already *attending* schools that are designated by the state as low performing for three consecutive years. This change in the criteria was discussed in detail at the May 16, 2017 Board Work Session as well as at the June 22, 2017 Policy Committee meeting, where it was approved by unanimous vote.

The Policy Committee recommends that the first Public Hearing for this exhibit be waived, thereby shortening the usual three meeting process for adoption of policies and exhibits by one meeting. Following this timeline, the First Reading would be on June 27, and a Public Hearing and Board Vote on July 25. Adopting the proposed amendments before the end of July will give CMS staff more time to prepare for the School Options Lottery for the 2018-2019 school year, which is anticipated to begin in October 2017 rather than in February 2018. This action is consistent with Policy BG, "Board of Education Policy Process," which permits the Board to waive the requirements for public comment when the timely passage of the policy is necessary to ensure the efficient operation of the district.

D. First Reading on Proposed Amendments to Policy JKD, "Suspensions, Exclusions and Expulsions of Students"

Correlation to Board of Education Vision, Mission & Core Beliefs: Providing all students with the opportunity to perform to their fullest potential and ensuring that there is no discernible difference between the achievement levels of students by race, gender or economic level

Chairperson McCray called upon Tom Tate, Chair of the Policy Committee, to present First Reading on Proposed Amendments to Policy JKD, *Suspensions, Exclusions and Expulsions*

Mr. Tate reported proposed amendments to Policy JKD, "Suspensions, Exclusions, and Expulsions of Students," are before the Board for First Reading. The proposed amendments are an explicit statement of the Board's commitment to the reduction and avoidance of out-of-school suspensions. They are the result of numerous discussions by the Policy Committee of ways to reduce the numbers of students in grades PreK – 2 who receive out-of-school suspensions. In response to these discussions, a cross-functional team of staff has worked to increase effective interventions for young children who cause disruptions at school and to provide other supports for

principals. This policy change was considered by the Policy Committee on June 22, 2017 and was approved by a 3 – 1 vote.

V. REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT

Ann Clark thanked the Board, community and staff for the opportunity to serve the district. Superintendent Clark dedicated a book titled, *The North Star*, to each Board member. As a reminder of the importance of literacy and the NorthStar program, Superintendent Clark dedicated a book to each Board member. The books will be placed in school libraries honor of the Board members and student advisor:

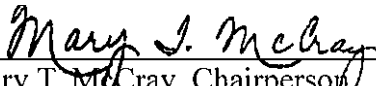
- John M. Morehead STEM Academy, Mary McCray
- E. E. Waddell Language Academy, Elyse Dashew
- Billingsville Elementary School, Erick Ellis-Stewart
- North Mecklenburg High School, Rhonda Lennon
- Walter G. Byers Academy, Thelma Byers-Bailey
- Dorothy J. Vaughan Academy of Technology, Ruby Jones
- Shamrock Gardens Elementary School, Tom Tate
- Sedgefield Elementary School, Eric Davis
- Matthews Elementary School, Paul Bailey
- Providence High School, Saniye Wilson

VI. ADJOURNMENT

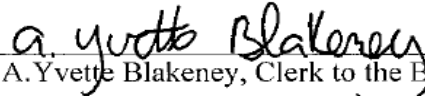
Chairperson McCray called for a motion to adjourn the Regular Board meeting.

Upon motion by Ruby Jones that the Board adjourn the Regular Board meeting, seconded by Paul Bailey, the motion passed upon 8-0 voice vote of the Board.

The Regular Board meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



Mary T. McCray, Chairperson



A. Yvette Blakeney, Clerk to the Board