The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education held a Regular Board Meeting on December 12, 2017. The meeting began at 6:00 p.m. and was held in Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center. CMS TV televised the meeting.

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

Absent: Ericka Ellis-Stewart, Member At-Large
Eric C. Davis, District 5

Also present at the request of the Board were Dr. Clayton Wilcox, Superintendent; George E. Battle, III, General Counsel; Nicole Kelly Administrator Board Services; Yvette Blakeney, Clerk to the Board; Tiana M. Justice, Student Advisor

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson McCray welcomed everyone to the December 12, 2017 Regular Board meeting.

Chairperson McCray stated Mr. Bailey resigned from the District 6 position attached as Attachment I and incorporated herein by reference.

Chairperson McCray recognized Forest Hill Church Boy Scout Troop #111.

A. Recognition of Outgoing District Board Member

Mr. Tate gave outgoing remarks.

Mr. Bailey gave outgoing remarks from the podium.

Chairperson McCray introduced Judge Carla Archie to administer The Oath Of Office.
B. **Installation of District Board Members**

Rhonda Lennon, District 1  
Thelma Byers-Bailey, District 2  
Ruby Jones, District 3  
Carol Sawyer, District 4  
Margaret Marshall, District 5  
Sean Strain, District 6

Chairperson McCray called for 3-5 minute recess in order for the new Board members to sit at the Dias. The new seat assignments and nameplates will take place at the next recess.

C. **Adoption of the Agenda**

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

Upon Ms. Byers-Bailey motion, seconded by Ms. Lennon, the Board, by an 7-0 vote, adopted the agenda.

D. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairperson McCray called upon Mr. Strain to introduce the Student Pledge Leader, Kayla Houston, attached as [Attachment I.D](#) and incorporated herein by reference.

E. **Election of Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson**

Chairperson McCray yielded The Gavel to Superintendent Wilcox to preside over the Election of the Board Chair. The elected Board Chairperson will preside over the election of the Vice Chairperson.

Superintendent Wilcox reviewed the chair nomination procedures:
- Call for nominations, the nominations will continue until every member who desires have an opportunity to place a name in nomination or until a motion is approved by the Board to close nominations.
- After nominations are closed, if there is more than one (1) nomination for the seat, a call for a vote for each person in the order in which they were nominated.
- The first person who receives a majority of the votes of the Board members present will be elected as the Chair and will assume the office immediately.

Superintendent Wilcox opened the floor for nominations for the Chair of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Board of Education.

Upon Ms. Byers-Bailey motion, seconded by Ms. Lennon, by an 8-0 vote, nominated Mary McCray to serve as Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education Chair.
Superintendent Wilcox called for a motion to close the Chair nominations.

Upon Ms. Lennon motion, seconded by Ms. Byers-Bailey, by an 8-0 vote, the Board approved to close the Chair nominations.

Superintendent Wilcox called for the election vote in favor of Mary McCray as the Chair of Board of Education.

Upon unanimous hand vote, the Board elected Mary McCray as the Chairperson of the Board of Education.

Chairperson McCray reviewed the Vice-Chair nomination procedures:

- Call for nominations, the nominations will continue until every member who desires have an opportunity to place a name in nomination or until a motion is approved by the Board to close nominations.
- After nominations are closed, if there is more than one (1) nomination for the seat, a call for a vote for each person in the order in which they were nominated.
- The first person who receives a majority of the votes of the Board members present will be elected as the Vice-Chair and will assume the office immediately.

Chairperson McCray opened the floor for nominations for the Vice-Chair of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Board of Education.

Upon Ms. Sawyer motion, she nominated Elyse Dashew to serve as Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education Vice-Chair.

Upon Dr. Jones motion, she nominated Rhonda Lennon to serve as Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education Vice-Chair.

Mr. Battle reminded the Board that nominations do not require a seconded vote.

Chairperson McCray called for a motion to close the Vice-Chair nominations.

Upon Mr. Strain motion, seconded by Ms. Byers-Bailey, by an 8-0 vote, the Board approved to close the Vice-Chair nominations.

Chairperson McCray called for the election vote in favor of Elyse Dashew as Vice-Chair of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education.
Aye: Sawyer
Nay: McCray, Lennon, Byers-Bailey, Jones, Marshall, Strain
Abstain: Dashew

Chairperson McCray called for the election vote in favor of Rhonda Lennon as Vice-Chair of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education.
Aye: McCray, Dashew, Lennon, Byers-Bailey, Jones, Marshall, Strain
Nay: Sawyer
Upon 7-1 hand vote, the Board elected Rhonda Lennon as the Vice-Chair of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education.

F. **Recess**

Chairperson McCray called upon Superintendent Wilcox for announcements.
- Announced resignation of Charity Bell Superintendent, Northeast Learning Community
- Recognized new team member Dr. Cotrane Penn Executive Director, Student Services

II. **REQUEST FROM THE PUBLIC**

Chairperson McCray reported the request from the public is an opportunity to hear from the public and provided an overview of the protocol for speaker:
- Each speaker will have up to three minutes.
- Personal and individual matters should not be addressed in this forum.
- CMS employees and their families should not be addressed in the comments.
- The use of inappropriate language should not be used.
- The Board reserves the right to cut off any speaker who violates these rules.

Chairperson McCray called upon the speakers scheduled to speak before the Board.
1. Ms. Chapman
2. Steve Oreskovic
3. Ms. Lyle

Chairperson McCray stated this concludes the public speakers and declared the request from the public closed at 7:07p.m.

III. **CONSENT ITEMS**

Chairperson McCray called for a motion to approve the Consent Items.

**Upon Ms. Lennon motion, seconded by Dr. Jones, to approve all of the Consent Items, the Board by 8-0 vote, approved all Consent Items.**

A. **Minutes**

1. Recommend Approval of Open Session Minutes:
   - 080817 Regular Board Meeting
   - 082217 Regular Board Meeting
   - 091217 Regular Board Meeting

   Attached as **Attachment III.A.1** and incorporated herein by reference.

   Recommend Approval of Closed Session Minutes:
   - No minutes to approve
B. Recommend Approval of 2018 Board of Education Meeting Schedule, attached as Attachment III.B and incorporated herein by reference.

C. Construction/Real Estate

1. Recommend Approval to Grant a Temporary Construction Easement to Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. to Temporarily Use a Portion of the Parking Area at Clear Creek Elementary School Property to Extend Natural Gas Service in the Albemarle Road Area, attached as Attachment III.C.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

2. Recommend Approval to Grant a Landscape and Access Easement at the Southwest Corner of CMS-owned Vacant Land Located at 16912 Davidson-Concord Road to Davidson East Owners Association, Inc., attached as Attachment III.C.2 and incorporated herein by reference.

3. Recommend Approval to Grant a Permanent Easement to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC at Idlewild Elementary School Located at 7101 Idlewild Road, attached as Attachment III.C.3 and incorporated herein by reference.

4. Recommend Approval for Gutter Replacement Project at Southwest Middle School attached as Attachment III.C.4 and incorporated herein by reference.

5. Recommend Approval for Classroom Unit Ventilators Project at Kennedy Middle School attached as Attachment III.C.5 and incorporated herein by reference.

D. Recommend Approval for Supplementary Funding Request for CMS English Learner Services Department attached as Attachment III.D and incorporated herein by reference.

E. Recommend Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Director of Warehouse Operations to Dispose of Surplus School Property by Way of Online Bid in Auction Format attached as Attachment III.E and incorporated herein by reference.

F. Recommend Approval of Licensed/Non-licensed Hires, Licensed/Non-licensed Promotions, and Licensed/Non-licensed Separations through December 12, 2017 attached as Attachment III.F and incorporated herein by reference.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Recommend Approval of Changes to Policy JEB, “Entrance Age Requirements” 2017 attached as Attachment IV.A and incorporated herein by reference.

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Report on Budget Amendments for October 2017, a report of the budget amendments shall be made to the Board of Education on a monthly basis, attached as Attachment V.A and incorporated herein by reference.
B. Report on Financial Statements for October 2017, a report of the financial statements shall be made to the Board of Education on a monthly basis, attached as Attachment V.B and incorporated herein by reference.

C. Report on Capital Project Ordinances for October 2017, a report of the capital project ordinances shall be made to the Board of Education on a monthly basis, attached as Attachment V.C and incorporated herein by reference.

D. First Reading on Recommended Changes to Policy GBKA, “Appeals to the Board of Education by Employees” attached as Attachment V.D and incorporated herein by reference.

E. First Reading on Recommended Changes to Policy IFC, “Multiculturalism” Embracing our community's diversity and using it to enhance the educational environment attached as Attachment V.E and incorporated herein by reference.

F. First Reading on Recommended Changes to Policy JFAC “Reassignments and Transfers”, attached as Attachment V.F and incorporated herein by reference.

G. Project Leadership and Investment for Transformation (L.I.F.T.), Beacon Initiative and Restart Schools Update attached as Attachment V.G and incorporated herein by reference.

VI. REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT

Chairperson McCray opened the floor to Superintendent comments as Attachment VI. December 12, 2017 Board meeting video link and incorporated herein by reference.

VII. REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Chairperson McCray opened the floor to Board member comments as Attachment VII. December 12, 2017 Board meeting video link and incorporated herein by reference.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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

Upon motion by Ms. Byers-Bailey that the Board adjourn the Regular Board meeting, seconded by Dr. Jones the motion passed upon 8-0 vote of the Board.

The Regular Board meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

[Signature]
Mary T. McCray, Chairperson

[Signature]
A. Yvette Blakeney, Clerk to the Board
ATTACHMENTS

1. **Attachment I** - Mr. Bailey letter of resignation

2. **Attachment I.D** - Student Pledge Leader, Kayla Houston

3. **Attachment III.A.1** – Minutes, 080817, 082217, 091217

4. **Attachment III.B** - 2018 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

5. **Attachment III.C.1** - Temporary Construction Easement to Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. to Temporarily Use a Portion of the Parking Area at Clear Creek Elementary School Property

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11. **Attachment III.E** - Director of Warehouse Operations to Dispose of Surplus School Property

12. **Attachment III.F** - Licensed/Non-licensed Hires, Licensed/Non-licensed Promotions, and Licensed/Non-licensed Separations through December 12, 2017

13. **Attachment IV.A** - Changes to Policy JEB, “Entrance Age Requirements” 2017

14. **Attachment V.A** – Budget Amendments for October 2017

15. **Attachment V.B** – Financial Statements for October 2017

16. **Attachment V.C** – Capital Project Ordinances for October 2017

17. **Attachment V.D** - Recommended Changes to Policy GBKA
18. Attachment V.E – Recommended Changes to Policy IFC, Multiculturalism

19. Attachment V.F – Recommended changes to Policy JFAC “Reassignments and Transfers”

20. Attachment V.G - Project Leadership and Investment for Transformation (L.I.F.T.), Beacon Initiative and Restart Schools