

The Halifax County Board Of Education
November 1, 2010

MINUTES

The Halifax County Board of Education met in session on Monday, November 1, 2010. The meeting was held at the Everetts Elementary School, 458 Everetts School Road, Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina.

Present: Mr. Tyus Few, Vice-Chair, Mrs. Gladys Walden, Mrs. Debbie Hardy, Mrs. Susie Evans, Ms. Carolyn Hawkins and Mr. Clarence Carmon. Absent: Dr. Donna Hunter.

Others present: Superintendent, Dr. Elease Frederick, Personnel Director, Dr. Farrell Young, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Charles Chambliss, Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Tyrana Battle, Finance Officer, Ms. Charlene Jones, Representative from DPI, Ms. Catherine Brooks and Board Attorney, Larry Armstrong.

Mr. Tyus Few, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. He thanked the staff at Everetts for the warm hospitality. The board chair is absent tonight due to the death of her mother. Please keep her in your prayers.

Those present participated in the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

Public Comments:

Reverend Andrew West informed the board as to what he is hearing in the community. The committee to Reopen the schools everyone is not in favor of the board's decision. There were a lot of negative comments shared at the meeting of October 11th. If you are not on board with working to reopen these schools then "GO HOME".

Mr. Howard Johnson – Committee to Save Education in Halifax County – asked the board if comments or announcements could be held before closing the meeting?

Reverend Terry Norfleet – Committee to Save Education in Halifax County – She thanked the board for reopening of Brawley. If you have more than one child in school you have to choose which open house you will attend. Open House is scheduled for the same time.

Mrs. D. Hardy moved to approve the meeting agenda, minutes and personnel recommendations as presented in closed session. Mrs. G. Walden moved in second. Motion carried.

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – Jacqueline Perry, Ivy Copeland, Chairs Saunders, Diana Powell, Tina Moore, Hazel Hill, Amy Tice, and Carl Lennon.

RESIGNATIONS – Larae Butcher, Wanda Askew, Samantha K. Jones-Woodard, and Quinlan Morgan.

TRANSFERS – Angela Hilliard.

Mr. Keith Hoggard introduced the Student of the Month, Shekinah Yumul, a 5th grade student, Everetts Elementary School. Dr. Frederick presented the certificate and goodie bag.

Mr. Hoggard recognized Teacher Assistant of the Year, Mrs. Bessie Richardson, Hollister Elementary School. Mrs. G. Walden presented the plaque.

Mr. Hoggard recognized the Administrator of the Year for District 11 EOP, Dr. Elese Frederick. Mr. T. Few presented her with a plaque from District 11.

Mr. Charles Chambliss recognized Enfield Middle School on winning the Roanoke Valley Middle Schools Football Championship for the second year in a row.

Mrs. Tyrana Battle gave updates on Curriculum and Instruction.

- Mrs. Linette Hewlin and Mrs. Jamie Stroud (High School Instructional Coaches) presented High Schools on the Move 2010

Ms. Catherine Brooks shared the DPI Transition Team Updates.

Dr. E. Frederick gave the update on the Reopening of Brawley and Eastman Schools. She stated that they met with Halifax County Planning group on October 26, 2010. Building codes that were in place when schools were opened are no longer valid now that we have closed the schools. We have to follow the process. We are now advertising for architects or engineers who specialize in renovations. We were advised not to do anything in the schools at this time. We are still working towards the reopening of schools.

Mr. C. Chambliss gave the board an itemized list of Capital Outlay Budget 2010-2011 school year.

Mrs. G. Walden stated the board members received the following policies to be placed on the table for review for thirty (30) days:

- # 3320 School Trips (Rescinds 5251)
- # 3230/7330 Copyright Compliance (Rescinds 5231)
- # 4000 Focus on Students (Rescinds 6100)

- # 4003 Translating Policies for Students and Parents
- # 4023 Education for Pregnant and Parenting Students
- # 4040/7310 Staff-Student Relations (Rescinds 3300)
- # 4050 Children of Military Families
- # 4120 Domicile or Residence Requirements (Rescinds 6014)
- # 4126 Release of Students to Other School Systems (Rescinds 6030)
- # 4130 Discretionary Admission (Rescinds 6012;6014)
- # 4135 Tuition for Discretionary Admissions (Rescinds 4370)
- # 4150 School Assignment (Rescinds 6020)
- # 4152 Unsafe School Choice Transfer
- # 4153 School Improvement Choice Transfer
- # 4155 Assignment to Classes (Rescinds 5140)

Mrs. T. Battle asked for board approval for the 2010-2011 List of Supplemental Education Services (SES) Providers which are approved by the State of North Carolina to render services to schools in Halifax County.

It was motioned by Ms. C. Hawkins to approve the list of Supplemental Education Service Providers as presented by Mrs. T. Battle. Mr. C. Carmon moved in second. Motion carried.

Mr. C. Chambliss asked for board approval for the removal of timber from Bakers Elementary School by Cliff J. E. Keer Timber Company valued at \$24,000.

It was motioned by Ms. C. Hawkins to approve the removal of timber from Bakers Elementary School. Mrs. S. Evans moved in second. Motion carried.

Ms. C. Jones presented the financial update. It was motioned by Mrs. C. Hawkins to approve the update as presented. Mr. C. Carmon moved in second. Motion carried.

Superintendent Comments:

- Dr. Frederick stated that we would like to continue to have lunch with the County Commissioners in December before the closed session
- Board Meeting Evaluation Tools
- NC School Report Cards
- State Ends Student Accountability Gateways
- October Absence Summary
- SACS Visits Schedule
- School Calendar

Board Comments:

Mrs. D. Hardy thanked the staff at Everetts for their hospitality. We are very concerned about student achievement. Parents send your children to school.

Mrs. G. Walden thanked everyone for coming out and thanked the host school. And thanked the audience for staying until the end.

Mrs. C. Hawkins shared the North Carolina School Board Association calendar. She also stated that we need to see Dr. Frederick's picture on a Bill-Board or Marquee for her award.

Mr. T. Few thanked everyone for coming and encouraged children to come to school.

Mrs. S. Evans thanked everyone for coming and has a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. C. Carmon thanked everyone for coming and stated that we have a long ways to go but we will make it.

Mrs. D. Hardy made a motion to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Mrs. G. Walden moved in second. Motion carried.

Board Chair

Secretary

December 6, 2010