

**ASHEBORO CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Regularly Scheduled Meeting**  
**Professional Development Center**  
**February 12, 2026**

**Special Joint Session with the Randolph County Commissioners**

**Board Members Present:**

Gidget Kidd, Chair	Melissa Calloway, Vice Chair	Baxter Hammer
Hailey Lee	Ryan Patton	Adam Hurley
Dr. Beth Knott	Mikayla Cassidy	Dr. Brad Thomas
Scott Eggleston, Board Attorney		

**Staff Members Present:**

Dr. Aaron Woody	Sandra Spivey Ayers	Anthony Woodyard
Angel Etheridge	Michelle Harger	Jody Cox
Gayle Higgs	Chandra Manning	Scott Bainville
Deanna Wiles	Melvin Diggs	

**Randolph County Commissioners Present:**

Darrell Frye, Chairman	Kenny Kidd, Vice Chairman	Lester Rivenbark
Hope Haywood	David Allen	

**County Employees Present:**

Zeb Holden, County Manager	
Will Massie, Finance Officer	Dana Crisco, Clerk
William Johnson, Assistant County Manager	Amber Cole, Deputy Clerk
Ben Morgan, County Attorney	Lauren Hughes, Paralegal
Aimee Scotton, Associate County Attorney	

Gidget Kidd, Chair, and Chairman Frye welcomed all in attendance and called the meeting to order at 5:28 p.m. Gidget Kidd, Chair, thanked the Randolph County Board of Commissioners for their support of Asheboro City Schools and for joining the Asheboro City Board of Education for this meeting. Mr. Darrell Frye, Chairman of the Randolph County Board of Commissioners expressed his appreciation for Asheboro City Schools.

Dr. Woody introduced representatives from Bobbitt Construction who provided an update on the renovation of South Asheboro Middle School. They reported that the project is on schedule and shared a presentation of the renovation progress at South Asheboro Middle School.

Dr. Woody shared his appreciation for our community partners, the progress of the Global Innovation Center, and the Toyota Driving Possibilities Grant we received in the amount of \$1.9 million. Dr. Wendy Rich, Chief Academic Officer & Assistant Superintendent, discussed how the money from the Toyota grant will be used in the district. Ms. Sandra Spivey Ayers shared information about how the funds the district spends are reimbursed to the district from the grant.

Dr. Woody stated that Asheboro City Schools experienced a state budget cut of \$650,000 in Low Wealth funding this school year. He also shared the following information regarding our budget for 2026-2027.

**Local Current Expense**

- For 2025-2026 the Randolph County Board of Commissioners provided Asheboro City Schools with \$7,900,158 in Local Current Expense Appropriation. We are asking for an additional \$515,000 or 6.5% increase in Local Current Expense funds. This is to cover the projected continuation costs that impact our Local Current Expense Fund as a result of:

Average 4% legislated raise (includes impact on local supplement)	\$300,000
5% increase in retirement contributions	\$ 75,000
5% increase in health insurance premiums	\$ 50,000
Property, Workers' Comp., Liability insurance increases	\$ 25,000
Utility increases	<u>\$ 65,000</u>
	\$515,000

- Future Concerns: (1) Staff recruitment and retention: Our local supplement and employer provided dental insurance are two benefits that help us to recruit in a very competitive market. (2) Maintaining our current level of technology and curriculum subscriptions (textbooks, curriculum resources, as well as maintenance contracts and software licenses).(3) Planning for device and server refreshers over the next 2-3 years.

**Capital Outlay**

- Dr. Woody expressed gratitude to the Commissioners for the generosity and support of our 10 Year Facilities Plan, as well as the renovation project at South Asheboro Middle School. This year the Randolph County Board of Commissioners provided \$1,097,833 to assist with our 10 Year Facilities Plan. We are one year into spending the \$29.7 million in grant funds as received from the Needs Based Public School Capital Fund to renovate South Asheboro Middle School. Dr. Woody thanked the Board of Commissioners for their generosity and commitment to providing the 15% match required.
- The Commissioners were provided with a copy of our Capital Improvements schedule for the next 10 Years. Dr. Woody requested the same appropriation for 2026-2027 to support our 10 Year Facilities Plan projects. Costs of repairs and replacements continue to increase as we try to adhere to our capital projects plan.
- Dr. Woody shared a list including the current capacity of our schools and the age of our buildings.
- Dr. Woody shared a list of prioritized future facility needs in the district which included the projected costs for those needs.

Dr. Woody closed by stating that the district tries to be very thoughtful about the way we spend our funds and expressed his gratitude for the support the district receives each year from the Board of Commissioners.

Ms. Sandra Spivey Ayers shared there is a lottery application in the Board materials this evening. She asked Mr. Will Massie, Randolph County Financial Officer, to explain the application.

Mr. Kenny Kidd, Vice Chairman, thanked Ms. Spivey Ayers for budget numbers she compiled for this meeting. Chairman Frye asked for a motion to close the meeting. Upon motion by Kenny Kidd, Vice Chairman, and seconded by David Allen, Chairman Frye adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

**Board of Education**

**Board Members Present:**

Gidget Kidd, Chair  
Baxter Hammer  
Mikalya Cassidy  
Scott Eggleston, Attorney

Melissa Calloway, Vice Chair  
Dr. Beth Knott  
Dr. Brad Thomas

Ryan Patton  
Adam Hurley  
Hailey Lee

**Staff Members Present:**

Dr. Aaron Woody  
Dr. Wendy Rich  
Sarah Beth Cox  
Michelle Harger  
Scott Bainville  
Corey Culp

Gayle Higgs  
Dr. Christina Kinley  
Melvin Diggs  
Deanna Wiles  
Dr. Ryan Moody  
Dr. Ana Floyd

Anthony Woodyard  
Sandra Spivey Ayers  
Angel Etheridge  
Jody Cox  
Jordan Seagraves

**Opening**

Gidget Kidd, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m., welcomed all in attendance, opened the meeting with a moment of silence, and invited students from Guy B. Teachey Elementary School to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Ryan Patton, and seconded by Dr. Brad Thomas, the Board unanimously approved the meeting agenda.

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Woody shared the following:

**Mid-Year Point** –We are encouraging staff across the district to dig deeper into positive routines and heightened expectations for each other, for all learners, and for all school stakeholders.

**Administrative Mid-Year Data Meetings and Reviews** – Our district leadership, including our principals, have been participating in mid-year data meetings and mid-year reviews. These have been enriching conversations for our entire district and school leadership.

**Winter Board of Education Retreat** – We will hold our Winter Board Retreat for our district leadership and Board on Saturday, February 21.

**Public Comments**

No public comments.

**Consent Agenda**

Ms. Hailey Lee recused herself from the vote per Policy 7100. Upon motion by Mikayla Cassidy, and seconded by Dr. Beth Knott, the Board unanimously approved the following items:

- A. Approval of Minutes for January 8, 2026, Board of Education Meeting
- B. Policies for Approval:
  - Policy 2125/7315 Confidential Information
  - Policy 3101 Dual Enrollment
  - Policy 3220 Technology in the Educational Program
  - Policy 3225/4312/7320 Technology Responsible Use
  - Policy 3226/4205 Internet Safety
  - Policy 3227/7322 Web Page Development
  - Policy 4152 Unsafe School Choice Transfer
  - Policy 4240/7312 Child Abuse And Related Threats To Child Safety
  - Policy 4270/6145 Concussion And Head Injury
  - Policy 7425 School Administrator Contracts
- C. Personnel (see below)
- D. Overnight Field Trip - Asheboro High School DECA Competition in Greensboro February 2026
- E. 2026 Lottery Distribution Request

**Asheboro City Schools  
Personnel Transactions  
February 12, 2026**

**\*A. RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/SEPARATIONS**

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Knuckles	Savannah	LP	Kindergarten Teacher	02/24/2026
Martin	Lisa	GBT	Instructional Assistant	06/10/2026
Smith	Kelly	NAMS	Physical Education Teacher	02/28/2026
Vickery	Lauren	BAL	Speech Pathologist	01/21/2026

**\*B. APPOINTMENTS**

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Beard	John	BAL	School Counselor (Part-Time)	01/05/2026
Clodfelter	Kimberly	BAL	School Counselor (Part-Time)	01/05/2026
Frazier	James	SAMS	Non-Faculty Baseball Coach	02/13/2026
Hippert	Neva	SAMS	Non-Faculty Track Coach	02/13/2026
Lee	Justin	SAMS	Non-Faculty Baseball Coach	02/13/2026
Murphy	Sean	AHS	Mathematics	02/02/2026
Skelly	Barb	CO	Educational Diagnostician (Part-Time)	01/26/2026

**Asheboro City Schools  
Personnel Transactions - ADDENDUM  
February 12, 2026**

**\*A. RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/SEPARATIONS**

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Cooper	Michelle	NAMS	EC Teacher	06/30/2026
Dunn	Matthew	CO	Welcome Center Coordinator	02/13/2026
Syriac	Renee	CO	Substitute Bus Driver	02/10/2026

**\*B. APPOINTMENTS**

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Cartagena	Jennifer	CO	Substitute Bus Safety Assistant	02/16/2026

**Information, Reports, and Recommendations**

- A. Ms. Michelle Harger, Director of Support Services, reviewed the following Policies for Review:
  - Policy 2670 Business Advisory Council
  - Policy 6310 Organization of Student Transportation Services
  - Policy 7910 Retirement
- B. Schools Continuous Improvement Plans (CIP) Update – Mr. Jordan Seagraves, Principal of Guy B. Teachey Elementary School and Dr. Ryan Moody, Principal of Asheboro High School, shared updates on the progress of their Continuous Improvement Plans (CIP). Both shared their progress on their top three goals by sharing data

reviews, school celebrations and next steps.

- C. Ms. Deanna Wiles, Director of Curriculum & Academic Program Support, and Ms. Sarah Beth Cox, Director of Career & Technical Education (CTE), shared an update on Asheboro High School courses that have been approved by the Board from 2022-2025. The update included the decision-making process in selecting the courses, the success of the courses, and information regarding student enrollment in the courses.

**\*Action Items**

- A. Ms. Sandra Spivey Ayers, Chief Financial Officer, introduced Mr. Adam Scepurek of Anderson, Smith & Wike PLLC, who reviewed the 2024-2025 audit. Ms. Sandra Spivey Ayers then requested approval of the audit. Upon motion by Baxter Hammer, and seconded by Dr. Brad Thomas, the Board unanimously approved the audit as presented.
- B. Ms. Sarah Beth Cox, Director of Career & Technical Education, requested approval of the following courses at Asheboro High School: CL13 Robotics I, Teaching as a Profession Honors I and II, Teaching as a Profession Field Experience Honors III, Honors Botany, and Honors Geology. Upon motion by Ryan Patton and seconded by Mikayla Cassidy, the Board unanimously approved the courses as presented.
- C. Ms. Michelle Harger, Director of Support Services, requested approval of the Asheboro City Schools 2027-2028 calendar. The calendar has been online for review since the January 8 board meeting with feedback recorded. Upon motion by Adam Hurley, and seconded by Hailey Lee, the Board approved 2027-2028 calendar as requested, with two Board members voting against.

**Board Operations**

- A. Gidget Kidd, Chair, reviewed information regarding upcoming events.
  - o The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be on March 19, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. in the Professional Development Center, unless otherwise posted, and will include a budget meeting.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, and upon motion by Melissa Calloway and seconded by Dr. Beth Knott, the Board unanimously approved to adjourn at 9:32 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary