

**Opening**

Chairman Baxter Hammer called the meeting to order, welcomed all in attendance, and began with a moment of silence. Following the moment of silence, Asheboro High School students led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Phillip Cheek, and seconded by Michael Smith, the board unanimously approved the meeting agenda.

**Special Recognitions**

- A. Dr. Ryan Moody, Principal, Asheboro High School, along with students Jayden Hernandez and Luis Garcia, presented the School Spotlight titled *Improving Parent/Community Engagement*. Dr. Moody shared their plan to increase family engagement night attendance by 20% by the end of the school year.
- B. Dr. Ryan Moody, Principal, Asheboro High School, recognized First Baptist Church as their community partner spotlight. Dr. Moody shared the various ways First Baptist members have partnered with Asheboro High School to support students and staff. These included providing assistance to families in need and working as Blue Comet Fellow Mentors.
- C. Ms. Chandra Manning, Director of Communications & Talent Development, presented Points of Pride, which featured a variety of student, staff, and district highlights. These included school activities before winter break, Girls Who Game program, National Mentor Month, School Board Appreciation Month, and PingTag.
- D. Ms. Chandra Manning, Director of Communications & Talent Development, recognized National Board Certified Teachers Carlie Abercrombie, Kimberly Clodfelter, Lynn Fisher, and Chandra Manning.
- E. Dr. Aaron Woody, Superintendent, recognized the board in celebration of School Board Appreciation Month. Dr. Woody thanked the board for their commitment to our students, staff, families, and community. He described the board members as dedicated individuals who work tirelessly to ensure our schools are places where students can thrive, educators inspire, and communities unite. Each board member was asked to choose a book to be donated to a school in the district in honor of them to celebrate School Board Appreciation Month.

**Superintendent's Report**

**Weather Planning**

Due to inclement weather expected tomorrow, we will release schools early tomorrow. Our team has been diligent in planning, coordinating, and communicating our processes and strategies as interruptions to the school schedule occur. Our team has developed at least three contingency plans to address potential modifications to schedules, testing dates, professional development days, and more. We would like to thank our partners with the City of Asheboro, who have worked diligently to pre-salt roads, assist our transportation department in identifying potential hazard areas to avoid, and collaborate with our police and first responders, ensuring readiness and clear communication with our district.

**Testing Schedules and Second Semester**

Our secondary students and staff are prepared to begin first-semester and second nine-week exams next week. If we have inclement weather, we are prepared to modify our testing calendar and workdays if necessary leading into the week of January 20.

**School Visits**

The board is invited to visit our schools next week on January 16 and 17 to witness the wonderful things happening in our classrooms.

**Groundbreaking at SAMS**

On February 13, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. we will hold a groundbreaking ceremony on the campus of South Asheboro Middle School. We have invited County Commissioners, City Council Members, our lawmakers, and the newly sworn-in State Superintendent, Mr. Mo Green, to attend. Following the ceremony, we will conduct a joint meeting with the County Commissioners before proceeding to our regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting.

**ACS 120th Birthday Celebration**

March 6, 2025, marks the 120th year of Asheboro City Schools. We are planning a variety of events and communications to commemorate this milestone.

**Board of Education Retreat**

We will host a Board of Education Retreat on Saturday, February 22, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Our team is diligently working to develop the agenda for this day.

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**\*Action Items**

- A. Ms. Sandra Spivey Ayers, introduced Mr. Adam Scepurek of Anderson, Smith & Wike PLLC, who reviewed the 2023-2024 Audit Report. Ms. Spivey Ayers requested approval of the report. The board unanimously approved the report as presented.

**Consent Agenda**

The board unanimously approved the following items:

- A. Approval of Minutes for December 12, 2024, Board of Education Meeting
- B. Policies Recommended for Approval:
  - Policy 4231/5021/7263 – Face Coverings
- C. Personnel

**Information, Reports, and Recommendations**

- A. Ms. Gayle Higgs, Director of Support Services, reviewed the following Policies for Review:
  - Policy 3470/4305 – Alternative Learning Programs
  - Policy 4140 – Foreign Exchange Students
- B. Ms. Gayle Higgs, Director of Support Services, shared the drafts of the Asheboro City Schools 2026-2027 Calendar and discussed the state mandated requirements for the calendar. The calendar drafts will be on the Asheboro City Schools website for a 30-day review.

**Board Operations**

- A. Chairman Hammer reviewed the Board Committee Assignments for 2025.
- B. Chairman Hammer reviewed information regarding upcoming events.
  - The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be a joint meeting with the Randolph County Commissioners at 6:00 p.m. and the board meeting to begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Professional Development Center, unless otherwise posted.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.



**Board of Education Meeting**  
**January 9, 2025**

**Asheboro City Schools**  
**Personnel ADDENDUM**  
**January 9, 2025**

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

<b>LAST</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE</b>
Boyd	Madison	CO	Bus Safety Assistant	12/27/2024

**\*B. APPOINTMENTS**

<b>LAST</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE</b>
Grieshaber	Paul	CO	Bus Driver	1/6/2025
Nations	Samantha	GBT	4th Grade	2/10/2025

**C. TRANSFERS**

<b>LAST</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE</b>
Kidd	Robert	SAMS/CO	Non-Faculty Coach and Sub Bus Driver	1/21/2025