

ASHEBORO CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Professional Development Center
Regularly Scheduled Meeting
July 23, 2026

Policy Committee

Committee Members Present:

Hailey Lee, Policy Chair
Dr. Beth Knott
Scott Eggleston, Attorney

Dr. Brad Thomas
Gidget Kidd, Chair

Mikayla Cassidy
Melissa Calloway, Vice Chair

Other Board Members Present:

Ryan Patton

Baxter Hammer

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Aaron Woody

Gayle Higgs

Michelle Harger

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 p.m. by Hailey Lee, Policy Chair. Michelle Harger, Director of Support Services, reviewed the following (13) policies:

- **3420 Student Promotion and Accountability**
 - o Revises to remove confusion about whose decision it is for promotion for students on the extended content standards and is consistent with 115C-288. Powers and duties of Principal
 - o Note: this is a revision outside of School Boards Association
- **8000 Fiscal Goals**
 - o Annual review
 - o No revisions recommended
- **8100 Budget Planning and Adoption**
 - o Annual review
 - o No revisions recommended
- **8230 Penalties, Fines and Forfeitures**
 - o Change the wording from "county" to "local"
- **8330 Facsimile Signatures**
 - o Annual review
 - o No revisions recommended
- **8410 Individual School Accounts**
 - o Add "assistant finance officer" to wording
- **8411 School Fund Raising Activities**
 - o Annual review
 - o No revisions recommended
- **8520 School Treasurer**
 - o Annual review
 - o No revisions recommended
- **8530 Fidelity Bonds**
 - o Annual review

- o No revisions recommended
- **9010 Site Selection**
 - o Annual review
 - o No revisions recommended
- **9030 Facility Construction**
 - o Annual review
 - o No revisions recommended
- **9130 Supervision of Construction Contracts**
 - o Annual review
 - o No revisions recommended
- **9220 Security of Facilities**
 - o Annual review
 - o No revisions recommended

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m. by Hailey Lee, Policy Chair.

Finance Committee

Committee Members Present:

Adam Hurley, Finance Chair
Melissa Caloway, Vice Chair

Ryan Patton
Baxter Hammer

Gidget Kidd, Chair

Other Board Members Present:

Dr. Brad Thomas
Hailey Lee

Mikayla Cassidy

Dr. Beth Knott

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Aaron Woody

Sandra Spivey

Mr. Adam Hurley, Finance Chair, opened the meeting at 5:42 p.m.

Ms. Spivey reviewed the information included in the DPI Facility survey that will be presented for Board approval in the meeting. The survey occurs every five years. The County Commissioners must also acknowledge receipt of our survey results. We will be submitting the survey for their approval at their August 3rd meeting.

Ms. Spivey gave an update on the planning for the Zoo School. We continue to work with Bobbitt Construction on documents that will be useful in grant applications.

Ms. Spivey reviewed the state budget item that requires a plan be submitted by DPI for moving all districts to a single ERP system. We are unsure at this time what that will mean for SylogistEd. We are currently in our third year on the SylogistEd platform and have two years remaining on our contract.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:53 p.m. by Adam Hurley, Finance Chair.

Board of Education

Board Members Present:

Gidget Kidd, Chair
Dr. Beth Knott
Dr. Brad Thomas
Scott Eggleston, Attorney

Melissa Calloway, Vice Chair
Adam Hurley
Ryan Patton

Hailey Lee
Mikayla Cassidy
Baxter Hammer

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Aaron Woody
Dr. Wendy Rich
Blake Brewer
Michelle Harger

Gayle Higgs
Dr. Christina Kinley
Dr. Ana Floyd
Angel Etheridge

Anthony Woodyard
Sandra Spivey
Marian Gordon
Chandra Manning

Opening

Gidget Kidd, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance. Gidget Kidd, Chair, opened the meeting with a moment of silence and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Baxter Hammer and seconded by Dr. Brad Thomas, the Board voted unanimously to approve the meeting agenda.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Consent Agenda

Upon motion by Ryan Patton and seconded by Melissa Calloway, the Board unanimously approved the following items:

- A. Approval of Minutes for June 11, 2026, Board of Education Meeting and Minutes for special called meeting on June 25, 2026
- B. Policies for Approval:
 - 1310/4002 Parental Involvement
 - 4318 Use of Wireless Communication
 - 6220 Operation of School Nutrition Services
 - 7325 Video and Audio Recordings by Employees
- C. Personnel (see below)

Asheboro City Schools Personnel Transactions July 23, 2026

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

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Charles	Kelsey	CWM	3rd Grade Teacher	07/09/2026
Davis	Catherine	AHS	Health Science Teacher	07/07/2026

Lewis	Brittany	AHS	School Counselor	07/30/2026
Muse	Brian	AHS	Math Teacher	07/09/2026

***B. APPOINTMENTS**

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Cox	Trena	CO	Welcome Center Coordinator	07/01/2026
Goss Morton	Shannan	AHS	EC Teacher	08/06/2026
Ozment	Mackenzie	CWM	Instructional Assistant	08/12/2026

C. TRANSFERS

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Auman	Scarlet	CO	IT Specialist to GIC IT Support/ Spark NC Lab Leader	07/01/2026
Cox	Jody	CO	Director of Facilities & Maintenance to Assistant Director of Facilities & Maintenance	07/01/2026

D. ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENTS

LAST	FIRST	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Butts	Julita	Assistant Principal	08/01/2026 - 06/30/2028
Garner	Kerry	Assistant Principal	08/01/2026 - 06/30/2028

Information, Reports, and Recommendations

- A. Ms. Michelle Harger, Director of Support Services, shared the following Policies for Review:
 - Policy 7812 Evaluation of Superintendent
- B. Blue Comet Global Academy – Dr. Wendy Rich, Assistant Superintendent/Chief Academic Office, and Ms. Marian Gordon, Director of Global Education, provided an overview of the district's new remote academy, Blue Comet Global Academy, which has been approved by the state. Dr. Rich shared the academy's application and approval documentation from the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) with the Board. Ms. Gordon presented the vision and program overview for the academy, including how it will support the district's growth and meet the needs of all students, as well as its anticipated academic and operational impacts. She also provided an update on the planning and development of the academy and outlined next steps. The academy is scheduled to launch in January 2027 for students in grades 9-12, with plans to expand to grades 6-8 in Fall 2027.

***Action Items**

- A. Ms. Sandra Spivey, Chief Financial Officer, and Mr. Blake Brewer, Director of Facilities & Maintenance, requested approval of the Facility Needs Survey from the NCDPI Office of School Facilities. Ms. Spivey shared that we are required by the state to complete a facility needs assessment (long range plans) every five years. Upon motion by Ryan Patton and seconded by Hailey Lee the Board unanimously approved the request as presented.

Board Operations

Gidget Kidd, Chair, reviewed the following:

- A. Calendar of Events

- B. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be on August 13, 2026, in the Professional Development Center, unless otherwise posted.

Dr. Woody shared highlights from the Administrative Leadership Team (ALT) retreat held this week with principals, assistant principals and district leaders. He noted that the retreat centered on three themes from this week: renewed sense of urgency, renewed focus, and alignment.

Dr. Woody provided Board members with a folder containing documentation outlining Asheboro City Schools 2026-2026 accomplishments and points of pride for their review.

Closed Session

Under NC General Statute 143-318.11.A1, to prevent disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the Meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes, upon motion by Dr. Brad Thomas and seconded by Mikayla Cassidy, the Board unanimously approved to enter closed session to discuss the Superintendent's annual evaluation at 7:33 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business and upon motion by Dr. Brad Thomas and seconded by Mikayla Cassidy the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:04 p.m.

Chair

Secretary