

## **Board of Education Meeting**

### **Opening**

Chairman Michael Smith called the meeting to order, welcomed all in attendance, and began with a moment of silence. Following the moment of silence, Chairman Smith invited students from North Asheboro Middle School to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Gwen Williams and seconded by Vice-Chairman Baxter Hammer, the board unanimously approved the meeting agenda.

### **Special Recognitions**

- A. Mr. Graham Groseclose, Principal of North Asheboro Middle School, along with staff members and students, presented the School Spotlight presentation titled *SWRL*. *SWRL* stands for the four WIDA domains that students are assessed in annually, which are Speaking, Writing, Reading, Listening. The presentation centered around WIDA ACCESS testing, which is a computer-based, adaptive test that responds to student performance and may be administered in a group or individual setting.
- B. Mr. Graham Groseclose, Principal of North Asheboro Middle School, recognized Communities in Schools as their community partner. Mr. Groseclose shared that Ms. Paula Owens, Executive Director of Communities in Schools of Randolph County, and Communities in Schools has supported the students and staff at North Asheboro Middle School in various ways. Mr. Groseclose introduced Mr. Chester Gary and Mr. Steve Watson who share the position of Student Success Coach at NAMS, which is a position made possible through Communities in Schools.
- C. Ms. Barbara Skelly, Director of Exceptional Children, recognized the 2023 Educator of Excellence Ms. Kimberly Walls, an Exceptional Children teacher at Charles W. McCrary Elementary School.
- D. Ms. Mikayla Smith, Communications Specialist, presented Points of Pride which featured a variety of student, staff, and district highlights. These included: Third grade Science Day, Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations, NAMS students attend FFA Convention, fifth graders at Lindley Park visited the Charlotte Motor Speedway, U.N.I.T.E. Club at McCrary Elementary, NC Honors Chorus, viral video from South Asheboro Middle School, and the Asheboro High School HOSA conference.
- E. Dr. Aaron Woody, Superintendent, recognized board member Gwendolyn Williams and expressed his appreciation for her service on the Asheboro City Board of Education from 2017-2023. The book *I Am Enough* will be donated to the Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC) in honor of Ms. Williams.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Woody will be meeting with all schools over the next two weeks to conduct data meetings, to review report card data, discipline data, and early indicators for the second nine weeks. Our schools are engaged in after-school programming and extra support for all learners.

This weekend South Asheboro Middle School will host the Field of Honor from 12:00 p.m. on Friday, November 11, through Sunday, November 13 at 3:00 p.m. This is always a great opportunity to lift up veterans in our community.

Next week is American Education Week and we will be celebrating our teachers, leaders, and support staff all throughout Asheboro City Schools. We have a variety of activities planned, including kicking this off next week with donut delivery to all schools.

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As part of American Education Week, we will be hosting “Principal for the Day” at all our schools throughout the week next week. This is an opportunity for community leaders, officials, business leaders, faith partners, etc. to shadow our administrators and experience some of the great activities taking place in our schools...and of course our amazing teachers and students.

We will be hosting a Business After Hours event through the Asheboro Chamber of Commerce in the Asheboro High School media center next Thursday, November 16 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

### **Public Comments**

Mr. Todd Dulaney and Ms. Megan Crotty, both parents of students at Lindley Park Elementary School, shared concerns about the new policy updates as a result of the passing of the Parents’ Bill of Rights recently. They both stated that sexual abuse can happen to children much younger than fifth grade so education about sexual abuse should be taught to children younger than fifth grade.

### **Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of Minutes for October 5, 2023, Board of Education Meeting
- B. Policies Recommended for Approval:
  - Policy 1310/4002 – Parent Involvement
  - Policy 3210 – Parental Inspection of an Objection to Instructional Materials
  - Policy 3540 – Comprehensive Health Education Program
  - Policy 4335 – Criminal Behavior
  - Policy 4720 – Surveys of Students
  - Policy 6120 – Student Health Services
  - Policy 7300 – Staff Responsibilities
- C. Personnel
- D. Overnight Filed Trip – South Asheboro Middle School - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade to Washington, DC
- E. 2022-2023 Budget Transfer Report (Information Only)

### **Information, Reports, and Recommendations**

- A. Major John Howie presented an update about the Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AJFROTC) at Asheboro High School. Major Howie stated they have 120 cadets enrolled in the AFJROTC program and shared some of their accomplishments, extra-curricular activities, and leadership training opportunities.
- B. Mr. Anthony Woodyard, Chief Information Officer, shared information about the new #InnovateACS initiative. This initiative will recognize any Asheboro City Schools employee demonstrating innovative practices within our schools.
- C. Ms. Jessica Tinnin, SparkNC Lab Leader, shared a presentation about the new SparkNC Lab housed in the Asheboro City Schools Innovation Center. The SparkNC Lab courses allow students to explore high tech fields while earning high school credits. Ms. Tinnin shared the different SparkNC pathways offered and explained how students complete the pathways to get course credit. Ms. Tinnin introduced four students who shared their SparkNC experience.

### **\*Action Items**

- A. New Course Request for SparkNC Lab – Ms. Jessica Tinnin, SparkNC Lab Leader, requested approval for the High-Tech Learning Accelerator course for the SparkNC lab at Asheboro High School. The course was unanimously approved as presented.

- B. Continuous Improvement Plans (CIP) – Dr. Wendy Rich, Chief Academic Officer/Assistant Superintendent, requested board approval for the Continuous Improvement Plans (CIP) for the district and each school as presented at the October 5, 2023, board meeting. The request was unanimously approved as presented.
- C. Ms. Sandra Spivey Ayers, Chief Financial Officer, shared a presentation on the 2023-2024 Budget Resolution and requested approval of the 2023-2024 Budget. The request was unanimously approved as presented.

**Board Operations**

- A. Chairman Smith reviewed information regarding upcoming events.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be on December 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Professional Development Center, unless otherwise posted.

**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, the Board will enter closed session.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:18 p.m.

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

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Brewer	Kevin	CO	Maintenance/Bus Driver	10/3/2023

**\*B. APPOINTMENTS**

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Cranford	Cindy	BAL	EC Support (Temporary/part-time)	11/20/23-1/31/24
Diggs	Ronnie	CO	Bus Driver	10/23/2023
Piansay	Ivy	AHS	Exceptional Children	TBD
Watson	Sarah	SAMS	English Language Arts (Temporary/part-time)	10/30-12/20/2023
Wing	Charles	CO	Bus Driver	10/16/2023
York	Jeff	CO	Bus Driver	10/16/2023

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LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
N/A				

**\*B. APPOINTMENTS**

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Marini	Claudia	CO	EC Program Coordinator	TBD
Phelps	Sondra	AHS	Exceptional Children	11/27/2023
LeRoy	Kris	NAMS	Non-Faculty Coach Boys Soccer	2/1/2024

**C. TRANSFERS**

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Cox	Jody	CO	Maintenance Coordinator to Director of Facilities & Maintenance	11/1/2023