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

**Opening**

Chairman Kidd welcomed all in attendance. Mr. Darrell Frye, Chairman of the Randolph County Commissioners, called the meeting to order.

Dr. Aaron Woody, Superintendent, noted that a walk-through of the original Asheboro High School structure was held prior to the meeting.

Dr. Woody presented budget considerations including estimated continuation costs for the 2020-2021 school year and system-wide capital outlay considerations for the next five years.

Ms. Rhonda Angerio and Mr. Les Parker of Smith Sinnett Architecture presented the Phase III Renovation Proposal for Asheboro High School.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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**Board of Education Meeting**

**Opening**

Chairman Kidd called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. Chairman Kidd opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by South Asheboro Middle School students.

The Board unanimously approved the meeting agenda.

**Community Partner Spotlight** – Ms. Leigh Anna Marbert, Public Information Officer, recognized Mr. Hervenly Jean, of the Sunset Avenue Church of God, for the countless hours and resources he shares with students, teachers, and families of South Asheboro Middle School.

**Board Spotlight** – Mr. Ron Dixon, Principal of South Asheboro Middle School, reported on the use of the Check and Connect program at South Asheboro Middle School. A video was played showing how the school team helps students struggling in the classroom – academically and/or behaviorally – to connect and establish positive mentor relationships with trusted adults. Two students, along with their mentors, attended to discuss their participation in the program.

**Points of Pride** – Ms. Leigh Anna Marbert, Public Information Officer, shared the following points of pride:

**Spelling Bee Winners:** Congratulations to our school-level spelling bee winners! These students will compete in the Asheboro City Schools Spelling Bee on Tuesday, February 18 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium at South Asheboro Middle School.

-BAL – Alishba Dilshad

-DLL – Kellana Dunn

-SAMS – Jaxon Jensen

-NAMS – Alexis Acuna

-LP – Tyler White

-CWM – Takai Todoroki

-GBT – Mikey Browy

**Raleigh Brady Wins National Competition:** Congratulations Raleigh Brady from McCrary Elementary School! Raleigh wrote a fictional story for a national contest in the October/November issue of Scholastic StoryWorks Magazine. Raleigh's story was chosen as a winner! As a prize, she received a copy of *Blood on the River* by Elisa Carbone.

**AHS Football Coach:** On Jan. 28, Dr. Penny Crooks announced Mr. Blake Brewer as the new head football coach of the Blue Comet Varsity Football team. Coach Brewer has a heart for our students and a passion for AHS athletics. We are confident in his abilities to lead the team to success.

**National School Counselors Week:** National School Counseling Week 2020 highlights the tremendous impact school counselors can have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career. Thank you to our amazing Asheboro City Schools school counselors!

**Public Comments:** There were no requests to address the board.

**Consent Agenda**

The following items under the Consent Agenda were approved:

- A. Approval of Minutes – January 9, 2020 Board of Education Meeting and January 31-February 2, 2020 Board of Education Retreat
- B. Policies Recommended for Approval:
  - Policy 3620 - Extracurricular Activities and Student Organizations
  - Policy 4325 - Drugs and Alcohol
  - Policy 4333 - Weapons, Bomb Threats, Terrorist Threats, and Clear Threats to Safety
  - Policy 5070/7350 - Public Records – Retention, Release, and Disposition
  - Policy 5210 - Distribution and Display of Non-School Material
  - Policy 6305 - Safety and Student Transportation Services
  - Policy 7241 - Drug and Alcohol Testing of Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators
- C. Personnel (See the attached list)
- D. Overnight Field Trip Request, Guy B. Teachey Fifth Grade, Camp Hanes, King, NC, March 16-17, 2020
- E. Overnight Field Trip Request, Asheboro High School Wrestling Team, Kannapolis, NC, February 14-15, 2020
- F. Public School Building Capital Fund – NC Education Lottery Application
- G. Budget Amendment F-01
- H. Budget Amendment S-01
- I. Required Courses for High School Graduation

**Information, Reports and Recommendations**

- A. Policies recommended for 30-day review were presented by Dr. Drew Maerz:
  - Policy 1705 – Race and Equity
  - Policy 2300 – Board Meetings
  - Policy 6125 – Administering Medicines to Students
  - Policy 7100 – Recruitment and Selection of Personnel
  - Policy 7130 – Licensure
  - Policy 7240 – Drug-Free and Alcohol-Free Workplace
  - Policy 7410 – Teacher Contracts
- B. Mr. Jordi Roman, Director of Support Services, presented the proposed 2020-2021 School Calendar Revision being placed for 30-day review
- C. Mr. Jordi Roman, Director of Support Services, presented the proposed 2021-2022 School Calendar being placed for 30-day review.

**Action Items**

- A. Dr. Wendy Rich, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, presented the proposed upcoming Summer Academy Plan. The plan was approved as presented.
- B. Mr. Michael Smith, board member, was nominated and approved to serve as the Asheboro City Schools representative on the 2020 North Carolina School Boards Association Legislative Committee.

**Superintendent's Report / Calendar of Events**

- A. Dr. Aaron Woody, Superintendent, gave a brief update on the Strategic Plan goals, as follows:
  - 6-12 Pacing Guides:** Dr. Woody reported that through vertical team meetings, the 6-12 grade pacing guides have been updated.
  - Onesies:** We're excited to share we are launching a new partnership with Randolph Health's Maternity Services. As a gift to all new families and newborn babies at our local health care facility, Asheboro City Schools is providing a "Future Blue Comet" onesie. This small token is just one way we are able to give back to our community. We believe this partnership will allow us to plant the seed about elementary school, specifically Asheboro City Schools.

We are grateful to our partners at Randolph Health, Senior Director of Public Relations, April Thornton, and Director of Maternity Services, and Martica Craven, for their willingness to allow us to provide this gift to families in Asheboro and



Dr. Aaron M. Woody  
Superintendent

throughout Randolph County. We will continue to explore new partnerships to benefit our students, families, and community partners.

**-School Mental Health Support Personnel Report:** We are required per State Law 2019-222, Section 5.1.(a) to provide a report on school mental health support personnel by February 15. The law states we are to include the total number of each category of school mental health support personnel including school psychologists, school counselors, school nurses, and school social workers. The law also requires us to report the difference from the previous school year in the total number of each category employed by the district. To adhere to this law, Dr. Woody shared the number of staff in each of these categories and detailed the share the difference compared to last year. This report is solely for purposes of providing information to our school board per State Law 2019-222, Section 5.1.(a).

<u>Positions</u>	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
Psychologists	1.6	1.6
School Counselors	12	11.78
Certified Social Workers	2	2
Certified Nurses	6	5.92

As a note, included in the school counselor count, is our Mental Health Specialist, Ms. Suzanne Cash. We were able to add this position last school year.

**-Ms. Candace Call Retirement:** Dr. Woody recognized retiring Asheboro City Schools principal, Ms. Candace Call. Ms. Call has been a devoted public servant in North Carolina for the past 28 years. The last 10 years and eight months, Ms. Call has committed her life to our students in Asheboro City Schools (ACS). She started her career in ACS as principal at Donna Lee Loflin Elementary School, serving from July 2009 to June 2011. She then moved to North Asheboro Middle School in July 2011 and has served the students and staff there ever since. Ms. Call is known for establishing an inclusive culture throughout the school community, touting is as her “NAMily.” Ms. Call was named the Principal of the Year for the 2013-2014 school year, and again during the 2018-2019 school year. We thank Ms. Call again for her commitment and leadership in Asheboro City Schools. We wish her all the best as she embarks on her next adventure.

**Board Operations**

- A. Ms. Gidget Kidd, Chairman of the Asheboro City Board of Education, presented Board Committee Assignments for 2020.
- B. Chairman Kidd reminded the group of upcoming events.
- C. Chairman Kidd presented a letter of resignation from Ms. Joyce Harrington, board member, effective immediately. Dr. Beth Knott was appointed by Chairman Kidd to lead the appointment process of Ms. Harrington’s vacancy.

**Closed Session**

The board moved to Closed Session to discuss the superintendent’s mid-year evaluation.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Personnel

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

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Bucardo	Jennyfer	NAMS	Secretary (temporary)	1/31/2020
Farmer	Charlene	LP	Exceptional Children	2/28/2020
Marsh	Michelle	NAMS	Social Studies	2/11/2020
O'Briant	Lynda	AHS	Business (CTE)	6/30/2020

**\*B. APPOINTMENTS**

LAST	FIRST	SCHOOL	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE
Aguilar	Kaitlyn	NAMS	Secretary (temporary)	2/5/2020 - 5/1/2020
Allen	William	CO	Substitute (\$85 per day)	1/16/2020
Arroyo	Nicholas	AHS	Non-Faculty Coach; Boys Soccer	2/14/2020
Baber	Dena	CO	Substitute (\$103 per day)	1/9/2020
Carroll	Aileen	SAMS	Tutor (temporary; part-time)	2/3/2020-5/31/2020
Johnson	Cody	LP	After-School Program Assistant	1/15/2020
Lee	Hailey	CO	Substitute (\$85 per day)	1/18/2020
Ridge	Tarha	CO	Substitute (\$85 per day)	1/18/2020
Sabobgal	Jafeth	CO	Substitute (\$85 per day)	1/9/2020
Spinks	James	CO	Substitute Bus Monitor	2/6/2020
Urban	Deborah	ECDC	After-School Program Assistant	1/14/2020
Wirt	Taylor	CO	Substitute (\$85 per day)	12/11/2019
Duggins	Lourdes Lynsi	SAMS	Head Custodian	2/10/2020
Goley	"Rhianna"	CO	Substitute (\$85.00 per day)	2/14/2020 2/18/2020 -
Grant	Cathie	GBT	Tutor (temporary; part-time)	5/29/2020
Lowery	Kyosha	AHS	Non-Faculty Coach/Track and Field	2/14/2020
Phipps	Zachary	AHS	Non-Faculty Coach/Lacrosse	2/14/2020
Ratliff	Tony	AHS	Non-Faculty Coach/Football	3/1/2020
Rawson	Jacob	AHS	Non-Faculty Coach/Baseball	2/14/2020