MINUTES ASHE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 30, 2010

The meeting was held at the Ashe County Board of Education Annex as scheduled with all members present. Chairman King called the meeting to order, welcomed those in attendance, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda for the meeting was approved by general consensus of the Board.

A motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mrs. Witherspoon gave unanimous approval to the minutes for the regular meeting of the Board on June 7, 2010.

The Ashe Middle 21st Century Learning Team presented a summary on the 2009/10 21st Century Learning Grant. The team was happy to report that the selected 7th grade students had improved their End of Grade (EOG) test scores, social interaction, and team building skills. There was a 100% improvement on targeted students (2) who had ISS and/or OSS from the first semester compared to the second semester. The team also reported that the parent surveys turned in had all positive comments.

A motion by Mr. Weaver and a second by Dr. Beckworth gave unanimous approval to a request from Lonnda Brothers, who resides in Ashe County, to allow her daughter to attend school in Watauga County effective school year 2010/11.

A motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Dr. Beckworth gave unanimous approval to a request from Ashe Middle 21st Century Learning Team for an overnight trip to Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, July 26-28, 2010.

A motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mrs. Witherspoon gave unanimous approval to the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Local Plan for 2010/11 as presented by CTE Director Joallen Lowder.

Jennifer Wilson-Kearse, Director of College Awareness Programs at Appalachian State University, and Ashe County Schools 7-12 Curriculum Director Keith McClure presented information on GEAR UP (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs). GEAR UP, a federally funded program, supports college-ready academics, skills, and support and for students in grades 6-12, with hopes to increase graduation rates as well as post-secondary college enrollment. If awarded and approved, this grant would begin school year 2011/12.

A motion by Dr. Beckworth and a second by Mr. Weaver gave unanimous approval to submitting the 2010/11 Migrant Education Application as presented by K-6 Curriculum Director Kim Barnes.

A motion by Mrs. Witherspoon and a second by Mr. Jones gave unanimous approval to the 2010-2013 Academically/Intellectually Gifted Education Plan (AIG) for Ashe County Schools as presented by AIG Coordinator Teresa Stansberry.

A motion by Dr. Beckworth and a second by Mrs. Witherspoon gave unanimous approval to the consideration of revisions to Policy 3420, *Student Accountability Standards,* with changes to the policy as stated.

A motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mrs. Witherspoon gave unanimous approval to the consideration of revisions to Policy 3460, *Graduation Requirements*, with changes to the policy as stated.

A motion by Mrs. Witherspoon and a second by Dr. Beckworth gave unanimous approval to extend the following Child Nutrition Program bids for school year 2010/11 as presented by Child Nutrition Coordinator Angie Thompson.

- Isotonic beverage—Pepsi Bottling Ventures—no price increase
- Water and 100% juice—Dr. Pepper Bottling—no price increase
- Milk products—Pet Dairy—no price increase
- Bakery—Sara Lee Food and Beverage (Earthgrains)—no price increase
- Food and Supply—USFoods

A motion by Mr. Weaver and a second by Mr. Jones gave unanimous approval to the following 2009/10 budget amendments as presented by Assistant Superintendent for Finance Phyllis Yates.

The Ashe County Board of Education at a meeting on the 30th day of June 2010 passed the following resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010.

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
5000	Instructional programs		142,745
6000	Supporting services		100,000
8000	Non-programmed charges		100,000
9000	Capital building projects		300,000
4110	County appropriation	239,993	
4450	Interest	16,810	
4812	Articles 41/42 sales tax	25,000	
4910	Fund balance appropriated	360,942	

CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND

EXPLANATION

REALIGNMENT OF BUDGET TO EXPENDITURES
Total Appropriation in Current Budget 3,367,068
Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment (642,745)
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget 2,724,323

FEDERAL FUND

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
5000	Instructional programs		400,000
6000	Supporting services		100,000
8000	Non-programmed charges		400,000
3000	Federal revenues	900,000	

EXPLANATION

• REALIGNMENT OF BUDGET TO EXPENDITURES

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	5,085,534
Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment	(900,000)
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	4,185,534

Fund 8 Creation / Step 1

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
5000	Instructional programs	1,250,000	
6000	Supporting services	300,000	
7000	Ancillary	152,000	
8000	Non-programmed charges	50,000	
3000	State and Federal revenues		1,420,000
4000	Local and Other revenues		332,000

EXPLANATION

• CREATION OF FUND 8

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	1,752,000
Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment	0
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	1,752,000

Transfer from Fund 2 to Fund 8 / Step 2

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
5000	Instructional programs		1,250,000
6000	Supporting services		300,000
7000	Ancillary		152,000
8000	Non-programmed charges		50,000
3000	State and Federal revenues	1,349,604	
4000	Local and Other revenues	402,396	

EXPLANATION

• STEP 2 FOR CREATION OF FUND 8

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	6,489,847
Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment	(1,752,000)
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	4,737,847

CURRENT EXPENSE / Step 3

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
5000	Instructional programs		200,000
6000	Supporting services		480,000
8000	Non-programmed charges		50,000
4000	Local and Other revenues	730,000	

EXPLANATION

•	REALIGNMENT OF BUDGET TO EXPENDITURES	
	Total Appropriation in Current Budget Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment	4,737,847 (730,000)
	Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	4,007,847

DEALIGNMENT OF BUDGET TO EVDENDITUDES

A motion by Dr. Beckworth and a second by Mr. Weaver gave unanimous approval to the following Interim Appropriations Resolution for fiscal year 2010/11.

RESOLUTION INTERIM APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2010/11

BE IT RESOLVED that the Finance Officer for the Ashe County Board of Education be, and hereby is, authorized to continue paying salaries and the usual, ordinary expense in amounts not to exceed those set in the current budget period. This authorization is to be effective from July 1, 2010 until the adoption of a new budget resolution pursuant to North Carolina G. S. 115C-434. Any such interim appropriations expended shall be charged to the proper appropriation in the 2010/11 budget upon adoption.

A motion by Mr. Weaver and a second by Dr. Beckworth gave unanimous approval to the following personnel recommendations.

CERTIFIED

Teachers

- Employment of Ryan Claar as band director at Ashe High effective August 2, 2010 (contingent upon background screening)
- Resignation/retirement of Jerry Michael Eldreth, physical education teacher at Blue Ridge, effective July 1, 2010
- Resignation/retirement of Belinda "Bendy" Pennington, 6th grade teacher at Blue Ridge, effective July 1, 2010
- Request from Harry Calloway, math teacher at Ashe Middle, for medical leave of absence beginning May 21, 2010, and ending on or about June 4, 2010
- Request from Teresa Williams, teacher for exceptional children at Mountain View, for medical leave of absence beginning May 24, 2010, and ending on or about June 10, 2010

Prior approval to employ the following vacant positions

- Certified staff as necessary to begin the 2010/11 school year
- Substitute teachers

CLASSIFIED

Afterschool

 Resignation of Elizabeth King, 4-H on-site coordinator at Blue Ridge, effective end of day June 4, 2010

Cafeteria Assistant

• Resignation/retirement of Phyllis Eldreth, cafeteria assistant at Blue Ridge, effective July 1, 2010

Coach

• Addition of Justin Grubb as volunteer assistant JV basketball to the list of approved coaches at Ashe High

Custodian

• Employment of James Dorinzi as part-time custodian at Blue Ridge effective June 16, 2010

Transportation

• Resignation of George "Frankie" Floyd as transportation mechanic at the bus garage effective June 30, 2010

Prior approval to employ the following vacant positions

- Transportation mechanic
- Custodian (part-time, 7 hours/day) at Ashe High
- Classified staff as necessary to begin the 2010/11 school year

Information items included

- Ashe County Board of Education 9th Annual Endowment Fund Golf Tournament at Jefferson Landing, Wednesday, July 21, 2010, beginning at 9:00 am
- Minutes from the special meeting between Ashe County Board of Commissioners and Ashe County Board of Education held on June 8, 2010

Superintendent Reeves recognized Keith McClure and John Gregory on their retirement and those in attendance gave a standing ovation.

A motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Dr. Beckworth gave unanimous approval to taking a short recess prior to going into closed session at 8:45 pm for the purpose of discussing [the terms of an employment contract]. [N.C. General Statue §143-318.11(a)(5)]

The Board returned to regular session at 10:48 pm. Mr. Weaver left during closed session due to health reasons.

A motion by Dr. Beckworth and a second by Mr. Jones gave unanimous approval (4-0) to the following personnel recommendations.

 Resignation of James T. Sechrest as masonry teacher at Ashe High due to health reasons effective May 12, 2010

- Reassignment of Mark Shepherd from interim masonry teacher to permanent masonry teacher at Ashe High effective August 2, 2010
- Reassignment of Terry Richardson from teacher for exceptional children at Westwood to assistant principal at Westwood effective July 1, 2010

A motion by Mrs. Witherspoon and a second by Mr. Jones gave unanimous approval (4-0) to the following cuts from the 2010/11 budget.

- Elimination of the K-6 Spanish program
- Elimination of the K-12 media assistant program
- Elimination of one JROTC position due to decrease in enrollment

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 10:53 pm.