

SPECIAL MEETING
ASHE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 17, 2015

The special meeting was held as scheduled with all members present. Chairman King called the meeting to order.

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

The request from Paul Daly to allow his daughter to attend school in Watauga County was rescheduled from the regular August meeting to this special meeting. Mrs. Daly called just prior the meeting to withdraw the request—their daughter, now plans to attend school in Ashe County.

A motion by Mr. Williams and a second by Vice Chairman Jones gave unanimous approval to the following personnel recommendations.

CERTIFIED

Teachers

- Resignation of Lindsey Postlethwait, art teacher at Blue Ridge, effective August 4, 2015
- Employment of Dustin Roten, math teacher at Ashe High, effective August 11, 2015 (prior approval)

Substitute Teachers

- Addition of Mark Baldwin, Madison Cook, Caitlyn O'Donnell, Jenny Sluder and Tamara Wheatley to the approved substitute teacher list

Employee Leaves

- Request from Brandi Hurley, teacher of exceptional children at Westwood, for a parental leave of absence beginning on or about November 4, 2015 and ending on February 1, 2016 (FMLA = 12 weeks)
- Request from Catherine Robinson, math teacher at Ashe Middle, for a parental leave of absence beginning on or about October 15, 2015 and ending on February 19, 2016 (FMLA = 12 weeks)
- Request from Johnna Church, social studies/language arts teacher at Ashe Middle, for a parental leave of absence beginning on or about November 16, 2015 and ending on April 4, 2016 (FMLA = 12 weeks)

Prior approval to employee the following vacant positions

- Art teacher at Blue Ridge
- Substitute teachers

CLASSIFIED

Cafeteria Assistant

- Reassignment of Emily Sheets from substitute cafeteria assistant with Ashe County Schools to part-time cafeteria assistant at Blue Ridge effective August 13, 2015 (prior approval)
- Reassignment of Kristy Townsend from substitute cafeteria assistant with Ashe County Schools to part-time cafeteria assistant at Ashe High effective August 13, 2015 (prior approval)

- Promotion of Penny Roten from part-time cafeteria assistant at Ashe High to full-time cafeteria assistant at Ashe High effective August 13, 2015 (prior approval)
- Employment of Mary Steelman as full-time cafeteria assistant at Ashe High effective August 17, 2015 (prior approval)

Office Support

- Resignation of Janie Hensdell, part-time bookkeeper at Mountain View, effective August 28, 2015

Teacher Assistants

- Resignation of Sherry Blevins, teacher assistant for exceptional children at Blue Ridge, effective August 11, 2015
- Re-employment of Stacy Greer as interim teacher assistant for exceptional children at Westwood effective August 17, 2015 (prior approval)
- Re-employment of Jessica Calhoun as teacher assistant for exceptional children at Mountain View effective August 19, 2015
- Transfer of Penelope Greer from teacher assistant at Westwood to teacher assistant/bookkeeper at Mountain View effective August 11, 2015 (prior approval)

Tutor

- Employment of Annerys Soto as part-time ESL tutor at Mountain View effective August 20, 2015 contingent upon results from pre-employment screening

Prior approval to employ the following vacant positions

- Communities in School coordinator
- Teacher assistant for exceptional children at Blue Ridge
- Substitute bus drivers
- Substitute cafeteria assistants
- Classified staff as necessary to begin the 2015/16 school year

A motion by Dr. Beckworth and a second by Mrs. Jones gave unanimous approval to the LEA Based Calendar Waiver Request for 2016/17.

At 7:25 pm, a motion by Vice Chairman Jones and a second by Dr. Beckworth gave unanimous approval to going into closed session to discuss personnel action that involves an officer or employee of this Board [N.C. General Statute §143-318.11(a)(6)] and real estate [N.C. General Statute §143-318.11(a)(5)]. No action was taken.

Upon return to regular session at 9:40 pm, the Chairman immediately declared the meeting adjourned.