

MINUTES
ASHE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
June 29, 2017

The June/July meeting was held as scheduled with all members present. Chairman Jones called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

A motion by Dr. Beckworth and a second by Mrs. Jones gave unanimous approval to the regular minutes of the Board on June 5, 2017.

A motion by Vice Chairman King and a second by Mrs. Jones gave unanimous approval to revisions to Policy 4316 *Student Dress Code* as recommended by the school-based administration.

A motion by Mr. Williams and a second by Dr. Beckworth gave unanimous approval to the revised Beginning Teacher Support Plan as presented by Director of Human Resources Lesia Goodman. The major change in the plan requires that mentoring teachers be accomplished in three of the five evaluation standards.

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

CERTIFIED

Teachers

- Employment of David Koontz as CTE teacher at Ashe High effective August 16, 2017 and contingent upon pre-employment screening (prior approval)
- Re-employment of Pam Cole as regular classroom teacher at Westwood Elementary effective June 14, 2017 (prior approval)
- Resignation of Sarah Schambach, middle grades language arts/social studies teacher at Ashe Middle, effective June 25, 2017
- Resignation of Tara Miller as school counselor at Ashe High effective June 14, 2017
- Transfer of Paula Carlton from band teacher at Ashe Middle to band teacher at Ashe High effective July 1, 2017 (prior approval)
- Transfer of Charles Johnson from teacher of exceptional children at Westwood to teacher of exceptional children at Blue Ridge effective August 16, 2017
- Transfer of Jodi Grubb from teacher of exceptional children at Ashe Middle to teacher of exceptional children at Westwood effective August 16, 2017
- Re-employment of Chelsea Craine as teacher of exceptional children at Ashe Middle effective August 16, 2017

Employee Leaves

- Request from Emily Roten, 3rd grade teacher at Blue Ridge, for a parental leave of absence beginning on or about September 4, 2017 and ending on November 27, 2017 (FMLA = 12 weeks)
- Request from Rachel Nave-Lewis, music teacher at Blue Ridge, for a parental leave of absence beginning on or about August 28, 2017 and ending on November 20, 2017 (FMLA = 12 weeks)

Prior approval to employ the following vacant positions

- School counselor at Ashe High
- Band teacher at Ashe Middle
- Middle grades social studies/language arts teacher
- Math teacher at Ashe High due to reorganization of staff to fill new curriculum facilitator position
- Certified staff as necessary to begin the 2017/18 school year
- Substitute teachers

CLASSIFIED**Cafeteria Manager**

- Resignation/retirement of Edwina Parsons, cafeteria manager at Ashe High, effective July 1, 2017

Prior approval to employ the following vacant positions

- Cafeteria manager at Ashe High
- Classified staff as necessary to begin the 2017/18 school year
- Substitute bus drivers
- Substitute cafeteria assistants

A motion by Dr. Beckworth and a second by Mrs. Jones gave unanimous approval to the following 2016/17 budget amendments as presented by Finance Officer Amanda Coldiron.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following amendments be made to the Budget Resolution for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.

STATE FUND

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
5000	Instructional programs		400,000
6000	Supporting services		150,000
7000	Ancillary	4,000	
8000	Non-programmed charges		
3000	State Revenues	546,000	

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	22,265,573
Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment	<u>(546,000)</u>
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	21,719,573

CURRENT EXPENSE FUND

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
5000	Instructional programs		375,000
6000	Supporting services		450,000
7000	Ancillary	2,500	
8000	Non-programmed charges		
4000	Appropriated fund balance	822,500	

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	5,858,331
Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment	<u>(822,500)</u>

Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	5,035,831
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FEDERAL FUND

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
5000	Instructional programs		100,000
6000	Supporting programs	4,500	
8000	Non-programmed charges		
3000	Revenues	95,500	

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	2,282,791
Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment	<u>(95,500)</u>

Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	2,187,291
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CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
5000	Instructional services		
6000	Support services		195,000
7000	Ancillary services		
8000	Non-programmed charges	195,000	
9000	Land, buildings, renovations, vehicles, etc		
3000	Yellow buses, vehicles, QSCB (state funds)		
4000	Local revenues		

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	2,001,558
Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment	<u>0</u>
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	2,001,558

CHILD NUTRITION FUND

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
7000	Supporting services		20,000
4000	Local revenues		
4910	Fund balance		
8000	Non-programmed charges	20,000	

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	2,382,258
Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment	<u>0</u>
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	2,382,258

LOCAL FUND 8

CODE NUMBER	CODE DESCRIPTION	DEBIT	CREDIT
5000	Instructional programs	280,000	
6000	Supporting services		
7000	Ancillary		
8000	Non-programmed charges	25,000	
3000	State and Federal revenues		305,000
4000	Local revenues		

Total Appropriation in Current Budget	1,617,466
Amount of Increase/(Decrease) for Amendment	<u>305,000</u>
Total Appropriation in Current Amended Budget	1,922,466

A motion by Mr. Williams and a second by Vice Chairman King gave unanimous approval to the following Resolution for Interim Appropriations for fiscal year 2017/18.

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, 2017 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 2017/18 budget upon adoption.

A motion by Mrs. Jones and a second by Mr. Williams gave unanimous approval to amending the lease agreement with American Legion Post 275 to provide an opt-out clause should the Board of Education ever have need for said property.

Student Services Coordinator Jamie Little gave a final update on the Read to Achieve Summer Camp. There were 140 participants in grades 1-3, 26 of which were the required countywide 3rd graders. Of those 26, 9 students showed proficiency at the end of camp. Students were engaged in a number of learning activities and went home at camp end with a book bag filled with books, a parent guide and their workbook.

The Superintendent shared an excerpt from the North Carolina English Language Arts Standard Course of Study which becomes effective the 2018/19 school year. The school system is already underway in preparing teachers for these changes.

The Superintendent shared a report on the number of out-of-county transfer requests from 2012 until present. A total of 54 requests have been approved during this time frame, the majority of which were released to Watauga County where the parents are employed.

Tuesday, July 11, 2017 was established as the date to finalize the 2017/18 local budget. The dinner meeting will begin at 5:00 pm in the annex.

The Superintendent expressed appreciation to everyone for their support during the first year of her administration. She also commented on several activities in which she has been involved at the school and community levels.

The following announcements and information were shared with the Board.

- Wednesday, July 20—Endowment Golf Tournament—Mountain Aire
- Monday, August 14—regular meeting of the Board—*rescheduled*
- Wednesday, August 16—first day for teachers
- Monday, August 21—first day for students

At 7:30 pm, the Board took a short recess prior to going into closed session for the purpose of considering a 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)]. The Board went into closed session at 7:41 pm and returned to regular session at 8:37 pm. No action was taken.

Upon return to regular session, the Chairman immediately declared the meeting adjourned.