



**Allegheny County Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Allegheny County Board of Education, Central Office Conference Room
85 Peachtree St, Sparta, NC 28675
May 11, 2021**

Present: Amy Bottomley, Steve Carpenter, Donna Rea, and Jason Williams. Board member Jason Carpenter joined by teleconference due to a work conflict.

Staff members present and participating: Chad Beasley; Superintendent, Scott Carter; Associate Superintendent, Fred Johnson; Board Attorney who attended by teleconference.

I. Moment of Silence.

II. Call to Order. Donna Rea, Board Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

III. Pledge of Allegiance – Donna Rea, Board Chair asked Board Member Steve Carpenter, to lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Public Comments – Mrs. Rea called for public comments. There were none.

V. Approval of Agenda. Chair, Donna Rea asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Steve Carpenter made a motion to approve the agenda. Amy Bottomley seconded the motion. The board approved 5-0.

VI. Approval of Minutes. Steve Carpenter made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for March 15, 2021 and April 20, 2021. Jason Williams seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by vote of 5-0.

VII. Announcements-Reports

A. Superintendent's Report—Mr. Beasley

- 1. Schneider Electric Update.** Lighting projects have begun. It will be June before they begin on the boiler at Sparta School.
- 2. Auditorium Update.** Mr. Beasley discussed a meeting he had with the County Manager and discussed doing repairs to the heat and air. They are looking at funding. It will be a large project. Mr. Beasley is going to meet with the County Manager again in the next few months.
- 3. Construction/Maintenance Updates.** Work has started on the Sparta School gym. They will finish up the other projects when school is out. Still waiting on the soil testing before the bleacher project can begin. Mr. Williams asked to attend the next meeting at the auditorium.
- 4. COVID Updates.** No staff are positive or quarantined. One student is positive and sixteen are in quarantine.
- 5. ESSER II/III Updates.** The ESSER funds are all COVID related. The Directors have worked for four days to put a budget together. We are waiting on approval. The budgets are adjustable if we need to. Mr. Beasley will update the board when we get approval. The projects submitted mostly focus on student learning. Mr. Beasley added that he would also like to look at adding another Guidance Counselor. He would also like to add another Instructional Coach and an MTSS Coordinator. The board asked if changes could be made. Mr. Beasley informed the board that amendments and adjustments could be made as we go along.
- 6. Summer School Plan.** Mr. Beasley turned the meeting over to Mr. Vogler to go over the Summer School Plan. Basic highlights – we are expecting around 200 students. Every student who was identified as at risk was sent an invitation. Our schedule for delivering in person instruction will include: June 7-July 8 (July 5th-Holiday) Monday-Thursday 7:30-4:30. Third Grade will have 4 hours of reading instruction, 3 hours of math instruction, .5 hours of science instruction, 30 minutes of daily PE, Breakfast and Lunch will be provided for all students, they will also

receive 30 minutes of enrichment to include music, art, or guidance classes. Fourth – Eighth Grade - schedule for delivering in person instruction will include: June 7-July 8 (July 5th-Holiday) Monday-Thursday 7:30-4:30. Students will receive 3 hours of reading instruction and 3 hours of math instruction.

B. Board Chair's Report

1. June Meeting Date changed to June 1, 2021
2. Date for June meeting to close Fiscal Year - June 29, 2021

VIII. Consent Agenda

A. Federal Grant Applications Approval for 2020-2021

The above item was approved by consent agenda.

IX. New Business

A. Approval - Mowing Bid

Steve Carpenter made a motion to approve the bid. Amy Bottomley seconded. The board approved the motion 5-0.

X. Old Business

A. Second Reading Spring 2021 PLS Updates

Jason Williams made a motion to approve the second reading. Steve Carpenter seconded the motion. The board approved 5-0.

XI. Closed Session. Jason Williams made a motion to go into closed session. Steve Carpenter seconded the motion. The board voted 5-0 to enter closed session at 6:04pm for the following purposes: to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential under state or federal law, including but not limited to N.C.G.S. 115C-3129, N.C.G.S. 115C-402, and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (1); to consult with its attorney in order to preserve the attorney client privilege, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11 (a) (3); to consider the qualification, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of employment of an individual public officer or employee, or prospective public officer or employee, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a) (6).

XII. Open Session. Steve Carpenter made a motion to enter Open Session at 7:35pm. Jason Williams seconded the motion. The board approved the motion to enter open session 5-0.

A. Personnel Report. On a motion by Steve Carpenter, seconded by Amy Bottomley, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the personnel report as amended:

New Hire Recommendations:

Meagan Williams Kennedy- (speech language pathologist) 8/4/2021

Andrew Savage- Technology Tech 5/24/2021

Resignations:

David Greene Bus Driver. 4/30/2021

Holli Whitehead GCS TA 7/31/2021

Madeline Marion 3rd Grade at GCS 6/04/2021

Audra Milgrim EC teacher SES/AHS 6/04/2021

Transfers:

Jackie Bryan - Teacher to TA at Sparta 8/4/2021

Nancy Carpenter- TA GCS to CO Receptionist/Assistant 6/1/2021

Penny Evans- Assigned GC from Sparta due to Remote, Remain at Sparta

Melissa Vestal - Principal AHS to Principal at Piney Creek

Travis Sturgill - Principal Piney Creek to Principal at AHS

XII. Adjourn. Steve Carpenter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Amy Bottomley. The board approved the motion 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.

Chairman

Secretary