

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Central Elementary School
Gymnasium
435 Stadium Drive
Eden, NC 27288
May 25, 2022
12:00 Noon

Board Work Session

Present: Ms. Kimberly McMichael, Board Chair and Ms. Vicky Alston, Vice Chair. Board Members: Ms. Paula Rakestraw, Mr. Brent Huss, Mr. Doug Isley, Ms. Vickie McKinney and Mr. Bob Wyatt. Administrative staff: Dr. Rodney Shotwell, Superintendent; Dr. Charles Perkins, Assistant Superintendent Curriculum and Instruction; Dr. Sonja Parks, Assistant Superintendent of Operations and Logistics; Dr. Cindy Corcoran, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services; Dr. Ken Scott, Executive Director of Human Resources; Ms. Annie Ellis, Chief Financial Officer; Board Attorney, Mr. Nick Herman and Ms. Renée Everhart, Board Assistant were present. Board Member Brent Huss attended by call-in.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. McMichael called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

The Board members stated their names. All seven members were present at roll call.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. McMichael announced the next regular Board Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 13, 2022 to be held at Rockingham County Schools Central Administrative Offices, at 511 Harrington Highway, Eden, NC.

Ms. McMichael announced there is no Work Session scheduled in June.

Ms. McMichael announced the 2022 High School Graduation Ceremonies as listed:

- McMichael High is scheduled Thursday June 9, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the football stadium (rain date is June 10 at 7:30 p.m.)
- Morehead High is scheduled Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the football stadium (rain date is June 10 at 7:30 pm)
- Reidsville High is scheduled Friday, June 10, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the football stadium (rain date is June 11 at 9:00 a.m.)
- Rockingham County High is scheduled Friday, June 10, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the football stadium (rain date is June 11 at 9:00 a.m.)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Alston moved that the Board approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Rakestraw seconded the motion. The vote was 7/0.

ACTION ITEM

Head Start Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) and Quality Improvement Budget Narrative and Justification:

Ms. McMichael recognized Dr. Cindy Corcoran for a presentation on behalf of Head Start. Dr. Corcoran presented a for board approval the Head Start Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). Dr. Corcoran presented the request for the Head Start Cost of Living Adjustment and requested board approval for the COLA as presented (Attachment 1-A).

Dr. Corcoran presented secondly, the Quality Improvement Budget Narrative and Justification for board approval (Attachment 2-A). Dr. Corcoran requested board approval of the Quality Improvement Budget narrative and justification.

Action: Mr. Wyatt moved the board approve the cost of living adjustment for Head Start as presented. Mr. Isley seconded the motion. The vote was 7/0.

Action: Mr. Wyatt moved the board approve the quality improvement budget narrative and justification for Head Start as presented. Ms. McKinney seconded the motion. The vote was 7/0.

REPORTS / DISCUSSION ITEMS

North Carolina VW Grant:

Ms. McMichael recognized Dr. Sonja Parks for a presentation regarding the VW Grant - Yellow School Bus update. Dr. Parks presented an introduction of the VW Grant. Mr. Cris Cox, Transportation Director, presented the details of the VW Grant, stating the school district would be working with Duke Energy and Thomas Built Buses to obtain 2 all-electric school buses and an additional 3 diesel yellow school buses through the VW Grant (Attachment 3-A). Mr. Cox introduced Mr. Phil Lockland, Thomas Built Bus representative, to answer questions for the board. Mr. Lockland stated the all-electric bus charge would last for 135 miles. Mr. Cox and Mr. Lockland answered board member's questions.

Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)

Ms. McMichael recognized Ms. Annie Ellis for comments regarding the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR). Ms. Ellis stated the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 included the statistical data related to the community and Rockingham County. It also includes the financial report prepared by the auditors. Ms. Ellis provided the link as is listed on the RCS website to view the ACFR.

https://www.rock.k12.nc.us/_files/ugd/8ad191_c268268a1b084bce82ab041a33ac269e.pdf

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Ms. McMichael requested a moment of silence to remember the families, parents, students and community that lost lives from the school shooting in Uvalde, Texas.

The Board took a 10-minute break.

CLOSED SESSION

Action: Mr. Isley moved to go into Closed Session pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11 (1)(3)(6)(8) to discuss confidential matters, personnel matters, and preserve attorney client privilege. Ms. Rakestraw seconded the motion. The vote was 7/0.

Action: Ms. Alston moved to return to open session, seconded by Ms. Rakestraw. The vote was 7/0.

OPEN SESSION

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Administrator Contracts:

Employments:

—Administration

—Licensed

Lisa Barnett
Effective 8/17/22
Kelly Barrow
Effective 8/17/22
Megan Behe
Effective 8/17/22
Cheryl Ellixson

Effective 8/17/22
Marianna Fittante
Effective 5/16/22
Alexandria Gomez
Effective 8/17/22
Marieke Maccione
Effective 8/17/22
Joy Patterson
Effective 8/17/22
Kristen Perkinson
Effective 8/17/22
Elizabeth Shelton
Effective 8/17/22
Destiney Thomas
Effective 8/17/22
—**Classified**
Jamie Riddle
Effective e 8/17/22
Sandra Scales
Effective 7/11/22
Terry York
Effective 6/6/22
TERMINATIONS:
—**Administration**
—**Licensed**
—**Classified**
TRANSFERS:
—**Administration**
—**Licensed**
Taneshia Artis
Effective 8/17/22
Taylor Corcoran
Effective 8/17/22
Katie Gunn
Effective 8/17/22
Kaleb Houchins
Effective 8/17/22
—**Classified**
Stephanie Koger
Effective 6/6/22
Lori Snipes
Effective 5/11/22
Robin Woods
Effective 4/1/22
Resignations:
—**Administration**
—**Licensed**
Dawn Anderson
Effective 6/16/22
Louis Arevalo
Effective 6/30/22
David Bynam
Effective 6/30/22
Ashley Doss
Effective 6/8/22
Tiffany Kiss
Effective 6/30/22
Amber Mains
Effective 5/11/22
Samantha O'Connor
Effective 6/10/22
Gabrielle Samuels
Effective 6/30/22
Carter Timberlake
Effective 6/10/22

Constance Wade
Effective 6/10/22
Katie Winfrey
Effective 6/10/22

-Classified

Breanna Doss
Effective 6/10/22

Retirements:

—Administrative

—Licensed

Penny Caple
Effective 6/30/22

Teresa Nickens
Effective 6/30/22

—Classified

Leave Request:

None

Action: Ms. Alston moved to accept the personnel report and addendum as presented, seconded by Ms. Alston. The vote was 6/1. Mr. Isley voted in opposition.

Action: Mr. Wyatt moved to approve the amend the contract of the three Assistant Superintendents to move the five percent (5%) bonus currently in their contracts to their salary, effective July 1, 2022 as presented. Ms. Alston seconded the motion. The vote was 5/2. Mr. Isley and Mr. Huss voted opposed.

Action: Mr. Isley moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. McKinney. The vote was 7/0.

Minutes read and approved:

Ms. Kimberly McMichael, Board Chair
Rockingham County Board of Education

Dr. Rodney Shotwell
Superintendent of Schools

June 13, 2022