

SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

The Haywood County Board of Education met in a regular session Monday, March 14, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. and took the following action:

Chairman Francis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Larry Harbin gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Francis announced the next regular Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 11, 2011. Chairman Francis shared a thank you letter from Brian Briggs regarding his appointment to the Haywood Community College Board of Trustees.

Chairman Francis congratulated the Haywood County Schools Foundation for a successful Mardi Gras fundraising event.

Recognized Haywood Middle Academy Students for their work regarding water pollution. Students Chris Ware and Nathan Jones were present to address the Board regarding their research project.

Beverly Elliott addressed the Board regarding a letter concerning Senate Bill 8 that was sent home with students by a school principal. Mrs. Elliott inquired whether or not school resources were used and expressed her concern over students being used as a vehicle for distribution of this type of information.

Norman Medford addressed the Board regarding a letter he had received in his son's backpack regarding Senate Bill 8. Mr. Medford stated the letter had been prepared by and distributed to students by school officials. Mr. Medford asked whether or not the Board and/or the Superintendent had knowledge of the letter and its distribution. He also shared other concerns about a school.

Kristie Norton addressed the Board regarding concerns she has about a school.

James Robertson addressed the Board to express his concern about receiving the letter regarding Senate Bill 8, stating he feels it is inappropriate to send a letter of this nature home with children. Mr. Robertson stated he feels there is a general frustration with the way things are being conducted with the school in question and asked the Board to look at how things are being conducted.

Bruce Gardner addressed the Board regarding a principal taking two days in March to address the North Carolina Senate for a total of four minutes regarding Senate Bill 8. Mr. Gardner inquired whether or not the principal was on school time or took personal leave.

Approved February 14, 2011 closed and regular session minutes and March 7, 2011 called session minutes.

Heard an update from Knox Hardin on change in graduation dates. Pisgah High School's graduation ceremonies will be conducted on Tuesday, June 14th at 7:00 p.m. at the WCU Ramsey Center and Tuscola High School's graduation ceremonies will be conducted on Wednesday, June 15th at 7:00 p.m. at the WCU Ramsey Center. There was no change for Central Haywood High School's graduation ceremony – it remains on Monday, June 13th at 6:00 p.m. at Haywood Community College.

Approved a resolution regarding SB8.

Heard revised policy C-04 Report Cards, Progress Reports and Student Assessments for information only. The policy was tabled until the next regular meeting to allow for public input.

Approved regular monthly financial reports.

Approved allowing the Haywood County Schools' Foundation to begin immediately paying for Foundation Director Steve Brown's travel expense at a \$1500.00 annual savings to Haywood County Schools.

Heard the following personnel items and took action as necessary:

I. Separation from Employment

Name	Position	School	Effective
Nancy Pressley	Teacher Assistant	NCE	7/01/11
Ruth Gragg	Teacher Assistant	CLY	7/01/11
Lynn Scarboro	Clerical	CO	7/01/11
Debbie Reese	Teacher	Bethel	7/01/11
Beverly Henderson	Teacher	MBK	7/01/11
Joseph Pandolfi	Custodian/Bus Driver	RES	6/01/11
Donna Fox	Teacher (EC)	JUN	2/22/11
Larry Smith	Finance Director	CO	3/02/11
Leisa Morrow	Clerical	ITC	3/17/11
Margaret Bowers	Teacher	MBK	7/01/11
Linda Evans	Teacher Assistant	HWD	7/01/11
Ginger Young	Teacher – AIG	RES	7/01/11
Karen McClure	Child Nutrition worker	SFS	2/14/11
Charlene Blevins	Child Nutrition worker	RES	2/13/11
Jon Britt	After-School Worker	Clyde	2/17/11
Shelia Nix	Payroll Supervisor	CO	3/02/11

IV. Employment

Name	Position	School	Effective
Donna Hannah	Pt-time Temp. Title 1 Tutor	JVE	2/28/11
Bill Harter	Bus Driver - Fulltime	BMS	2/28/11
Jackie Stiles	Bus Driver – Fulltime	BMS	3/16/11
Shawn Watts	After-sch prog – PT temp	WMS	3/15/11
Beverly Ketner	Pt-tme Tmp.Title1Math Tutor	HWD	3/07/11
Anne Hockenberry	Teacher – Exceptional Child	JUN	3/ 24/11
Kaley Strayer	After School Program worker	CLY	3/14/11

V. Employee Status Change (for approval)

Employee	Chg from	Chg to	Effective
Carla Melton	17.5 hr. Title 1 TA-Hazelwood	19.5 hr. Title 1 TA	3/07/11
Vicki Queen	4hrs Child Nutrition worker	5hrs. Child Nutrition	3/14/11
Rita Taylor	Bus Driver –Resigned only	Custodian only	3/31/11
Sandy Myers	Asst. Cafeteria Mgr.- Tuscola (55)	Manager – CMS (57)	3/17/11
Patsy Pace	Cafeteria Mgr. Canton Mid (57)	Asst. Mgr THS (55)	3/17/11

VI. Coaching Contracts

Name	Purpose	School	Season
Matthew Golden	Assistant Baseball Coach	BMS	Spring 2011
Anita Clark	Assistant Girl's Track	BMS	Spring 2011
Will Warren	Assistant Baseball Coach	PHS	Spring 2011
Ricky Warren	Head Golf Coach	CMS	Spring 2011
Bonita Swatsky	Assistant Track Coach	CMS	Spring 2011
John Greene	Athletic Director	BMS	Spring 2011

VII. Volunteers

Name	Purpose	School	Season
Walter Scruggs	Assistant Golf Coach	BMS	Spring 2011

VIII. Contracts

Name	Purpose	School	Purpose
School House Partners	Grant Writing	Alternative Learning Center	Procure Funding
██████████	Transportation	██████████	Transport student
Dixon Hughes PLLC	Accounting Consulting	Central Office	Forensic investigation
Heather Downs*	After-School Program	WMS	Exercise Class

*Current employee

IX. Substitutes

Name	Status	Position	Effective
Sarah Marie Smith	Certified	Substitute Teacher	2/15/11
Jessica Benson	SFS	Child Nutrition Substitute	3/15/11
Misty Trantham	Bus	Bus Driver Substitute	3/15/11
Rose Tenan	Non-certified	Substitute Teacher	3/15/11
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Lauri Shook	SFS	Child Nutrition Substitute	3/15/11
Sarah Swartzel	Non-certified	Substitute Teacher	3/15/11
Ruth Willis	Certified	Substitute Teacher	3/15/11