

SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

The Haywood County Board of Education met for their Regular Session on Monday, October 9, 2023 at the Education Center in Clyde, N.C. at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Francis called the October 9, 2023 Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Jimmy Rogers gave the invocation and Chairman Francis led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chairman Francis made the following announcements:

- Chairman Francis was honored to lead Junaluska Elementary School students in the Pledge of Allegiance last week. It was a great experience and he's proud of Junaluska Elementary students.
- Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, November 20, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. – Education Center
- NCSBA Annual Conference – November 13-15, 2023 – Greensboro, NC

Agenda adjustments were as follows:

- Add five Building and Grounds Committee items following #18.
- Add Brandi Stephenson with contract amendments following #18.

Approved the amended October 9, 2023 Regular Board Agenda as presented by Chairman Chuck Francis.

Recognized the following 2023-2024 Teacher Assistants of the Year:

- *Erin McRee – Bethel Elementary*
- *Brittany Hipp – Clyde Elementary*
- *Andria Richardson – Junaluska Elementary*
- *Cassidy Bridges – Meadowbrook Elementary*
- *Lisa Fisher – North Canton Elementary*
- *Haleigh Miller – Riverbend Elementary*

Recognized the following 2023-2024 Teacher of the Year:

- *Heather Smith – Waynesville Middle School*

Recognized the following 2023-2024 Principal of the Year:

- *Casey Kruk – Canton Middle School*

Recognized the following School Resource Officers:

- *Jennifer Robertson – Bethel Elementary School*
- *Andrew Sutton – Clyde Elementary School*
- *Amanda Collins – Hazelwood Elementary School*
- *Jeff Mackey – Jonathan Valley Elementary School*
- *Charles Kielson – Junaluska Elementary School*
- *Windy Mease – Meadowbrook Elementary School*
- *Michael Elkins – North Canton Elementary School*
- *Michael Holcombe – Riverbend Elementary School*
- *Glenn Biller – Bethel Middle School*
- *Preston Grondahl – Canton Middle School*

- *Dave Clancy – Waynesville Middle School*
- *Matt Wike – Central Haywood High School*
- *Noah Frazier – Pisgah High School*
- *Mitchel Rathbone – Tuscola High School*
- *Trent Burgess – Haywood Early College*

Aleasa Glance presented information related to the Dogwood Trust Grant in the amount of \$433,437.00. The grant is to expand CTE opportunities in Haywood County. It's a three year grant and will fund an additional CDC/SPC at the high school, fund a new position CDC to serve the middle schools as well as travel expenses for CTSO's.

Trevor Putnam provided an update on \$3 million appropriation from the General Assembly. He expressed his appreciation to Senator Corbin, Senator Hise and the General Assembly.

No one addressed the Board during open session.

Approved the following minutes as presented by Chairman Chuck Francis.

- September 11, 2023 Closed and Regular Session

Approved the 2023-2024 Parent Advisory Council as presented by Trevor Putnam.

Approved A New Hope Home Care Contract as presented by Brandi Stephenson.

Approved an amendment for an hourly increase from \$45 to \$52 for A New Hope Home Care contracts previously approved due to a nursing hourly rate increase; presented by Brandi Stephenson

The following policies were presented for first reading and will be tabled for thirty days to allow for public input; as presented by Graham Haynes.

- 1310/4002- Parental Involvement
- 3210- Parental Inspection of and Objection to Instructional Materials
- 3540- Comprehensive Health Education Program
- 4335- Criminal Behavior
- 4720- Surveys of Students
- 6120- Student Health Services
- 7300- Staff Responsibilities

Approved the 2023-2024 Crisis Emergency Management Plan as presented by Graham Haynes.

Approved the motion for updates to Bethel Elementary School's disc golf course by the Haywood County Disc Golf Club, at no cost to Haywood County Schools as presented by Building and Grounds Committee.

Approved the motion to add the Land Use Study to the Numerix Solutions Scope of Services for Haywood County Schools as presented by Building and Grounds Committee.

Approved the motion for ClarkNexsen as the architectural firm to design the Education Support Facility as presented by Building and Grounds Committee.

Approved the motion for PolySport USA as the apparent low Bidder for RFP 8-23; Tuscola High School and Pisgah High School Track Resurfacing in the amount of \$714,750.00 using lottery funds as presented by Building and Grounds Committee.

Approved the motion for Appalachian Sitework, INC to complete the Tuscola High School Farm concrete slab in the amount of \$59,700.00 paid by available grant funding as presented by Building and Grounds Committee.

Approved the regular monthly financial reports as presented by Finance Committee.

Approved the following personnel as presented by Trevor Putnam.

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PERSONNEL FOR INFORMATION

Separation from Employment

NAME-POSITION, SITE, REASON

Cynthia Setzer-CN Asst, HES, Resignation
Michele Zirkle-Teacher, CMS, Resignation
Dustin Ammons-Custodian, BMS, Resignation
Ashley Purcell-TA, CLY, Resignation
Judy Grant-Data Mgr, THS, Resignation
Samantha Jackson-Media, PHS, Resignation
Leslie Garrison-Teacher, JVE, Resignation

Employee Status Change

NAME-POSITION, SITE, ADD/MOVE/REMOVE/CHANGE

Janet Baker-TA EC, WMS, Move to THS TA EC New Position
Jenny Buckner-TA EC, THS, Change to TA ISS replacing Thomas Owens
Amy Kilgore-Teacher Title I, JES, Change to Teacher 5th replacing Marilyn McGee
Wendy Ford-Teacher, HES, Move to JES K New Position
Pamela Kervin-TA EC, CLY, Change to TA K replacing Misty Morris
Michelle Davis-Teacher, CLY, Change from Title I to 1st replacing Leisa Mease
Colleen Jones-TA, CLY, Change from TA to TA II replacing Pamela Kervin

PERSONNEL FOR APPROVAL

Employment

NAME-POSITION, SITE, REASON

Grey Ross-Clerical, JES, PT <10 hrs/wk
Katrina Owen-TA, HES, FT 10 Mth replacing Susan Shuler
Ellen Singleton-After School, NCE, PT <19.5 hrs/wk replacing Hannah Grace Shipman
Joshua Porcelli-Custodian, JVE, PT 12 mth replacing Shannon Maxwell
McKenna Casey-LCSW Interim, CO, FT 10 mth Temp replacing Rebecca Redpath
Elizabeth Swanger-TA, HES, FT 10 mth replacing Hannah Jones
Lisa Cook-Teacher EC, THS, FT 10 mth replacing Linda Estes
Angela Ray-Teacher EC, CMS, FT 10 mth replacing Michele Zirkle
Lana Brooks-Teacher EC, CMS, PT 10 mth replacing Penny Squires
Kevin Bailey-Teacher Ag, CHHS, FT 10 mth replacing Barry Feldman

Tracy Nuzzo-Transportation Safety Asst, JES, PT <5 hrs/wk Asst for Regular Bus Route
Malena Guzman Perez-Math Tutor, WMS, PT New Position

Employee Status Change

NAME-POSITION, SITE, ADD/MOVE/REMOVE/CHANGE

Kyra Deeter-After School Asst, MES, Change to After School Director replacing Faith Wilson
Katherine Trantham-Data Mgr, HES, Move to THS TA II replacing Jenny Buckner
Sarah Smart-Teacher, THS, Add Bus Sub As Needed
Bridgette Brooks-Asst Principal/Inst Coach, HES, Add Title I Supplement
Kara Wayman-TA, HES, Change to 10 mth Data Mgr replacing Katherine Trantham
Lisa Holland-Teacher AIG, CO, Change to Lead Teacher AIG replacing Martha Child
Mary Ann Shoaf-CN Bookkeeper/Payroll, Child Nutrition, Move to CO Payroll/Accounts Payable
Supervisor New Position
Tracy Fowler-Bus Driver, BES, Add Title I Tutor 5 hrs/wk
Shannon Reece-Teacher, HES, Add Ticket Taker THS
Amanda Earley-Teacher, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS
Julia Plott-Counselor, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS
Megan Hyatt-Teacher, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS
Linda Estes-Teacher, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS
Amber Benhart-Social Worker, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS
Angela Pless-CN Mgr, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS <10 hours
Lucy White-Custodian, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS <10 hours
Gabe Gross-Custodian, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS <10 hours
Jennifer Wilson-Custodian, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS <10 hours
Amanda Long-Data Mgr, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS <10 hours
Lauren Gaddy-Bookkeeper, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS <10 hours
Chrystal Shelton-CN Asst, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS <10 hours
Misty Griffin-CN Asst, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS <10 hours
Erin Woolstenhulme-CN Asst, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS <10 hours
Dana Haney-CN Asst, THS, Add Ticket Taker THS <10 hours

Staff Coach

NAME-POSITION, HEAD/ASSISTANT, SITE

Joshua Simmons-Basketball, Head, CMS
Larry Smith-Basketball, Head, WMS
Heather Smith-Basketball, Assistant, WMS
McKenzie Wilson-Basketball, Assistant, CMS
Jeremy Riddle-Wrestling, Assistant, CMS
Neil Rogers-Basketball, Assistant, THS
Josiah Ledford-Basketball, Head, CMS
Amy Brown-Basketball, Assistant, THS
Kari Setser-Cheer, Head, THS
Samantha Young-Basketball, Assistant, WMS
Cam Bass-Basketball, Head, WMS
Salem Parris-Cheer, Head, WMS
Jackie Roten-Wrestling, Assistant, WMS
Rebekah Gaddy-Golf, Head, PHS
Morgan Smith-Cheerleading, Head, PHS
Jonathan Whitson-Basketball, Head, PHS
Benjamin Rhodarmer-Basketball, Assistant, PHS

Samuel Messer-Basketball, Head, PHS
Jacob Hannah-Basketball, Assistant, PHS
Brandon Holloway-Basketball, Head, PHS
Jessie Heisler-Basketball, Assistant, PHS
Holly Kuykendall-Basketball, Assistant, PHS
McKinley Morris-Indoor Track, Head, PHS
Tabitha Judy-Drama, Head, PHS

Non-Staff Coach

NAME-POSITION, HEAD/ASSISTANT, SITE

Justin Best-Wrestling, Head, CMS
Jeffrey Hillis-Wrestling, Assistant, THS
Jose Nieves-Football, Assistant, BMS
Janelee Schuett-Concessions, n/a, THS
Garcia Luis-Soccer, Head, PHS

Volunteer Coach Services

NAME-POSITION, HEAD/ASSISTANT, SITE

Mark McCracken-Wrestling, Assistant, WMS
Reanna Lehman-Basketball, Assistant, WMS
Hugh Caldwell III-Wrestling, Assistant, WMS
Marco Zamudio-Pina-Soccer, Assistant, PHS
Roy Williamson-Indoor Track, Assistant, PHS
Shane Pope-Wrestling, Assistant, PHS

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.