

**GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA**

**Thursday, January 29, 2009**

The Guilford County Board of Education met in a regular meeting on Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 712 North Eugene Street, Greensboro, North Carolina. The following board members were present: Sandra Alexander, Jeff Belton, Kris Cooke, Carlvena Foster (arrived 6:06 p.m.), Paul Daniels, Alan Duncan, Darlene Garrett, Deena Hayes, Garth Hébert, Amos Quick, Nancy Routh. Also present were Superintendent Maurice Green and Attorney Jill Wilson.

**Call to Order**

Chairman Duncan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence**

Board member Amos Quick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Duncan led and a moment of silence in honoring the following students who passed away during the month of January: Taylor Allred, a student at Southern High School, Corbin Gil, a student at Peeler Open School for Performing Arts, A.J. Holt, a student at Dudley High School and Michael Maye, a student at Eastern High School.

**Public Comments**

Chairman Duncan called on members of the public who requested an opportunity to address the board.

Deon Clark, 2 Oakville Trail, McLeansville, NC 27301  
Donny Brown, 2607 Azalea Drive, Greensboro, NC 27407  
Hugh Mestelt, 4702 Sandy Camp Road, High Point, NC 27265  
Joe Stafford – 4604 Forest Village Drive, Greensboro, NC

**Approval of Agenda**

Chairman Duncan asked board members to review the meeting agenda and called for a motion to approve or amend it. Chairman Duncan requested that the Strategic Plan Update move to the first item under Staff Reports.

*Motion was made by Kris Cooke, seconded by Darlene Garrett to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed upon unanimous voice vote.*

**Consent Agenda**

Superintendent Maurice Green presented the following consent agenda items:

**A. Personnel Reports**

The consent agenda includes personnel actions as noted in the monthly personnel action report requiring board approval.

**B. 2008-09 Budget Amendments/Transfers Report**

The consent agenda includes a recommendation to approve the State, Local, Federal, Capital Outlay and After-School Care Enrichment Services (ACES) budget amendments/transfers for 2008-09 school year as follows:

*State Public School Fund Amendment #4* reflects:

- the following charter school adjustments:
  - Classroom Teachers (\$249,768)

- Non-Instructional Support Personnel (\$271,739)
- Instructional Support (\$29,979)
- Career and Technical Education-Months of Employment (\$24,721)
- Career and Technical Education-Program Support (\$1,306)
- School Technology Fund (\$677)
- Mentor Positions (\$842)
- Teacher Assistants (\$33,450)
- Academically/Intellectually Gifted (\$4,653)
- Transportation of Pupils (\$28,605)
- Classroom Materials/Instructional Supplies and Equipment (\$5,922)
- At-Risk Student Services (\$16,013)
- State Textbook Account Transactions (\$6,715)
- the following adjustments based on higher ADM of the first or second school month:
  - Classroom Teachers (-\$721,305)
  - Non-Instructional Support Personnel (-\$84,029)
  - Instructional Support (-\$59,974)
  - Career and Technical Education-Program Support (-\$4,711)
  - Teacher Assistants (-\$49,818), Children with Special Needs (-\$3,234)
  - Classroom Materials/Instructional Supplies and Equipment (-\$18,140)
  - State Textbook Account Transactions (-\$20,614)
- the receipt of:
  - Transportation allotment adjustment based on North Carolina Department of Public Instruction "budget/efficiency rating" calculations (\$7,231,187)
  - Improving Student Accountability allotment based on actual number of Level I & II students (\$954,744)
- the transfers due to site-based requests and year-to-date expenditures

*Local Current Expense Fund Amendment #4* reflects:

- the receipt of:
  - School Impact Grant reimbursement for June through October 2008 (\$32,944)
  - Communities in Schools of High Point reimbursement for July through December 2008 for 50 percent of the salaries of CIS coordinator positions at Allen Jay, Fairview, Kirkman Park, Montlieu and Parkview elementary schools and 25 percent of the salaries of CIS coordinator positions at Northwood and Oak Hill elementary schools (\$37,678)
  - Quarterly payment from Time Warner Cable per the franchise agreement between Time Warner and the City of Greensboro (\$8,477)
  - Funds from the City of Greensboro, pursuant to the Video Services Competition Act, for the Educational Access Channel (\$8,120)
  - Time Warner Cable supplemental funding for Education Access (\$5,154)
  - Clearwire Wireless Broadband lease payments (\$800)
  - Donation from High Point University for Eastern High media center (\$2,862)
  - Reimbursement for Academic All-Star Camps (\$50,000)
  - Reimbursement of 2008 Celebration of Excellence in Education (\$160,000) and Early College Academy Program scholarships (\$16,010)
- the transfers for school allotments and due to site-based requests and year-to-date expenditures

*Federal Grant Fund Amendment #4* reflects:

- the following adjustments due to receipt of initial versus planning allotments:
  - Career and Technical Education - Program Improvement (\$25,707)
  - IDEA VI-B Capacity Building (-\$3,864)
  - ESEA Title I Basic Program (-\$458)
  - IDEA VI-B Handicapped (-\$743,519)

- Title II-B Math & Science Partnership (\$458)
- the receipt of the following grant:
  - IDEA VI-V Special Needs Target (\$9,100)
- the transfers due to site-based requests and year-to-date expenditures

*Capital Outlay Fund Amendment #4* reflects:

- the receipt of allotment from North Carolina Department of Public Instruction for installment payments for the lease/purchase of replacement school buses (\$505,767)
- the transfer of available funds within the Eastern High School (\$500,000) project from construction to technology
- the transfers due to site-based requests and year-to-date expenditures

*After-School Care Enrichment Services (ACES) Fund Amendment #4* reflects:

- the transfers due to site-based requests and year-to-date expenditures

*Motion was made by Kris Cooke, seconded by Deena Hayes to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed upon unanimous voice vote.*

*Item A passed upon majority roll-call vote of 10-1 as follows: **Ayes** – Sandra Alexandra, Jeff Belton, Garth Hebert, Nancy Routh, Alan Duncan, Amos Quick, Deena Hayes, Carlvena Foster, and Paul Daniels – **Nays** – Darlene Garrett. Item B passed upon unanimous roll-call vote.*

## **Staff Reports**

### **A. Construction Update**

Andy LaRowe, executive director of facilities, presented to the board an update on the district's construction projects.

### **B. Strategic Plan Update**

Dr. Eric Becoats, chief administrative officer, presented to the board an update on the district's strategic plan.

Chairman Duncan requested that board members review the plan thoroughly. Staff will update the board on a regular basis and address any concerns they may have.

Break 7:46 p.m.

Resume 8:10 p.m.

## **Board Discussion**

### **A. 2008 Bond Update**

Chairman Duncan called on Leo Bobadilla, chief operations officer, to present to the board an update on the 2008 bond. Andy LaRowe, executive director of facilities, presented to the board an update on the district's construction projects. Sharon Ozment, chief financial officer, and Leo Bobadilla, chief operations officer, presented to the board proposed project ordinance revisions associated with select 2000 and 2003 bond projects.

#### **2008 Bond Projects**

Jamestown Middle School – Contract with New Atlantic Contracting for Phase 2A Concrete and Structural Steel Packages approved at 1/13/09 board meeting. Remaining trade packages will be brought to the board in the near future. Designers continue to work with the authorities having jurisdiction. Site work continues with grading and the installation of retaining walls. Groundbreaking ceremony was on January 23, 2009.

Eastern Guilford High School – Mechanical, electrical and plumbing work continues throughout building. Interior sheet rock walls are complete on the second floor and 90% complete on the first floor. Ceiling grid and overhead inspections are complete on the second floor, installation of ceiling grid continues on first floor. Final painting and other finishes are being installed.

#### Other Projects

Pleasant Garden Elementary School (cafeteria conversion) – Contractor has begun prime coat application on walls. New exterior windows and doors have arrived on site, and contractor has begun installation. Concrete pad for transformer has been set and prepared for installation. Ductwork installation is 95% complete. Heating and air conditioning equipment and interior lights are scheduled within the next 30 days.

Southeast High School (Cafeteria/Kitchen) – Interior of cafeteria and kitchen is complete and has been punched out by architect. Final inspections are underway, and barring any unforeseen issues we anticipate being able to occupy the space by the end of January.

Dean B. Pruette Scale Center – The Certificate of Occupancy was issued by the City of High Point on December 22, 2008. Furniture has been delivered and set in place. A ribbon cutting ceremony has been scheduled for February 3, 2009.

Union Hill Elementary – Concrete masonry units have been completed for the three classroom wings, kitchen, dining and multi-purpose areas – installation continues in the administration area. Ductwork and electrical rough-in continues in two classroom wings. Roof decking is complete on two wings. Heating and air conditioning rough-in continues. Technology bid packages are out for an early February bid opening.

Southern Middle School – Purchase order for track has been issued and Notice to Proceed will be issued by end of January. Design is underway for the remaining items that were previously approved by the board.

Northeast High School – All work is complete with the exception of final playing surface which is on hold pending weather.

Staff requested that bond funds be transferred from the following projects:

Southern High	\$557,500
Reedy Fork Elementary	\$224,879
Gibsonville Elementary	\$165,089
Florence Elementary	\$143,989
Guilford Elementary	\$ 42,053
Brightwood Elementary	\$ 20,000
McLeansville Elementary	\$127,576
Andrews High	\$100,000
Oak Ridge Elementary	\$ 3,960

To the following projects:

Pleasant Garden Elementary	\$557,500
Northeast High	\$249,865
Oak View Elementary	\$143,989
Guilford Middle	\$ 42,053
Northeast Middle	\$ 90,103
Madison Elementary	\$ 50,000
Brown Summit Middle	\$147,576
Penn Griffin	\$100,000
Northwest High	\$ 3,960

Board discussion followed. The board will vote on bond items presented at this meeting at the February 10, 2009 meeting.

Ms. Ozment discussed with the board the Guilford County Schools' Public School Building Capital Fund application requesting the release of \$4,291,861 for various regular capital outlay projects. She also discussed the North Carolina Education Lottery application requested the release of \$12,500,000 for May 2003 and May 2008 school bond referenda debt service costs. Guilford County Schools will submit these applications for signature by Chairman Alston for the release of the funds outlined and that the item be placed on the County Commissioners agenda for action at their meeting scheduled for February 12, 2009.

*Motion was made by Kris Cooke, seconded by Jeff Belton, to approve the applications to the Guilford County Board of Commissioners for release of public school building capital fund and lottery dollars. The motion passed upon unanimous electronic vote.*

**B. First Reading – Policy KN, Registered Sex Offenders**

Chairman Duncan called on board member Nancy Routh, convener of the governance review committee, to lead the board in a discussion regarding the first reading – Policy KN, Registered Sex Offenders.

*Motion was made by Kris Cooke, seconded by Darlene Garrett, to approve for first reading Policy KN, Registered Sex Offenders. The motion passed upon unanimous electronic vote.*

**C. First Reading – Policy JBCD, Registered Sex Offenders - Students**

Chairman Duncan called on board member Nancy Routh, convener of the governance review committee, to lead the board in a discussion regarding the first reading – Policy JBCD, Registered Sex Offenders - Students.

*Motion was made by Kris Cooke, seconded by Darlene Garrett, to approve for first reading Policy JBCD, Registered Sex Offenders - Students. The motion passed upon unanimously.*

**Reports from the Superintendent**

None

**Reports from the Chairman**

Chairman Duncan and board member, Amos Quick, met with County Commission Bruce Davis to discuss the Education Committee that has been formed. Commissioner Davis explained that the document the board reviewed at its retreat was a draft document. A subcommittee will be formed to discuss budget implications. The board of education members Kris Cooke, Sandra Alexander, and Darlene Garrett are members of that committee. A large committee will also be developed to discuss the education of students of Guilford County. The two committees will eventually meet to discuss ways to better help the students of Guilford County.

**Board Comments**

Board members were each allowed two minutes to make remarks, as they deemed appropriate.

**Adjournment**

With no further business, at 9:37 p.m., *motion was made by Kris Cooke, seconded by Carlvena Foster, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed upon unanimous voice vote.*