# Perquimans County Board of Education Regular Session – May 24, 2021

The Perquimans County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, May 24, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the administrative offices of Perquimans County Schools. Audio access was available to the public by dialing a telephone number and entering a meeting ID and passcode.

Board Chair Dr. Anne White called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was recited and Amy Spaugh said a prayer.

Board members present: Chair Dr. Anne White (in person), Vice Chair Amy Spaugh (in person), Russell Lassiter (in person), Matt Peeler (in person), Leary Winslow (in person), and Arlene Yates (in person).

# Approval of Agenda

Upon motion by Arlene Yates and second by Matt Peeler, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda and addendum as presented.

# **Special Recognitions**

# Introduction of School Resource Officer Victor Sulliban

School Resource Officer Sergeant David Murray introduced new School Resource Officer Deputy Victor Sulliban who started last week at Perquimans County Middle School. Sergeant Murray presented Deputy Sulliban with a certificate for completing the required 40-hour training for School Resource Officers.

### Perquimans County Middle School Hunter Safety Team and Coaches

Superintendent Tanya Turner recognized the Perquimans County Middle School Hunter Safety team. The team took first place overall team at the Youth Hunter Education Skills Tournament for District I which qualified the team to advance to the state tournament. At the state tournament on April 24<sup>th</sup>, the Perquimans County Middle School team took second place overall team and Colin Winslow took second place overall individual. Certificates were presented to the following: Team Members – Drake Cauley, Addison Chappell, Garrett Christian, Cole Clayton, Marshall Davenport, Carson Davis, Landon Melton, Noah Miller, Charlotte Peters, Jay Roberts, Landon Russell, Tate Russell, Sean Saunders, Connor Tripp, Ayden Trotman, Tanner Wheatley, Caden Winslow, and Collin Winslow; Coaches – Michael Cauley, Darlene Meads, Talmadge Meads, Brian Riddick, Kevin Roberts, Eddie Squires, Makayla Squires, Amy Ward, James Ward, and Ashley Williams.

#### PQ Leadership Academy

Superintendent Turner recognized the participants of the 2020-2021 PQ Leadership Academy. The PQ Leadership Academy is for certified employees with at least three years of experience who are interested in possibly pursuing a degree in educational leadership or expanding their teacher leadership skills. The session topics aligned to the Principal and Assistant Principal Evaluation Standards: January – Setting the Course and Strategic Leadership (Standard I), February – Instructional Leadership (Standard II), March – Cultural Leadership and Human Resource Leadership (Standards III and IV), April – Managerial Leadership (Standard V), and May – External Development Leadership and Micro-Political Leadership (Standards VI and VII). Participants earned two CEUs, one for attending the five training sessions and one for the completed assignments. Participants included Rhonda Meadows, Darlene Gray, Chiquita Sutton, Ashley Winslow, Sylvia Carver, Donia Winslow, Lisa Sawyer, Eric Kajca, Cheryl Harris, and Michael Fipps.

### WAVY TV Excellent Educators

Superintendent Turner recognized the WAVY TV Excellent Educators. WAVY TV wanted to celebrate dedicated teachers who have worked extremely hard during the COVID-19 pandemic—those who have gone above and beyond the call of duty to make sure their students thrived despite the pandemic and have been creative problem solvers with unique solutions to educational challenges caused by COVID-19. Teachers recognized were Holly Jordan, 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher at Perquimans Central School; Colin Woodley, physical education teacher at Hertford Grammar School; Tyler Bridgers, math teacher at Perquimans County Middle School; and Tina Mathis, English teacher at Perquimans County High School.

# Rotary Teachers of the Year

Superintendent Turner also recognized the Hertford Rotary Teachers of the Year: Holley Jordan, 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher at Perquimans Central School; Colin Woodley, physical education teacher at Hertford Grammar School; Kelsey Anderson, math teacher at Perquimans County Middle School; and Amy Craddock, math teacher at Perquimans County High School.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Upon motion by Amy Spaugh and second by Matt Peeler, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2021, regular meeting as presented.

### **Consent Agenda**

Upon motion by Leary Winslow and second by Arlene Yates, the Board voted unanimously to approve the student transfer requests and addendum for 2021-2022 and the personnel recommendations in the Personnel Summary Report and addendum for May 24, 2021 as presented by Superintendent Tanya Turner.

# Public Hearing / Requests from the Public

None

#### **Unfinished Business**

Upon motion by Arlene Yates and second by Amy Spaugh, the Board voted unanimously to approve revised board policies 3102 Online Instruction, 3300 School Calendar and Time for Learning, and 4400 Attendance as presented by Superintendent Turner.

#### **New Business**

# 2021-2022 IDEA Part B 611 Grant and 619 Grant

Upon motion by Leary Winslow and second by Matt Peeler, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2021-2022 IDEA Part B 611 Grant and 619 Grant as presented by Chief Academic Officer for Student Services Dr. Kanika Griffin.

#### Finance

# **Budget Amendments**

Chief Finance Officer Rube Blanchard presented budget amendments for the Board's consideration. He explained each amendment in detail and answered questions asked by board members. Upon motion by Russell Lassiter and second by Amy Spaugh, the Board voted unanimously to approve State (Fund 1) – Budget Amendment #9 and Federal (Fund 3) – Budget Amendment #8 as presented by Mr. Blanchard.

### Monthly Financial Report

Mr. Blanchard presented the monthly financial report for May 2021. The first report showed year-to-date spent, outstanding POs, escrow, budget (pending approval) and year-to-date percentage spent for Fund #1, #2, #3, #4, #8, and #5. The benchmark was 92% and the actual year-to-date spent of the total budget as of May 17, 2021 was 73%. The second report provided a more detailed budget summary sorted by 2-digit Purpose Code for Funds #1, #3, #5, #2, #4, and #8. The last report provided an update on Capital Outlay as of May 17, 2021. The report showed revenue and expenses with current budget, year-to-date spent/encumbered, and budget remaining. He noted that \$17,813.33 of unallocated funds remain for repairs.

# Revised Board Policies - Spring 2021 Policy Updates

The Board conducted a first reading of the following policies in the Spring 2021 Policy Updates as provided by attorneys from the North Carolina School Boards Association. Action will be taken on these policies at the June meeting.

PLS Update: Spring 2021 Policy Updates

1510/4200/7270	School Safety
1610/7800	Professional and Staff Development
1710/4020/7230	Discrimination and Harassment Prohibited by Federal Law
2610	Board Attorney
3460	Graduation Requirements
3610	Counseling Program
3620	Extracurricular Activities and Student Organizations
4040/7310	Staff-Student Relations
4125	Homeless Students
4240/7312	Child Abuse and Related Threats to Child Safety
4335	Criminal Behavior
5000	Schools and the Community
6120	Student Health Services
6125	Administering Medicines to Students
6320	Use of Student Transportation Services
7232	Discrimination and Harassment in the Workplace
7510	Leave
7720	Employee Political Activities
8310	Annual Independent Audit
8341	Limited Claim Settlement

The policies listed below have only minor changes in wording, legal references, and/or cross references.

1310/4002	Parental Involvement
3230/7330	Copyright Compliance
3470/4305	,,,,
	Alternative Learning Programs/Schools
3640/5130	Student Voter Registration and Preregistration
4050	Children of Military Families
4270/6145	Concussion and Head Injury
4700	Student Records
5020	Visitors to the Schools
5030	Community Use of Facilities
5070/7350	Public Records - Retention, Release and Disposition
5071/7351	Electronically Stored Information Retention
5210	Distribution and Display of Non-School Material
6140	Student Wellness
6210	Organization of School Nutrition Services
6220	Operation of School Nutrition Services
6230	School Meal and Competitive Foods Standards
6305	Safety and Student Transportation Services
6315	Drivers
6321	Bus Routes
6450	Purchase of Services
7100	Recruitment and Selection of Personnel
7130	Licensure
7430	Substitute Teachers
9020	Facility Design

### Reports/Updates

### Student Discipline Data

Assistant Superintendent James Bunch presented the student discipline data for the month of April 2021. For the month of April, PCS maintained zero suspensions, HGS had one suspension, and PCMS and PCHS each had six suspensions.

# Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Tanya Turner provided the following report and fielded questions and comments from board members regarding the information presented.

- Perquimans County Schools current enrollment as of May 2021:
  PreK 34; PCS 382; HGS 349; PCMS 420; PCHS 444
- 2021-2022 Teachers of the Year: PCS Aleah Clark; HGS Crystal Seymour; PCMS Courtney Bailey; PCHS Sylvia Carver
- Summer School Enrollment: PCS 97; HGS 111; PCMS 160; PCHS 53
- Positive COVID Cases January 5th to Present: Employees 18; Students 23
- Athletic Revenue:

School		(thru May 11)			
	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	Additional Funds Received	***************************************
PCMS	\$17,246.75	\$18,641.35	\$14,150.00	\$500	
PCHS	\$61,186.61	\$66,172.17	\$27,318.75	\$ 5,449.18	-

PCMS: \$4,901,45

PCHS: \$12.404.24 (Expecting an additional check from NCHSAA; Baseball revenue)

• The National Foundation for Governors' Fitness Councils (NFGFC) partnered with Governor Cooper to bring the DON'T QUIT! Campaign to the State of North Carolina this year. Their mission is to identify and support schools that prioritize student fitness, but lack adequate resources. The goal each year is to gift a new fitness center to three elementary and/or middle schools for showing dedication and leadership in promoting fitness. Each DON'T QUIT! Fitness Center is worth \$100,000 and includes strength training equipment, cardio fitness equipment, and a circuit training system. This is a gift, not a grant. Schools interested had to complete a 3-step application to nominate their school. Nominations were judged by the council and three winners were chosen from across the state. DON'T QUIT! Campaign has named C.M. Eppes Middle School in Greenville, Northridge Middle School in Charlotte and Perquimans County Middle School in Winfall as the state's most outstanding schools for demonstrating leadership in getting and keeping their students fit.

### **Board Chair's Comments**

Dr. White thanked school leaders and teachers for all they continue to do.

#### Announcements

- Graduation Saturday, June 5, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. @ Football Field
- Regular Board of Education Meeting Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. @ Central Office

### **Closed Session**

Upon motion by Matt Peeler and second by Arlene Yates, the Board voted unanimously to enter closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) in order to consult with the board attorney

regarding a matter within the attorney client privilege and to protect that privilege; G.S. 143.318.11(a)(6) to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; or to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee.

Upon motion by Arlene Yates and second by Matt Peeler, the Board voted unanimously to return to open session. No action was taken by the Board after returning to open session.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Or. Anne White, Chairperson

Tanya Turner, Superintendent