



Board Highlights

Dr. Dwayne K. Stallings, Superintendent

Mrs. Arlene Yates, Board Chairperson

- The Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, October 22nd, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the administrative offices of Perquimans County Schools.
- All members were present with the exception of Ralph Hollowell.
- The pledge of allegiance was recited and prayer was offered by Steve Magaro.
- Under special recognitions, Dr. Robert E. Lane was recognized for his outstanding contributions and commitment to the athletes of Perquimans County Schools during the past decade. Dr. Lane's office provides annual physicals for athletes free of charge and provides services for the drug-testing of athletes throughout the year.



- The minutes of the September 24, 2012 meeting were approved as presented.
- The agenda (and addendum for personnel items) for the meeting were approved.
- The board approved the student transfer requests, as presented.
- The board approved the personnel summary report with addendum, as presented.
- There were no public hearings.
- There was no old business.
- Under new business, James Bunch presented information on October as Disability History and Awareness Month and provided information on what schools were doing to promote same.
- Presentations of School Improvement Plans for all schools were made. It is noteworthy that School Improvement Plans, although not a requirement of NCDPI, are still required by the local district. The plans provide benchmark information for each school and a plan of action, strategies and measureable goals.
- The board approved the Cash Management Plan as presented by Finance Officer Candy Tilley. The changes are driven by legislative requirements and procedures and/or policies of the banking institution.
- The budget amendments for State Public School Fund; Local Current Expense, Federal Grants Fund, and Other Specific Revenue Fund were approved.
- The board entertained the first reading of Revised Board Policies: 5030 - Community Use of Facilities; 6420 - Contracts with the Board; 6425 - Continuing Contracts; 6430 - Purchasing Requirements for Equipment, Materials and Supplies; 6440 - Local Purchasing Requirements for Equipment, Materials and Supplies; 9120 - Bidding for Construction Work; and 9125 - Participation by Minority Businesses.

Action on these revised policies will be taken at the November board meeting.

- Discussion was held on NCSBA's Proposal for Teacher Career Status Elimination. It was the consensus of the board to discuss this further at the upcoming NCSBA conference before deciding how to vote on the issue. Board members agreed it would be important to hear the proposals and debates at the conference.

- The board opened discussions regarding athletic complex and how to present a "phasing" concept to the County Commissioners. The board agreed that professional services would be needed to redesign the plan into a "phased" plan. Jonathan Nixon will assume the lead in this project.



Superintendent's Report

- Dr. Dwayne K. Stallings provided an overview of bus drivers that earned perfect attendance during the month of September.
- Dr. Dwayne K. Stallings also provided the board with a Sample Resolution for School Boards Regarding Sequestration, urging Congress and the Administration to mitigate the across-the-board cuts to education that are scheduled to occur January 2, 2013.
- Superintendent Stallings read minutes from a previous meeting regarding the \$400,000 in lottery funds received by the County that was used to help curtail the interestedness of the high school building project.
- Chairman Arlene Yates provided information received at the Black Caucus Conference she attended October 4-6. The focus of the meetings included Common Core, STEM and supporting educators in today's education arenas.
- The board entered closed session pursuant to NCGS 143.318.11(a)(6) regarding personnel matters and NCGS 143.318.11(a)(3) to preserve the attorney-client privilege.
- No action was taken upon returning to open session.
- The meeting was adjourned.