

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Caldwell County Board of Education met at 6:00 PM on July 11, 2011, in the Board Room of the Education Center, Lenoir, North Carolina.

The following members were present:

Vice-Chairman Tim Hawkins
Teresa Branch
Linda Coffey
Dottie Darsie
Dr. Helen Hall
Duane Knight

Chairman Darrell Pennell was absent.

The following administrative staff members were present:

Dr. Steve Stone, Superintendent
Dr. Caryl B. Burns, Associate Superintendent for Educational Program Services
Dr. Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent for Human Resource Services
Dr. Jeff Church, Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services
Karla Miller, Finance Officer
Libby Brown, School-Community Relations Director
Ed Blair, School Board Attorney, Groome, Tuttle, Pike and Blair

Vice-Chairman Tim Hawkins called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

OPENING CEREMONIES

The Reverend Lou Harlow, Bible Course Teacher, Caldwell County Schools, member of Crest View Baptist Church, and member of the Clergy Crisis Support Team gave the invocation. Lydia Sanders, rising 8th Grade student at William Lenoir Middle School, and Kelli Lynn Sanders, rising 3rd Grade student at Lower Creek Elementary School, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACTION – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon motion of Dottie Darsie and second by Dr. Helen Hall, the board unanimously approved the proposed agenda with the following change: delete Item IX, A.1, Administrative Recommendations, as presented by Superintendent Dr. Steve Stone.

ACTION – APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon motion of Teresa Branch and second by Dr. Helen Hall, the board unanimously approved the June 13, 2011, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, the June 13, 2011, Closed Session Minutes, and the June 27, 2011, Special Budget Board Meeting Minutes, as presented by Superintendent Dr. Steve Stone.

HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS

School Community Services Director Libby Brown announced the Student Artwork Selections for the Education Center Art Gallery: Jennifer Pilotos, Kelsey Gregory, Kalyn Tysinger, Kristen Stanley and Holly Ferguson, Hibriten High School; Taylor Pope, Lindsey Costello, David Evans, Burgandy Jones, Holli Carlton, Meliza Acosta, Kelsey Swanson, Cody Ellis and Dylan Blevins, South Caldwell High School; Miquel Parada, Emilie Jackson, Brittan Price and Sam Kempf, West Caldwell High School.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vice-Chairman Tim Hawkins opened the meeting for public comment. There was no public comment.

CLOSED SESSION

Upon motion of Dr. Helen Hall and second by Linda Coffey, the board unanimously agreed to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel issues pursuant to N.C.G.S. Section 143.318.11 (A) (1) at 6:12 PM.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Upon motion of Dottie Darsie and second by Linda Coffey, the board unanimously agreed to come out of Closed Session and reconvene to Open Session at 6:30 PM.

INFORMATION – PERSONNEL MATTERS

Dr. Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent for Human Resource Services, presented the attached personnel matters to the board for information only.

ACTION – PERSONNEL MATTERS

Upon motion of Dr. Helen Hall and second by Dottie Darsie, the board unanimously approved the attached personnel matters and the Personnel Resolution to terminate the employment of tenured teacher Katie Schwartz, effective immediately, as presented by Associate Superintendent for Human Resource Services Dr. Trish Johnson.

ACTION – STUDENT TRANSFER REQUESTS FOR 2011-2012

Upon motion of Dottie Darsie and second by Linda Coffey, the board unanimously approved the attached student transfer requests for 2011-2012, as presented by Associate Superintendent for Human Resource Services Dr. Trish Johnson.

ACTION – BIDS FOR BOILER REPLACEMENT AT HAPPY VALLEY SCHOOL

Upon motion of Duane Knight and second by Teresa Branch, the board unanimously approved the attached boiler replacement bid for Happy Valley School to Link Boiler and Mechanical as presented by Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services Dr. Jeff Church.

ACTION – ADM APPLICATION FOR BOILER REPLACEMENT

Upon motion of Dr. Helen Hall and second by Dottie Darsie, the board unanimously approved the attached ADM Application for boiler replacement as presented by Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services Dr. Jeff Church.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no board committee reports.

BOARD INFORMATION/POSSIBLE ACTION

There were no board information or possible action items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice-Chairman Tim Hawkins announced the next regular board meeting on Monday, August 8, 2011, 6:00 PM in the Board Room of the Education Center and a special session board meeting on Thursday, July 21, 2011, 11:30 AM, in the Board Room of the Education Center.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the board and upon motion of Teresa Branch, second by Dr. Helen Hall, and the unanimous approval of the board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 PM.

Signed:

Chairman, Caldwell County Board of Education

Attest:

Secretary, Caldwell County Board of Education