

# Official Minutes of the Caldwell County Board of Education Meeting June 09, 2014

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The Caldwell County Board of Education meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM, at the Education Center.

The following people were present:

Darrell Pennell, Chairman  
Tim Hawkins, Vice Chairman  
Dottie Darsie  
Dr. Helen Hall  
Duane Knight  
Joe Sims

The following administrative staff members were present:

Dr. Steve Stone, Superintendent  
Dr. Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent for Human Resource Services  
Dr. Caryl Burns, Associate Superintendent for Educational Program Services  
Dr. Jeff Church, Assistant Superintendent for Auxiliary Services  
Libby Brown, Director of School Community Relations  
David Johnson, Director of Finance  
Carroll Tuttle, Attorney

## **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Finance Director David Johnson gave the invocation. Members of the Gamewell Elementary School Student Council led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ACTION-APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Upon motion of Mrs. Dottie Darsie, and seconded by Mr. Duane Knight, the Board unanimously approved the agenda.

## **ACTION | APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Upon motion of Mrs. Dottie Darsie, and seconded by Mr. Joe Sims, the Board unanimously approved the May 12, 2014, Regular Session Minutes and the May 12, 2014, Closed Session Minutes.

## **HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS**

School Community Services Director Ms. Libby Brown, announced individuals for honors and recognitions:

- Education Center Art Gallery Students
- Master's and Doctorate Degrees
- 10th Anniversary of CCS Radio Station

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Darrell Pennell opened the meeting for public comment. There was no public comment.

**SMART START UPDATE**

Smart Start Executive Director Teresa Branch presented an update on the Smart Start Pre-K Program and encouraged the community to share criteria for admissions to the Smart Start Program and urge parents to register for the upcoming year.

**ACTION | APPROVAL OF OFFICIAL DEPOSITORY**

Upon motion of Dr. Helen Hall, and seconded by Mrs. Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved First Citizens of Lenoir as the official depository for Caldwell County Schools.

**ACTION | Board Policy 3460 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS POLICY REVISION | 30 DAY PUBLIC COMMENT**

With a brief presentation and discussion with the Board from Associate Superintendent Dr. Caryl Burns and High School Director Katrina McEllen, and upon motion of Dr. Helen Hall, and seconded by Mrs. Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved to place policy 3460 Graduation Requirements on a 30 day public comment period.

**INFORMATION | PERSONNEL MATTERS, PRESENTED BY DR. TRISH JOHNSON, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES**

The attached personnel matters were presented to the Board for information only.

**ACTION | PERSONNEL MATTERS PRESENTED BY DR. TRISH JOHNSON, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES**

Upon motion of Dr. Helen Hall, and seconded by Vice Chairman Tim Hawkins, the Board unanimously approved the attached personnel matters.

**ACTION | 2014-2015 STUDENT TRANSFER REQUEST PRESENTED BY DR. TRISH JOHNSON, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES**

Upon motion of Mrs. Dottie Darsie, and seconded by Mr. Duane Knight, the Board unanimously approved the attached student transfer request for the 2014-2015 school year.

**ACTION | WALKER STADIUM LEASE PRESENTED BY DR. JEFF CHURCH, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR AUXILIARY SERVICES**

Upon motion of Mr. Duane Knight, and seconded by Mr. Joe Sims, the Board unanimously approved to extend the lease on Walker Stadium located on the campus of Davenport Elementary School to Todd and Kelly Walker for the period of July 01, 2014 through June 30, 2019, to be used for the Lenoir Chiefs Youth Baseball.

**ACTION | GRANT OF EASEMENT DISTRIBUTION FOR PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS THROUGH THE NEW WILLIAM LENOIR SCHOOL PROPERTY**

Upon motion of Mrs. Dottie Darsie, and seconded by Mr. Joe Sims, the Board unanimously approved the easement for Piedmont Natural Gas to run a gas line through the new William Lenoir Middle School Property.

**ACTION | BUDGET AMENDMENTS PRESENTED BY MR. DAVID JOHNSON, FINANCE DIRECTOR**

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Tim Hawkins, and seconded by Mr. Duane Knight, the Board unanimously approved the attached amendments to the State Public School Fund (23), Local Current Expense Fund (24), and Federal Grants Fund (25.)

**ACTION | 2014-2015 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING SCHEDULE**

Upon motion of Mrs. Dottie Darsie, and seconded by Dr. Helen Hall, the Board unanimously approved the 2014-2015 Board of Education Meeting 6585 Schedule.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Darrell Pennell made the following announcements:

- **Last Day of School for Students and Graduation** | June 12, 2014
- **Annual Retirement Luncheon** | June 17, 2014 | Civic Center | 11:30 AM
- **Board of Education Special Budget Session** | June 30, 2014 | Education Center | 5:00 PM

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board and upon motion of Vice Chairman Tim Hawkins, and second by Dr. Helen Hall, and with unanimous approval of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Signed:

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Chairman, Caldwell County Board of Education

Attest:

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Secretary, Caldwell County Board of Education