# Official Minutes of the Caldwell County Board of Education Meeting May 11, 2015

# PUBLIC HEARING | PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED NAME "FREEDMAN CENTER"

Chairman Darrell Pennell opened the Public Hearing at 5:30 PM, to hear from anyone who wished to address the Board on the proposed name of the facility at 332 Greenhaven Drive. Ms. Sylvia Greene addressed the Board in favor of the proposed name, *Freedman Center*. There being no further comment and upon motion of Tim Hawkins, and seconded by Teresa Branch, the Public Hearing was adjourned at 5:40 PM.

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
Duane Knight, Vice Chairman
Linda Coffey
Tim Hawkins
Joe Sims
Teresa Branch

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, Associate Superintendent for Auxiliary Services David Johnson, Director of Finance Ed Blair, Board Attorney

### **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Dr. Jeff Church, Associate Superintendent for Auxiliary Services, led the invocation for the Board. Students from Kings Creek School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **ACTION-APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Upon motion of Tim Hawkins, and seconded by Joe Sims, the Board unanimously approved the agenda with the following revision, deletion of items XII: 1-2.

# **ACTION | APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Joe Sims, the Board unanimously approved the April 13, 2015, Regular Session Meeting Minutes.

# HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS

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

- Robin's Nest Volunteers Joan McGee and Ginny Herman
- Education Center Art Gallery
- 2015 NC Gravity Games Winners:
  - Kit-Only Division-3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Team #16, Collettsville School
  - Engineered Division-Champion: Team# 61, Caldwell Middle College (CCMC)
    - 3rd Place: Team #54, William Lenoir Middle
- North Carolina Skills USA Winners
- FBLA State Leadership Conference Winners
- North Carolina Soil and Water Essay Winner: Mallory McGee, Happy Valley School
- Superior Performances of Middle School Bands at the North Carolina MPA
- Volunteer of the Year Eugene Goforth

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

# STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES PRESENTATION IN HONOR OF STUDENT SEVICES

Jill Duffy, Student Services Director, gave a brief overview of the Student Services Program and introduced the Student Services' staff leaders.

# **ACTION | FACILITY NAMING**

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Linda Coffey, the Board unanimously approved the name *Freedman Center* for the facility located at 332 Greenhaven Dr. Lenoir. The Freedman *Center* name will take effect upon occupancy of the new William Lenoir.

# ACTION | APPROVAL FOLLOWING A ONE-MONTH PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD | PRESENTED BY DR. STEVE STONE, SUPERINTENDENT

Upon motion of Teresa Branch, and seconded by Tim Hawkins, the Board unanimously approved the revisions to Board Policy 3400 Evaluation of Student Progress.

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Joe Sims, the Board unanimously approved the revisions to Board Policy 3450 Class Ranking.

# <u>INFORMATION/ACTION | PERSONNEL MATTERS | PRESENTED BY DR. TRISH</u> JOHNSON, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES

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

Upon motion of Teresa Branch, and seconded by Vice Chairman Duane Knight, the Board unanimously approved the attached personnel matters.

# ACTION | 2015-2016 STUDENT TRANSFER REQUEST | PRESENTED BY DR. TRISH JOHNSON, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Linda Coffey, the Board unanimously approved the attached student transfer request for the 2015-2016 school year.

# ACTION | AUXILIARY SERVICES | PRESENTED BY DAVID JOHNSON, FINANCE OFFICER FOR DR. JEFF CHURCH, ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR AUXILIARY SERVICES

Upon motion of Teresa Branch, and seconded by Vice Chairman Duane Knight, the Board unanimously approved the donation for a Disc Golf Course at Hudson Middle School.

Upon motion of Linda Coffey, and seconded by Tim Hawkins, the Board unanimously approved the Duke Energy Lighting Agreement Request.

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Teresa Branch, the Board unanimously approved a .10 increase to lunch prices for the 2015-2016 school year.

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Tim Hawkins, the Board unanimously approve the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for Gamewell Elementary, Gateway School, Horizons Elementary, Valmead Elementary, West Lenoir Elementary, and Whitnel Elementary.

# ACTION FINANCE | PRESENTED BY DAVID JOHNSON, FINANCE DIRECTOR

Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Teresa Branch, the Board unanimously approved budget amendment (16) to the State Public School Fund and budget amendment (17) to the Federal Grant Fund.

Upon motion of Teresa Branch, and seconded by Linda Coffey, the Board unanimously approved the Local Current Expense and the Capital Outlay budget request for the 2015-16 school year.

# INFORMATION | BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINTMENT

Dr. Stone recommended the reappointment of William (Bill) Stuart Stone to the Caldwell Community College Board of Trustees. The recommendation was made with the backing of Caldwell Community College President Dr. Kenneth Boham. Upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Tim Hawkins, William (Bill) Stone was nominated. There being no further nominations and upon motion of Vice Chairman Duane Knight, and seconded by Teresa Branch, the Board unanimously approve William (Bill) Stone to the Caldwell Community College Board of Trustees for a 4-year term, beginning July 01, 2015, through June 30, 2019.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Darrell Pennell made the following announcements:

- Caldwell Early College Graduation | May 15, 2015 | JE Broyhill Civic Center | 7:00 PM
- Caldwell Middle College | May 21, 2015 | HUB | 7:00 PM
- Board of Education Meeting | June 08, 2015 | Education Center | 5:45
   PM Art Gallery | 6:00 PM Board Meeting
- High School Graduation | June 11, 2015
- Special Meeting (Budget) | June 29, 2015 | Education Center | 5:00 PM

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board and upon motion of Tim Hawkins, and second by Linda Coffey, and with unanimous approval of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 PM.



Darrell Pennell, Chairman, Caldwell County Board of Education



Attest: Dr. Steve Stone, Superintendent Caldwell County Schools