

# OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Date | time 11/6/2017 6:00 PM Board Meeting

Called to order by Darrell Pennell, Chair

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## In Attendance

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*Caldwell County Board of Education:* Chairman Darrell Pennell, Vice-Chair Duane Knight, Dottie Darsie, Tim Hawkins, Joe Sims, Teresa Branch, and Ann Edwards

*Caldwell County Schools Administrative Staff:*

Dr. Steve Stone, Superintendent

David Johnson, Director of Finance

Dr. Trish Johnson Associate Superintendent  
for Human Resource Services

Libby Brown, School Community Relations  
Director

Dr. Jeff Church, Associate Superintendent for  
Auxiliary Services

Destin Hall, Board Attorney

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## Opening Ceremonies / Approval of Agenda and Previous Minutes

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Board Member Joe Sims led the invocation for the Board.

Students from Gamewell Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Action Items:

*Upon motion* of Ann Edwards, and seconded by Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved the November 06, 2017, agenda as presented.

*Upon motion* of Vice Chair Duane Knight and seconded by Ann Edwards, the Board unanimously approved the Regular Session Minutes and the October 09, 2017 Closed Session Minutes.

*Upon motion* of Teresa Branch, and seconded by Tim Hawkins, the Board unanimously approved the October 30, 2017, Public Comment Session.

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## Public Comment

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

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## Announcements

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November 10, 2017, Veterans Day Observed (Nov. 11)

November 17, 2017, Blue Ridge Bright Ideas Grant Luncheon, 12:00 PM

November 22-24, 2017, Fall Break/Thanksgiving Holiday

December 11, 2017, Board Meeting

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## Honors and Recognitions | Libby Brown, Community Relations Director

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Caldwell County Schools Education Center Art Gallery Students

North Carolina Honors Chorus Students

Leslie Barger, Caldwell Middle College Spanish Teacher, has been selected as the Volunteer of the Year for the Caldwell County United Way.

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## Superintendent | Dr. Steve Stone

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### Information Items:

Superintendent Stone announced the Agenda for the Legislative Session with Senator Deanna Ballard and NC House Representative Destin Hall. The session will take place on November 07, 2017, at 8:30 AM.

Superintendent Stone also confirmed that Caldwell County Schools was not chosen as a recipient of the Tier I Grant offered by the State. The State encouraged Caldwell County Schools to reapply in 2018.

### Action Items:

*Upon motion* of Tim Hawkins, and seconded by Joe Sims, the Board unanimously approved to place new Board Policy 2670 Business Advisory Council on a one-month comment period.

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## Human Resource Services | Dr. Trish Johnson, Associate Superintendent

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### Information Items:

The attached Personnel Items were presented to the Board for information only.

### Action Items:

*Upon motion* of Dottie Darsie, and seconded by Vice Chair Duane Knight, the Board unanimously approved the attached Usual and Customary Personnel Items.

*Upon motion* of Teresa Branch, and seconded by Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved the attached 2017-2018 Student Transfers.

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## Educational Program Services | Dr. Steve Stone, Superintendent

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### Action Items:

*Upon motion* of Ann Edwards, and seconded Teresa Branch, the Board unanimously approved placing the 2017-2018 School Improvement Plans on a one-month comment period.

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## Finance | David Johnson, Director

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### Action Items:

*Upon motion* of Tim Hawkins, and seconded Dottie Darsie, the Board unanimously approved the following Budget Amendments:

Budget Amendment (1) State Public School Fund

Budget Amendment (2) Federal Grant Fund

Budget Amendment (3) Special Grants Fund

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## Superintendent | Dr. Steve Stone

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### Information Item:

Superintendent Stone announced that Caldwell County Schools was in the Top 10 of the State for Career and Technical Education Credentials Earned.

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**Board**

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**Action Item:**

*Upon motion of Dottie Darsie, and seconded by Vice Chairman Duane Knight, it was approved in a vote of 4 to 3 to award the Superintendent Search Contract to the North Carolina School Board Association.*

For	Against
Dottie Darsie	Teresa Branch
Duane Knight	Tim Hawkins
Joe Sims	Ann Edwards
Darrell Pennell	

**Information Item:**

Ann Edwards provided a report from the NCSBA 2017 Fall Law Conference.

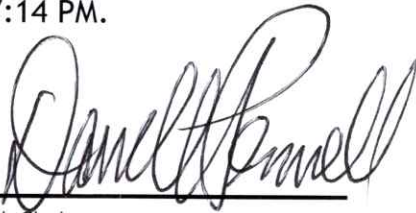
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**Adjournment**

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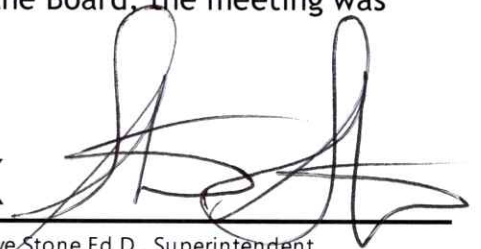
There being no further business to come before the Board and upon motion of Ann Edwards, and seconded by Dottie Darsie, and with the unanimous approval of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 PM.

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Darrell Pennell, Chairman  
Caldwell County Board of Education

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Steve Stone Ed.D., Superintendent  
Caldwell County Schools