

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Reidsville High School
1901 South Park Drive
Reidsville, NC 27320
January 11, 2021
6:00 PM**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Present: Ms. Kimberly McMichael, Board Chair and Ms. Vicky Alston, Vice Chair. Board Members: Ms. Paula Rakestraw, Mr. Brent Huss, Mr. Doug Isley, Ms. Vickie McKinney and Mr. Bob Wyatt. Administrative staff: Dr. Rodney Shotwell, Superintendent; Dr. Sonja Parks, Assistant Superintendent of Operations and Logistics; Dr. Charles Perkins, Assistant Superintendent of K- 12 Curriculum and Instruction; Dr. Ken Scott, Interim Director of Human Resources; Ms. Ann Marie Ellis, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Cindy Corcoran, Assistant Superintendent for Support Services; Board Attorney, Mr. Nick Herman was present. Ms. Renee Everhart, Board Assistant was present via zoom.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. McMichael called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

The Board members stated their names. Seven board members were present at roll call.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. McMichael announced the Work Session is scheduled January 25, 2021 at the Central Administrative Offices, 511 Harrington Highway, Eden, NC via live stream.

MOMENT OF PRAYER / MEMORY OF MS. HAZEL BARKER

Reverend Tommy Massey of Growing Oaks Church in Reidsville gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Action: Ms. Alston moved to amend the agenda, stating the meeting must end by 10:00 p.m. (including the closed session) and moving action items 7.1 RFP for Banking Services and 7.2 Budget Amendments to the January work session, after public comments move to item 8.1 and then proceed in order, seconded by Mr. Huss. The vote was 7/0.

After Board discussion a motion was made by Mr. Wyatt.

Action: Mr. Wyatt moved to allow speakers two minutes for public comments, limiting public comments to a total of two hours, seconded by Mr. Huss. The vote was 4/3, opposed. The motion failed. Ms. Rakestraw, Ms. McKinney, Ms. Alston and Ms. McMichael voted opposed. Mr. Wyatt, Mr. Huss and Mr. Isley voted in favor.

Later in the meeting, hearing the public comments, the board discussed according to board policy to continue hearing the public comments or not, and a motion was made as follows.

Action: Ms. Rakestraw moved the Board extend the time to hear the public comments to allow the remaining 17 persons to speak, seconded by Ms. McKinney. The vote was 7/0.

HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS – PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments:

1. Penny Capel
2. Andrew Hazelwood - via zoom
3. Jim Fink
4. Brand Smith (no show – moved to the end of list)
5. Diane Hill – via zoom
6. Meredith Staley
7. Ella Kate Staley
8. Mary Ryan
9. Melanie Morrison
10. Kelly Page – via zoom
11. Christopher Wood
12. Gabe Capel
13. Beverly Burke
14. Diane Parnell
15. Don Powell
16. Ryan Crowder
17. Bill James – via zoom
18. Kelly Janna
19. Stephanie Wood
20. Will Ryan – via zoom
21. Sophie Wood – via zoom
22. Lela McCollum – via zoom
23. Marjorie Bell-Williams
24. Grace Williams
25. Yamaguchi Miho – via zoom
26. Kelly Toney
27. Ron Price
28. Deborah Spencer
29. Malcolm Allen
30. Rochelle Tucker
31. Donna Compton – via zoom
32. Julie Lambeth
33. Chrissy Griffin – via zoom
34. Roxanne Griffin
35. Bernie Parnell
36. Alice McBride
37. Tina Hanes – via zoom
38. Brandyn Myers
39. Molithia Spencer – via zoom
40. Heather Pryor – via zoom
41. Jimmy Galler – via zoom
42. Bill Sinclair – via zoom
43. Lissa Harris
44. Tony Capel – no show
45. Bonnie Cruz
46. Gabriel Cruz
47. Elaine McCollum
48. Brand Smith – via zoom

Note: Public letters from Rev. Curtis Everette Gatewood and Ms. Jennifer Mangrum have been noted as such for public comments and given to the Board.

The Board took a 10-minute break.

Action: Mr. Huss moved to recess the meeting to Wednesday, January 13, 2021 for the remainder of the agenda at Central Administrative Offices, seconded by Ms. Rakestraw. The vote was 7/0.

Action: Ms. McKinney moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Alston. The vote was 7/0.

Minutes signed as approved

Ms. Kimberly McMichael, Board Chair
Rockingham County Board of Education

Dr. Rodney Shotwell
Superintendent of Schools

February 8, 2021