

## BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

### Raleigh County Schools

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

**ROLL CALL** – The Raleigh County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 5:30 PM in Munson Hall at the Raleigh County Schools Central Office with the following members present: President Larry D. Ford, Vice President Jack G. Roop, Ms. Marie Hamrick, Dr. Charlotte Hutchens, Mr. Richard V. Snuffer II, and Mr. C. David Price, Secretary.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Ford called the meeting to order.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADJUSTMENTS**

President Ford requested approval of the agenda. Mr. Snuffer made the motion to approve. Mr. Roop seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

**RECOGNITIONS** – There were no recognitions.

### **DELEGATIONS**

- **Agenda Items** – The following individuals addressed the board regarding school entry recommendations pertaining to mask wearing in schools:
  - Clyde Schuyler
  - Carley Hunter
  - Deanna Farley
  - April Chapman
  - Theresa Dennison
  - Susan Daniel
  - Heather Radford
  - Geneva Cruet
  - Jennifer Okes
  - Stephanie Plumley
  - Rhonda Dillon
  - Casey Radford
  - Patrick Justice
  - Nicole Smith
  - David Shrader

The following individuals e-mailed or hand-delivered their comments for the board members regarding school entry recommendations pertaining to mask wearing in schools:

- Sara Hoten
- Miguel Escobar
- **Non-Agenda Items** – no one registered to address non-agenda items.

### **COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS**

- **Board Reports** - Board members reported their activities since the last meeting.
- **Superintendent's Report** -
  - Superintendent Price updated the board on the ongoing facility projects at various locations, professional staff development as well as policies and procedures.

- Other Reports -
  - Charles Pack, Director/Principal of the Academy of Careers and Technology, outlined the year long preparations for the upcoming accreditation visit from the Council and Occupational Accreditation.
  - Sandra Sheatsley, Assistant Superintendent, shared the enrollment figures for virtual school students in grades 6-12 along with homeschool students. She also provided the board with the orientation dates, beginning date and requirements for virtual school students.
  - Angela Foster, Director of School Health Services, distributed the School Recovery and Guidance pamphlet to the board members and explained the established protocols that will remain in effect for the school year. Mrs. Foster stated that Raleigh County Schools will follow the CDC and Raleigh County Health Department Guidelines.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – There was no unfinished business to be considered.

**POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

**The following policy is to be placed on 30-day comment:**

- Approve the revision for the Substitute Teachers in Areas of Critical Need and Shortage Policy: C.1.31 – as mandated by the state.  
Mr. Snuffer made the motion to approve. Mr. Roop seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

Mr. Snuffer made the motion to approve Consent Items. Dr. Hutchens seconded it. Motion passed 5-0. Consent Items are as follows:

- Approve minutes of Regular Meeting, July 27, 2021
- Approve Budget Supplements and Transfers – July 2021  
Supplements - \$ 959,804.39  
Transfers - \$ 430,661.46
- Approve Payment of Bills – July 2021
- Approve renewal of agreement with RCCAA Head Start
- Approve student transfers for 2021-22
- Future meetings: *Regular Meeting – Tuesday, August 24, 2021 – 5:30 PM – Munson Hal*  
*CLOSED – Monday, September 6, 2021 – Labor Day*  
*WVSBA Fall Conference – September 10/11, 2021 – Charleston Marriott*

**NEW BUSINESS –**

- **Consider approval of architect for WWHS renovations and ACT window replacement**  
After a brief explanation by Assistant Superintendent Dr. Serena Starcher, Mr. Roop made the motion to approve ET Boggess Architect and ZMM Architects. Ms. Hamrick seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.
- **Consider approval of architect for HVAC installations at Independence Middle, Mabscott Elementary, Maxwell Hill Elementary and Park Middle School**  
Mr. Snuffer made the motion to approve ZDS Design/Consulting Services. Mr. Roop seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.
- **Discussion/Possible Action: School re-entry recommendations**  
Superintendent Price presented a choice of three options to the board members for school re-entry:
  - Option 1 – Parental and staff choice for masks – Grades Pre-K – 12
  - Option 2 – Mask wearing for all students as recommended by the Raleigh County Health Dept and CDC for a period of one month to review data on whether to continue with mask wearing
  - Option 3 – Required masks for Grades Pre-K – 5<sup>th</sup>. Optional mask wearing for grades 6-12.

Before a vote was taken, the board emphasized they strongly encourage and highly recommend mask wearing. It was noted that mandatory masks are still required for ALL students riding the bus and on field trips.

Mr. Roop made the motion to go with Option 1 – parental and staff choice for masks in Grades Pre-K-12. His motion also included for it to be reviewed at each board meeting. Dr. Hutchens seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

**CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL**

- **Approve Superintendent’s recommendations for personnel 2021-22**

With no corrections noted and approval of Superintendent Price, Dr. Hutchens made the motion to approve. Mr. Snuffer seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

- **Approve the following for contractual services, as needed:**

With elementary added to the Mentor Position as noted by Superintendent Price, Mr. Snuffer made the motion to approve Ronald B. Cantley, II for Elementary/Secondary/Assistant Principal Mentor. Ms. Hamrick seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

**ADJOURNMENT** – At 7:26 PM the meeting adjourned by consensus.

**RALEIGH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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Larry D. Ford, President

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C. David Price, Secretary