

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Raleigh County Schools

Monday, November 30, 2021

ROLL CALL – The Raleigh County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 30, 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, Dr. Charlotte Hutchens, Ms. Marie Hamrick, 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:

- President Ford and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Serena Starcher awarded the Most Beautiful Campus Awards to the following Elementary Schools:
 - First Place - Rosemarie Kelly – Ridgeview Elementary
 - Second Place – Tamber Hodges – Hollywood Elementary
 - Third Place – Penny Lowery – Shady Spring Elementary
 - Fourth Place – Amanda Richmond – Maxwell Hill Elementary
- Secondary Schools awarded are:
 - Lora Pennington and Joshua Houchins – Trap Hill Middle
 - Rockey Powell – Woodrow Wilson High

DELEGATIONS

- Agenda Items – No one registered to address agenda items.
- Non-Agenda Items – Parent Brandy Stover addressed the board regarding vaccinated students, medical exemptions, mask mandate regulations, and advocate for children.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

- Board Reports – Board members reported their activities since the last meeting.
- Superintendent Updates –
 - Superintendent Price updated the board members with the ongoing facilities projects in the county. State Superintendents will meet December 9/10, 2021 in Wheeling. A work session will be scheduled in January, 2022.
- Other Reports –
 - Attendance Director Kim Lacy stated the current student enrollment is 10,290 without Pre-K, with an attendance rate of 91.837. Homeschool totals 990 students at the end of the 3rd month. Projects the Attendance Department are currently involved with consist of coat donations from the Knights of Columbus and St. Frances DeSales Church Giving Tree which distributes gifts for approximately 100 middle school students. The Attendance Department has submitted a new application grant for McKinney-Vento Act, focusing on older students. The Truancy Court Program will resume in December, 2021.
 - Child Nutrition Director Teresa Baker distributed reports to the board members detailing the challenges the Child Nutrition Department has encountered because of the unavailability of menu

- items, menu adjustments, supply chain issues, special dietary needs shortages, shared table participation and staffing concerns.
- Director of Special Programs Allen Sexton thanked the board members for their approval and support when the T-4 Program was presented in 2018. He shared student statistics, student transitions back to regular classrooms, and was pleased the program had no repeat referrals. Plans are currently in place to expand the program to include Pre-K students.
 - Assistant Superintendent Sandra Sheatsley updated the board members with the second semester opt-in/opt-out dates and deadlines for virtual students. The virtual program has enrolled approximately 35 new second semester students and parent interest to offer a virtual program for elementary students (not offered 2021-22 school year). Virtual Schools will join with Community-In-School Liaisons for assistance to help high school students. Virtual Coordinator Audrey Williams is working with her team on building a program for next year to include Grades 3-5.
 - Director of School Health Services Angela Foster, reported Covid statistics for the week of 11-13-21 to 11-19-21 were 36 positive cases and 130 quarantined students; an increase from the previous week. The week of 11-20-21 to 11-26-21 (Thanksgiving Break) had 1 student case and 12 quarantined students.

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

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – There were no policies or procedures to be considered.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

- Approve renewal of agreements with the Academy of Careers and Technology LPN Program and:
 - 1) Community Health Systems
 - 2) Veterans Affairs Medical Center
- Approve minutes of Regular Meeting, November 9, 2021
- Future meetings/events: *Special Meeting (2nd Public Hearing for 2022-23 Calendar) – Tuesday, December 14, 2021 – 4:30 PM – Munson Hall*
Regular Meeting – Tuesday, December 14, 2021 – 5:30 PM – Munson Hall

NEW BUSINESS – There was no New Business to be considered.

CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL

- Approve Superintendent's recommendations for personnel 2021-22
With no corrections noted and approval of Superintendent Price, Ms. Hamrick made the motion to approve. Mr. Snuffer seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT – At 7:15 PM the meeting adjourned by consensus.

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Larry D. Ford, President

C. David Price, Secretary