

SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

October 2, 2017

The Surry County Board of Education met in regular session on October 2, 2017 with all members present. Dr. Terri E. Mosley called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

- Closed Session On a motion by Mrs. Sutphin, seconded by Mr. Goings, the Board voted to go into closed session at 4:01 p.m. for the following reasons: to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential under state or federal law, including but not limited to N.C.G.S. §115C-319 and N.C.G.S. §115C-402, pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(1); to consult with its attorney in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege, pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(3); to discuss the price or other material terms of a contract for the acquisition of real property, pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(5); and to consider the qualification, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee, or prospective public officer or employee, pursuant to N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6).
- Recess On a motion by Mr. Goings, seconded by Mr. Moser, the Board voted to recess closed session to return to open session at 4:53 p.m.
- Return to Open Session On a motion by Mr. Moser, seconded by Mrs. Sutphin, the Board voted to return to Open Session at 5:04 p.m.
- Recognitions Dr. Travis L. Reeves recognized and the Board congratulated Mrs. Holly Scott, Data Manager at North Surry High School, as the employee of the month for October.
- Dr. Travis L. Reeves recognized the Surry County Schools' Board of Education for earning the Gold Bell Award from the North Carolina School Boards Association. This award is given to Boards of Education where each member earns at least 12 credits hours of training during one year. The law only requires members to attain 12 hours every two years. This is the second year in a row that our Board has received this award.
- Mrs. Sonia Dickerson recognized and the Board congratulated the Meadowview Magnet School Ambassadors for being selected and attending leadership training at North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.
- Mrs. Sonia Dickerson recognized and the Board congratulated Mrs. Tonya Fletcher, Innovation Facilitator at Franklin Elementary, for her leadership and work in our system and other organizations in her field.

Mrs. Sonia Dickerson recognized and the Board congratulated Mrs. Amy Harpe, Innovation Facilitator at Pilot Mountain Elementary School for receiving the American Library Association's 2017 Sara Jaffarian School Library Program Award for Exemplary Humanities Programming.

Public comments No one signed up for Public Comments.

2016-2017 Audit Presentation Mr. Mike Wike, Anderson, Smith, and Wike, PLLC, presented the report from 2016-2017 audit. Surry County Schools received a clean audit report.

Class Size Update Dr. Travis L. Reeves gave a report on the class size legislation and measures that Surry County Schools is doing to comply. Mr. Kevin Via has been monitoring numbers since the first day of class. Requests were made to Pilot Mountain Elementary School parents to voluntarily transfer to Shoals Elementary or Westfield Elementary School to help buffer numbers at Pilot Mountain Elementary School. Five students volunteered to transfer out. Mr. Via will continue to monitor closely to ensure compliance.

Chairman Report In her chairman report, Dr. Terri Mosley reviewed information on upcoming conference opportunities through the North Carolina School Board Association and the National School Board Association. She also wished Dr. Reeves best wishes in his next round of interviews for North Carolina Superintendent of the Year process.

Superintendent's Report Dr. Travis L. Reeves thanked Dr. Mosley and the Board of Education for their support in the North Carolina Superintendent of the Year process.

Dr. Reeves shared the debt issuance calendar from Sarah Bowen, Surry County Finance Director, as it pertains to the Phase I Construction project.

Dr. Reeves shared the five year comparison of per pupil expenditures with the Board.

Many schools participated in hurricane relief efforts in the past month. Dr. Reeves shared this information with the Board.

Dr. Reeves also gave a report on the seventh annual Academic Golf Classic Tournament for the Surry County Education Foundation. The tournament was a great success and raised more than \$25,000.

Consent agenda items On a motion by Mr. Coe, seconded by Mr. Goings, the Board approved the following items as part of the consent agenda:

Minutes from the August 24, 2017 Board Meeting

Minutes from the September 5, 2017 Board Meeting

General Personnel Report

Student Transfers

Field Trips

Children's Center Contract

National Principals
Month

Dr. Terri E. Mosley, Chairman, read the following proclamation for National Principals Month:

Proclamation of Principals' Appreciation Month

WHEREAS, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they'll need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility, and equality; and

WHEREAS, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and

WHEREAS, principals have the essential role in leading our schools to achieve these outcomes; and

WHEREAS, principals work tirelessly to serve our children, our teachers, and our communities with care and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, principals are the linchpins, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders and elected officials in a common enterprise;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Dr. Terri E. Mosley, serving as chairman of the Surry County Board of Education do hereby proclaim October 2017 Principals' Appreciation Month

Signed this second day of October 2017

Terri E. Mosley, Ed.D.
Chairman, Surry County Board of Education

2017-2018 Final
Budget Resolution

On a motion by Mr. Coe, seconded by Mr. Goings, the Board approved the 2017-2018 Final Budget Resolution as presented by the Finance Committee.

Finance Committee:
Local Employee
Supplements

On a motion by Mr. Coe, seconded by Mrs. Sutphin, the Board approved the recommendation from the Finance Committee to provide an additional one time supplement to certified staff in the amount of \$145.00 and an additional one time supplement to classified staff in the amount of \$65.00. This amount would be prorated for any employee working less than 40 hours per week. Administrators and bus drivers are not subject to receiving this supplement. The Board of County

Commissioners gave Surry County Schools a \$150,000 one-time supplemental appropriation for the 2017-18 school year for these supplements.

- Auxiliary Services Committee On a motion by Mr. Goings, seconded by Mr. Moser, the Board approved a \$1.00 per hour increase for bus drivers. Increases will be retroactive to July 1st with any pay adjustments made in October checks. The General Assembly allocated monies to school systems to increase bus driver salaries beginning with the 2017-2018 school year. On a motion by Mrs. Sutphin, seconded by Mr. Goings, the Board approved to charge fees for transcripts and student records based on the fee scale presented by the Auxiliary Services Committee.
- Return to Closed Session On a motion by Mrs. Sutphin, seconded by Mr. Moser, the Board voted to return to closed session at 6:37 p.m.
- Return to Open Session On a motion by Mr. Coe, seconded by Mrs. Sutphin, the Board voted to return to open session at 7:42 p.m.
- EC Contract On a motion by Mr. Coe, seconded by Mr. Goings, the Board voted to approve a contract with Interactive School Therapy, LLC, contingent on the review and approval of Mr. Fredrick G. Johnson.
- Announcements/ Meetings The following announcements were shared: October Leadership Team Meeting, October 4th at Surry Community College Viticulture Center at 12 p.m.; Lunch and Learn at the Central Office on October 9th at the Central Office Boardroom, beginning at 12 p.m., Board Visit and Lunch Service at Dobson Elementary School on October 11th at 9 a.m., Board Visit and Lunch Service at Mountain Park Elementary School on October 18th at 9 a.m., Surry County Education Foundation Fall Appreciation Event on October 24th at Surry Community College Viticulture Center beginning at 4 p.m., Board Visit and Lunch Service at White Plains Elementary School on October 25th at 9 a.m., Board Visit and Lunch Service at Meadowview Magnet Middle School on November 1st at 9 a.m., and the Robotics Tournament on November 4th at Surry Community College Gymnasium at 1 p.m.
- Adjourn There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Sutphin, seconded by Mr. Moser.

Terri E. Mosley, Ed.D., Chairman
Surry County Board of Education

Travis L. Reeves, Ed.D., Superintendent
Surry County Schools