

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

THOMASVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION BOARD BRIEFING

12:00 p.m. November 8, 2017
Huneycutt Administrative Building

Board Members Present: Kevan Callicutt, Keith Raulston, Andrea Walker, James Carmichael, Cheryl Jefferies

Board Attorney Present: Bradley S. Hunt

Also Present: Dr. Patrice Faison, Mrs. Ashton Clemmons, Dr. Cate Gentry, Mr. Scott Powell, and Mrs. Johnnie Musgrave

Upon the Board Briefing being called to order and upon a motion by James Carmichael, seconded by Keith Raulston and approved 5-0, the Board approved the Briefing Meeting Agenda.

Dr. Faison led the Board of Education in a review of the proposed agenda for the regularly scheduled Board Meeting on November 14, 2017. Dr. Faison explained in detail the item on the agenda concerning Davidson Works – Advanced Manufacturing Courses offered in TCS and explained that areas of instruction in STEM, coding, and welding may be available for students in the school system beginning the 2019-2020 school year. Dr. Faison explained to the Board that this is more than a yearlong process but that her and her administrative team had begun the process to explore these options in hopes of making these additional courses available come the 2019-2020 school year. Additionally Dr. Faison brought to the Board's attention the Incentive Plan Rewards for 2017-2018 EVAAS Data and explained to the Board of Education that several teachers will be receiving their stipend in December as a result of exceeding growth on their EVAAS Data. Dr. Faison explained to the Board of Education that High Point University may be awarding the school system an administrator grant whereby one person in the school system may be selected to participate in this grant program which will allow said person to receive their administrator certificate pursuant to the program offered by High Point University. Dr. Faison fielded any and all questions from Board Members concerning items on the agenda for November 14, 2017.

Mr. Scott Powell briefly discussed the Budget Amendment that he will request approval of at the November 14 meeting.

Dr. Cate Gentry led the Board of Education in a discussion of multiple policy revisions that she will request approval of at the November 14th meeting. Additionally Dr. Gentry led the Board of Education in a discussion in regards to several proposed new policy revisions that will be on the Board agenda and that will need to be tabled until the December meeting.

Dr. Faison discussed with the Board of Education her proposal to adjust the local supplement that is paid to administrators. Dr. Faison is of the opinion that the supplement paid to administrators in the school system is significantly higher than the supplement that is paid to administrators in surrounding counties and therefore she would like the Board of Education to reduce the amount of the local supplement applicable to any newly hired school administrators going forward. After discussion between the Board Members, it was recommended that this item be removed from the agenda and that Dr. Faison and her administration will conduct a further study of this proposal and possibly bring a revised version to the Board of Education at the December meeting.

Upon a motion by Andrea Walker, seconded by Keith Raulston and approved 5-0, the Board of Education entered into closed session in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3) to discuss personnel matters pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6).