

Fulton County Board of Education

Minutes

March 11 and 13, 2003

The Fulton County School Board met on March 11, 2003, at 4:37 p.m. at Fulton County Schools Administrative Center for the monthly pre-board work session and on March 13, 2003, at 6:40 p.m. at Dunwoody Springs Elementary School for the legislative meeting. Board President Katie Reeves presided at both meetings. Board members attending the March 11 meeting included Mrs. Reeves, Zenda Bowie, Julia Bernath, Linda Bryant, Gail Dean, Liz Hausmann and Ron Jackson. Board members in attendance at the March 13 meeting included Katie Reeves, Zenda Bowie, Julia Bernath, Linda Bryant, Gail Dean, Liz Hausmann and Ron Jackson.

Audience to Visitors

At pre-board meeting, the following individuals addressed the Board regarding redistricting: Jeannette Wheatley, Cindy Damewood, Ann Duncan and Tammy Daniel. Also at pre-board, Detrius Jones spoke regarding the budget for the Academy of Fulton Charter School Petition, and Reginald Tatum expressed appreciation for the new Sandtown Middle School Site and for unitary status. At board meeting, the following individuals spoke regarding redistricting: Nancy Hallowell, Cara Inman, Lisa Smith, Angele Sandercock and Deborah Brown. Also at board, Catherine Maddox thanked the Board for the safety information on the district's website and also petitioned the Board for additional school social workers.

Approval/Correction of Minutes

The minutes of the February 5 and 20 Called Board Meetings and the February 11 and 13 pre-board and board meetings were approved as submitted.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Julia Bernath
Second: Linda Bryant
Vote: Unanimous

Motion to revise the agenda to add Item XIII C on March 13:

Motion: Zenda Bowie
Second: Liz Hausmann
Vote: Unanimous

Spotlight on Achievement

The March Spotlight featured Independence High School student Orlando Strickland. Orlando says he was already in trouble and headed for worse trouble when he was introduced to the Second Chance Program and Independence High School. At Independence High School, Orlando was enrolled in an art class where he began to paint and eventually progressed to clothing design. Some of his paintings and designs were on display at board meeting. Orlando gave credit to faculty and staff members who gave him motivational speeches and who refused to let him give up. Due to the changes he has made in his life, he will graduate and plans to go to college.

Information and Community Relations

Elizabeth Ackerman, Executive Director
(presented by Susan Hale on March 13)

IX A, Recognitions.

- ◆ A. Philip Randolph Elementary Day at the Capitol
- ◆ Julie Bellware, Centennial HS Student – United States Senate Youth Program
- ◆ AAAAA State Champions – Chattahoochee HS Debate Team and Chattahoochee HS Cheerleading Team
- ◆ Bob Burke, Chattahoochee HS Principal – Ciba Exemplary High School Principal Award

Instructional Services

Barbara N. Hill, Associate Superintendent

The Board received the following for information:

- X A, High Priority Schools;
- X B, Small Learning Communities Grant;

The Board received the following for first reading:

- X C 1, Naming of Langford Elementary School Site;
- X C 2, Naming of Old Alabama Middle School Site;

Motion to add Autrey Mills as a fourth choice for the naming of this school site:

- Motion:** Liz Hausmann
- Second:** Gail Dean
- Vote:** Unanimous

X D, Required Reading Strategies Course for Teachers K-12;

The Board received the following for action:

X E 1, Academy of Fulton County Charter School Petition;

Motion: Ron Jackson
Second: Julia Bernath
Vote: Unanimous

X E 2, Spalding Drive Elementary Charter School Conversion; The Board requested an annual evaluation of this charter school.

Motion: Julia Bernath
Second: Gail Dean
Vote: 5 yeas, 2 nays (Linda Bryant, Zenda Bowie)

X F, Field Trips. The Board approved the list of student groups to participate in school approved out-of-state trips.

Composite Motion for Items X A, B, D and F:

Motion: Ron Jackson
Second: Julia Bernath
Vote: Unanimous

Business Services

W. Harold Grindle, Assistant Superintendent

The Board received the following for information:

XI A, Monthly Financial Report;
XI B, Budget Management and Reconciliation Report;
XI C, Tax Collection Report.

Board Matters

Martha T. Greenway, Executive Director of Planning, Research and Policy

The Board received the following for information:

XII B, 2003 Georgia General Assembly Update;

XII D, Policies and Procedures Review Schedule;

The Board received the following item for first reading:

XII E, Board Policy Revision GAD, Professional Development Opportunities;
XII K, Board Policy Revision KJ, Advertising in the Schools;

The Board received the following items for action:

XII C, Proposed 2003-04 North Fulton Middle School Attendance Zones;

Motion: Ron Jackson
Second: Gail Dean
Vote: 6 yeas, 1 nay (Julia Bernath)

Motion to approve North Fulton Attendance Zones but delay implementation regarding Elkins Pointe until the fall of 2004:

Motion: Julia Bernath

XII M, Out of State Travel for Employees. The Board approved the following requests for travel outside the state.

Educational Leadership and Ethics Conference
London, England
March 21-29, 2003 \$2645 ecd
Employees: Principal Ron Tesch; Associate Superintendent Barbara Hill
Board Member Ron Jackson

National Business Education Association Convention
Dallas, TX
April 16-19, 2003 \$545 ecd
Employee: Donna M. Robinson, Milton HS Teacher

National Japan Bowl Competition
Washington, DC
April 18-20, 2003 \$375 ecd
Employee: Xian Wu, Riverwood HS Teacher

School Solutions User Group Conference
San Francisco, CA
April 24-25, 2003 \$285 ecd
Employee: Linda A. Coffey, CASE Specialist

International Reading Association 48th Annual Conference
Orlando, FL

May 4-8, 2003 \$145 ecd

Employees: Janet D. Green, Heritage ES Teacher; Stephanie H. Davenport,
Heritage ES Media Specialist

National Hands-On Science Institute
Boulder, CO

June 15-20, 2003 \$250 ecd

Employees: Cathy R. Sapp, Jacqueline Burns, Hapeville ES Teachers

Advanced Placement National Conference
Los Angeles, CA

July 17-21, 2003 \$510 ecd

Employee: Keena Ryals Jenkins, Creekside HS Teacher

Composite Motion for Items XII A, E, F and G:

Motion: Gail Dean

Second: Liz Hausmann

Vote: Unanimous

Human Resources

Mike Gray, Assistant Superintendent

The Board approved the following items (all attached):

XIII A1, Personnel Action Report; The Board approved the adoption of the
Personnel Action Report.

<u>Status of Personnel</u>	<u>Elementary</u>	<u>Middle</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Adm.</u>
Personnel to be hired	9	2	2	
Personnel retired	2	2	2	
Personnel requesting leave	3	2	3	
Personnel resigned	5	4	6	

XIII A2, Superintendent's Recommendations;

Administrative Recommendations:

Dan G. Cochran, Executive Director Personnel Services, voluntary retirement
effective May 1, 2003;

Gina L. Kuyers, Contract School Psychologist, newly hired as School Psychologist effective March 14, 2003;

John T. Mills, Florida State University Associate Director of Housing, offer withdrawn as Maintenance Foreman.

Keith R. Staley, Unilever Maintenance Coordinator/Purchasing, newly hired as Maintenance Foreman effective March 14, 2003;

Lance D. Young, Atlanta Public Schools Human Resources Generalist, newly hired as Personnel Services Administrator effective March 14, 2003.

School Recommendations:

Thomas J. Grandstaff, North Springs HS Principal, voluntary resignation effective February 28, 2003.

XIII C. Interim Services Agreement for the New Superintendent. An agreement was reached on March 13 for interim services for the new superintendent. The agreement will be executed by the Board Officers.

Motion: Katie Reeves
Second: Julia Bernath
Vote: 6 yeas, 1 nay (Ron Jackson)

The following items were discussed in Executive Session and approved on March 11:

XIII A3, Level III Employee Complaint Case #098;

Motion: Julia Bernath
Second: Linda Bryant
Vote: Unanimous

XIII B, Student Discipline Tribunal Case #101;

Motion: Ron Jackson
Second: Zenda Bowie
Vote: Unanimous

Composite motion for Items XIII A1 and A2:

Motion: Zenda Bowie
Second: Gail Dean
Vote: Unanimous

Support Services

Michael J. Vanairsdale, Assistant Superintendent

The Board approved the following items:

XIV A, Purchasing Report;

XIV B, Capital Programs Board Action Report;

- a. New Schools – Old Alabama Road and Sandtown MS Sites
- b. Needs Assessments II – Centennial/Chattahoochee Cluster, Milton/Roswell Cluster, North Springs/Riverwood Cluster and Banneker/Tri-Cities Cluster.

Composite motion for Items XIV A and B:

Motion: Zenda Bowie

Second: Gail Dean

Vote: Unanimous

Technology Services

Katie Lovett, Chief Information Officer

The Board received the following for information:

XV A, Technology Services Update.

Katie Reeves, Board President

Thomas M. Payne, Board Secretary

Attendees (March 11)

Dale S. Oldham, staff

Shannan LaPorte, staff

Lori Nunaz, staff

Charles Sipos, staff

Catherine Maddox, parent

Carolyn Davidson-Taylor, staff

Sue Derison, staff

Walter Matlock, staff

Harvey Beasley, staff

Richardean Few, staff

Anita Willingham, staff

Leah Bryant, citizen

Mitzi Edge, staff

Ann Duncan, parent

Cindy Damewood, parent

Reginald Tatum, parent

Anna Elston, parent

Brenda Annisette, staff

Muriel Hepburn, parent

Catherine Snow, staff

Cathy Cochran, staff
Cindy Gordon, parent
Marian Tucker, parent
Ethan Frederick, citizen
Vicki Bulloch, staff
Bob Flowers, staff

Bruce Moody, parent
Renee Price, staff
Barbara Fox, staff
Robert C. Herbert, citizen
Glenn Thomas, parent

Attendees (March 13)

Detrius Jones, parent
John Warden, student
Cristy Jones, student
Adam Abelkop, student
Shannon LaPorte, staff
Cheryl Mathis, parent
Timbreal Mathis, student
Chermia Mathis, student
Cara Inman, parent
Deborah Brown, parent
Jennifer Schau, staff
Susan Hale, staff
Catherine Maddox, citizen
Clifford C. Hepburn, parent
Millie Hoenn, student
Shama Barclay, student
Lauren Veboda, student
Cathy Cochran, staff
Wilma G. Matthews, staff
Nancy Bakalv, parent
Julia Bellware, student
Nicolette Wheeler, staff
Cheryl Williams, staff
Jeanne Wood, staff
Charles Sipos, staff
Kimothy Jarrett, staff
Blanche Smith, parent
Sarah Ware, staff
Arletta Brinson, staff
Charlotte Pritchett, staff
Therese McGuire, staff
Debbie Edmancryl, staff
Kathy Grant, parent

Laura Bennett, teacher
Debbie Gallagher, parent
Barbara Sweet, parent
Kerri Brooks, citizen
Deborah C. Jones, parent
Roxanne McCollough, citizen
Catherine Bennett, parent
Gayle Nelson, staff
Sheila Landua, staff
Cynthia Iredale, staff
Nancy Terrinomi, parent
Vicki Bulluck, staff
Nancy Hallowell, parent
Jimmy McMahan, staff
Michelle Gains, staff
Sara Clement, staff
Sandra Richards, citizen
Jane Grundy, citizen
Steve Grundy, citizen
Sarah Marton, citizen
Marc Marton, citizen
Jennifer Carol, parent
Dottie Pettes, staff
Catherine and William Zagorski, parents
Laura Dobbs, parent
Jim Hardy, parent
Dale Richardson, citizen
Carla Dean, staff
Ron Wade, staff
Rebecca Stephens, citizen
Betty Callahan, citizen
W. F. Callahan, citizen
Anne Bishop, citizen

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Dorothy Lloyd, citizen
Ida Flynn, citizen
Nancy Catalin, citizen
Jane Smith, parent
Greg Smith, parent
Jana Koceninskie, citizen
Andrea Nixon, parent
Eric Farina, staff
Regina Jennings, staff

Richard Babel, citizen
Jodie Richey, parent
Woody Lott, staff
Marcia A. Spielberg, staff
Kelly Palmater, staff
Catherine Smith, staff
Ronald T. Trussell, staff
Sheri Hodges, parent

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