

Fulton County Board of Education

Minutes

September 7 and 9, 2004

The Fulton County School Board met on September 7, 2004, at 4:30 p.m. at Dunwoody Springs Elementary School for the monthly pre-board work session, and on September 9, 2004, at 6:40 p.m. at Fulton County Schools' Administrative Center for the legislative meeting. President Katie Reeves presided. Board Member Linda Bryant was unable to attend the pre-board work session. All other Board Members were in attendance.

Recognitions

Students and staff were recognized for outstanding achievement.

Audience to Visitors

There were no speakers at the September pre-board meeting. At board meeting, Principal Debbie Reeves voiced appreciation for the renovation of her school this summer; Keith Sumas, GEMA Representative, commended the school system on school safety plans; Muriel Hepburn and Clifford Hepburn addressed the Board regarding outsourcing of Capital Programs; Reggie Tatum and Zelda Rose spoke regarding south Fulton concerns; Faith Rashidi asked to meet with staff regarding a student matter; and Christopher Libby spoke regarding concerns about a school coach.

Approval/Correction of Minutes

The minutes of the August 10 and 12 pre-board and board meetings were approved as submitted.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Gail Dean
Second: Liz Hausmann
Vote: Unanimous

Approval of the Revised Agenda:

Motion: Linda Bryant
Second: Julia Bernath
Vote: Unanimous

Spotlight on Achievement

The September spotlight highlighted a collaborative between the school system and the High Museum of Arts. The goal of this program is to provide students with a curriculum-based experience that enhances reading and writing by reviewing works of art. Students are exposed

to varied learning styles and new experiences such as visiting the High Museum and thereafter expressing what they have learned through writing poems or short stories.

Board Matters
Michael J. Vanairsdale, Superintendent

The Board received the following for first reading:

IX A, Policy Governance Model.

Instruction
Sam Taylor, Chief of Instructional Support

The Board received the following for information:

X A, No Child Left Behind Update;

The Board received the following for action:

X B, Charter School Renewal Petition; The motion was to approve non-renewal of Victory's Charter.

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

Motion to delay voting on Victory's Charter until October pre-board:

Motion: Gail Dean

X C1, Fulton Science Academy Charter School Amendment;
X C2, Amana Academy Charter School Amendment;

X D, 2005-2006 School System Calendar;

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

Motion to amend the calendar to end on December 21:

Motion: Liz Hausmann
Second: Katie Reeves
Vote: 3 yeas, 3 nays (Julia Bernath, Gail Dean, Ron Jackson), 1 Abstention (Linda Bryant)

X E, Hearing Officer Position.

Composite motion for Items X C1, C2 and XE:

Motion: Zenda Bowie
Second: Ron Jackson
Vote: 6 yeas, 1 nay (Liz Hausmann)

Business

W. Harold Grindle, Chief Financial Officer

The Board received the following for information:

XII A1, Monthly Financial Report;
XII A2, Monthly Budget Report;
XII A3, Tax Collection Report;

The Board received the following for action:

XII B, Monthly Budget Amendments;
XII C, Consolidated Grant Application;

The following item was discussed in Executive Session and approved on September 7:

XII D. Workers' Compensation Settlement.

Motion: Gail Dean
Second: Julia Bernath
Vote: Unanimous

Composite Motion for Items XII B and C:

Motion: Zenda Bowie
Second: Ron Jackson
Vote: Unanimous

Planning and Evaluation

Martha T. Greenway, Chief Officer

The Board received the following for information:

XIII A, Policies and Procedures Review Schedule;
XIII A1, Board Policy JBD, Attendance and Absences;

The Board received the following for first reading:

XIII A2, Administrative Procedure JBD, Attendance and Absences;

The Board received the following items for action:

XIII A3, Board Policy IEB, Charter Schools;

Motion: Linda Bryant
Second: Gail Dean
Vote: Unanimous

XIII A4, Administrative Procedure IH, Acceptance of Student Course Credit and/or Grades.

Composite motion for Items XIII A1, A2 and A4:

Motion: Julia Bernath
Second: Linda Bryant
Vote: 6 yeas, 1 abstention (Gail Dean)

Human Resources

J. Randall Reece, Chief Human Resources Officer

The Board received the following items for action:

XIV 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	77	43	57	
Personnel to be re-hired	49	14	20	
Personnel requesting leave	1	5	1	
Personnel rescinded resignations	4			
Personnel resigned		11	8	
Personnel retired			2	
Personnel disability retired			2	

XIV A2, Superintendent's Recommendations;

Motion: Ron Jackson
Second: Julia Bernath
Vote: Unanimous

XIV A3, Out of State Travel for Employees.

Composite motion for Items XIV A1 through A3;

Motion: Ron Jackson
Second: Zenda Bowie
Vote: Unanimous

Operations

Bob Leon, Assistant Superintendent

The Board approved the following items:

XV A, Purchasing Report;

Motion: Ron Jackson
Second: Gail Dean
Vote: Unanimous

XV B1a, Newtown Recreation at Barnwell ES Lease Agreement;

XV B1b, YMCA at Dolvin ES Lease Agreement;

XV B1c, YMCA at Findley Oaks ES Lease Agreement;

XV B1d, YMCA at Mountain Park ES Lease Agreement;

XV B1e, YMCA at New Prospect ES Lease Agreement;

XV B1f, YMCA at Shakerag ES Lease Agreement;

XV B1g, YMCA at Haynes Bridge MS Lease Agreement;

Motion: Liz Hausmann
Second: Ron Jackson
Vote: Unanimous

XV B2, Capital Programs Board Action Report;

- **Infrastructure Improvements: Westlake HS;**

Motion: Linda Bryant
Second: Julia Bernath
Vote: Unanimous

The following item was discussed in Executive Session and approved on September 7:

XV B3, Authorization for the Superintendent to Approve Condemnation, if necessary, to acquire property.

Motion: Ron Jackson

Second: Julia Bernath

Vote: Unanimous

Motion to defer action on property until the agreement with Parson's is finalized:

Motion: Liz Hausmann

Second: Gail Dean

Vote: 2 yeas, 4 nays (Ron Jackson, Zenda Bowie, Katie Reeves, Julia Bernath)
1 abstention (Linda Bryant)

Composite Motion for Items XV B1, B2 and B2:

Motion: Ron Jackson

Second: Julia Bernath

Vote: Unanimous

Katie Reeves, Board President

Michael J. Vanairsdale, Board Secretary

Attendees (September 7)

Patrick M. Muenchen, staff

Melissa Gilbreath, staff

Bob Flowers, staff

Tina Williams, parent

Joan Muenchen, parent

Dan Wade, staff

Therese McGuire, staff

Stephanie Little, staff

Kim O'Brien, staff

Kathy Shields, staff

Dan Sullivan, staff

Cathy Aielli, staff

Tracy Trussell, staff

Denise Jennings, staff

Jimmy Zoll, staff

Robert Theriault, staff

Andy Ross, staff

Yvette Green, staff

Wilma Matthews, staff

Jim Haverstick, staff

Peter Gaddis, staff

Tricia Durham, staff

Daniel Gillette, staff

Doug Brown, staff

Irene Scheiger, parent

Woody Lott, staff

Vivian Bankston, staff

Warren Collier, parent

Nancy Wadel, staff

Cephus Jackson, staff

Chris Matthews, staff

Ehab Jaleel, parent

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Dee Taylor, staff

Muriel Hepburn, parent
Clifford Hepburn, parent

Attendees (September 9)

Willie J. Greer, parent
Janice Greer, parent
Elizabeth Moore, staff
Linda Usher, parent
Viola Dumas, parent
Sherri Jenkins, parent
R. Russell, parent
Carolyn Klein, parent
Erica Johnson, staff
Tamara Phillips, parent
Linda Dyson, parent
Karen Lewis, parent
Clifford Hepburn, parent
Bruce Moody, parent
James Reese, parent
Michele Powell, parent
Chrystal Richardson, parent
Tammie Dudley, parent
Brettina Stokes, parent
Natalie Stokes, student
Janelle K. Stokes, student
Ehab Jaleel, parent
Amika Daggett, parent
S. Byrd, parent
Kenya Smith, parent
Natalie Lawson, parent
Lorraine Smith, parent
Karon Williams, parent
Zelda Rose, parent
Sandra Lawhorn-Knight, parent
Victoria Jackson, student
Lindsey Rose, student

Elva Ferguson, parent
A. Boyce, staff
Christel Jackson, parent
Cheron Jackson, parent
Vanessa Johnson, staff
Zina Rhodes, staff
Woody Lott, staff
Nicolette Wheeler, staff
Vince and Sandra Bell, parents
Cierra Geter, student
Antonia Geter, student
Jacqueline Geter, parent
Antonia Geter, parent
Victor and Anittia Moody, parents
Dwayne Sullivan, parent
Chris Matthews, staff
Rolanda Terrell, parent
Daphne Reece, parent
Letres Grier, staff
Kathleen Martin, parent
Victoria Chennault, parent
Delira Davis, parent
Valerie Scott, parent
Muriel Hepburn, parent
Cristy Jones, student
Clarise Daniels, student
Judy Dennison, staff
Nancy Wadel, staff
Amy Barger, staff
Annie Duvall, staff

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