

**Meeting Minutes**  
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**Board of Education Meeting**  
**03/02/2017 06:30 PM**  
Historic Currituck County Courthouse

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**Attendees**

**Voting Members**

Dr. Bill Dobney, Chair  
Karen Etheridge , Vice Chair  
Dwan Craft, Board Member  
Will Crodick, Board Member  
Janet Rose, Board Member

**Non-Voting Members**

Mark Stefanik, Superintendent  
Jenna Akers, Student Board Member  
Tyler Little, Student Board Member  
Jacob Walton, Student Board Member

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**A. Call to Order**

1. Invocation
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. School Spotlight - Principal Angel Lasher & Dr. W.T. Griggs Elementary School

W.T. Griggs Elementary was featured during the school spotlight. Principal Angel Lasher introduced staff and students. She informed the Board of the new Griggs News Team formed by students. Team members provided Board Members with a copy of their newsletter. Each student spoke about their part in creating the newsletter and using Google Docs. The teacher sponsor is Sandy Reynolds, AIG Teacher.

4. Approval of Agenda (Action)

Motion made by: Dwan Craft

Motion seconded by: Karen Etheridge

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

**B. Globally Competitive Students**

1. Student Board Member Reports

Student Board Members reported on school events and athletics. They announced that the Board of Education was accepting applications to fill the junior positions for the 2017-2018 school year.

2. Approved Field Trip Requests:

- a. CCHS- Basketball Playoffs, Fayetteville, NC, 2/20-2/21 2017
- b. CCHS - Baseball Tournament, Hatteras, NC, 3/3-3/4 2017
- c. CCHS - DECA Competition, Greensboro, NC, 3/8-3/11 2017
- d. CCHS - Girls Soccer, Wilson NC, 3/10-3/11/17

### **C. 21st Century Professionals**

#### **1. National Board Certified Teacher Recognition**

Christine Hodges, Instructional Leader, recognized Anita Cotton and Virginia Schwalen for NBCT renewal. Both teachers have a long history with Currituck County Schools. Ms. Hodges spoke about the teachers' positive experiences with the renewal process and how they felt it promoted a renewed inspiration in teaching.

#### **2. State Awarded Performance Bonus Awards - Teacher Recognition**

Sandy Kinzel, Assistant Superintendent, thanked Christine Hodges for elevating the support for teachers seeking NBCT.

Ms. Kinzel recognized 14 teachers who were recently awarded the state's performance bonus. She explained the bonus was a pilot initiative through the General Assembly. Three groups of teachers were awarded bonuses; 3rd Grade Reading, Advanced Placement & Career & Technical Education. Set and defined criteria had to be met in order for the teachers to receive the bonuses.

Mrs. Kinzel said that collaboration was a major part in the success and that the district had contacted the state about including additional teachers in future initiatives.

### **D. Public Comment Session**

With no comments, the session was closed.

### **E. 21st Century Systems**

#### **1. Amendment to Policy 4326 Random Suspicionless Student Drug Testing (Action)**

Superintendent Stefanik explained that Policy 4326 was not quite aligned with the guidelines of the district's Athletic Discipline procedures. The goal of the revision to the policy is to provide support to students who test positive. The policy has been amended to tentative approval which will go into effect following the approval of the Board. The policy will be placed on the April agenda as well.

The Board discussed extending the starting date of the new policy requirements to April 1st in order to give staff enough time to notify students of the changes. However

it was determined that the spring sports schedule may cause a conflict, so mid-March was probably best.

Principal Dowdy, Currituck County High School, said she would notify students and any clubs that were affected by the revisions. The entire student body will be notified and forms sent out to students. Principal Dowdy will also use the district's automated phone system to notify parents. Mr. Crodick said it was important that everyone was promptly notified about the changes.

Motion made by: Will Crodick

Motion seconded by: Dwan Craft

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

#### **F. Consent Agenda (Action)**

Motion made by: Karen Etheridge

Motion seconded by: Janet Rose

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

1. Personnel Report Dated March 2, 2017

a. (c) Leave Report

2. Board Meeting Minutes February 2, 2017

3. (c) Banking Reconciliation

4. Contracts:

The Board discussed the CHKD Athletic Trainer contract. The current three year term may offer more of a savings versus a one year contract.

Mrs. Kinzel informed the Board that other curriculum supports would be put in place for students, in addition to the Chromebooks.

a. CHKD Athletic Trainer Services

b. Chromebook Purchase Order

5. 2017-2018 Currituck County Schools Calendar

#### **G. Information Items**

1. Work Session - April 6, 2017 at Professional Learning Center (PLC) located on the campus of JP Knapp Early College, 4:00 p.m.

2. Board of Education Meeting - April 6, 2017 at Historic Currituck Courthouse, 6:30 p.m.

**H. Board Member Comments**

Karen Etheridge announced a very busy upcoming schedule for the schools and Board of Education. She visited several schools over the past month. She saw all the children engaged during her visits and was very proud to be part of the Board.

Dwan Craft visited all 10 schools in the past month. She had a wonderful time at each school.

Mr. Crodick attended preliminary budget meetings and a joint meeting to review the local appropriation. He will continue to push for more funding and wants to provide a higher quality of education than what the state requires.

Mrs. Rose was very busy visiting several schools and attending several athletic events.

Superintendent Stefanik announced he is working on a report comparing similar size districts and regional data; 12 districts and 3,000-6,000 students. He reported Currituck County Schools currently ranks 2nd locally and regionally the district ranks 3rd out of 19 districts. Superintendent Stefanik said the district is in a process of continued improvement.

Dr. Dobney attended several athletic events and numerous budget meetings. He said the district will continue to deal with the loss of small schools funding which has continually affected the budget and impacted the use of local funding.

**I. Adjourn Meeting (Action)**

Motion made by: Karen Etheridge

Motion seconded by: Dwan Craft

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

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Chairperson

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Secretary