

**Board of Education
Yadkin County Schools
Yadkinville, NC**

A regular meeting of the Yadkin County Board of Education was held on Monday, September 10, 2012 at 9:30a.m. at Forbush Elementary School.

Present: Frank Brown, Howard McKnight, Jennifer Hemric, Rex Baity, Joe Dezern, Diane Hampton, Lynn Allred

Student
Representatives: Samuel Stone, Kayla Smith, Milca Joaquin

Administrative: Stewart Hobbs, Donna Boyles, Karen Matthews, Diana Jones, Chris Fowler, Alice Connolly, Celia Perry, Kathy Hughes, Denise Bullin, Kathy Sommers, Donald Hawks, Denise Willis, Myra Cox, Adam Harrelson, Rickey Oakes

Staff Members: Tammy Miller, Leah Williams

Visitors: Lindsay Craven, David Nance

#12-067
Closed Session: On motion by Dezern, seconded by Allred, the Board entered closed session at 8:30a.m. for reasons 1-9.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#12-068
Recess Closed
Session: On motion by Baity, seconded by Hampton, the Board recessed closed session to return to open session.

Yes: All members voted yes.

Pledge of
Allegiance: Maddie Moxley, 4th grade student at Forbush Elementary, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: Diane Hampton gave the invocation.

#12-069
Approval of
Minutes: On motion by Hampton, seconded by Hemric, the Board approved the August 6, 2012 minutes of the Board of Education.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#12-070
Joint Meeting:

On motion Hemric, seconded by Allred, the Board approved the July 30, 2012 minutes of the Joint Commissioners meeting.

Yes:

All members voted yes.

Good News:

Donna Boyles discussed the “First in Math” Program that schools participated in last year. This is a problem solving type software that was started in October, 2011 and ran through May, 2012. Our students solved 7,705,896 math problems using this software. In addition, some of our schools received statewide recognition. Ms. Boyles distributed the following awards:

- #1 Ranked Team in North Carolina for 3rd Grade - YES - Renee Snow's class
- #2 Ranked Team in North Carolina for 2nd Grade - YES-Kathy Childress' class
- #2 Ranked Team in North Carolina for the "whole school" category for 3rd grade - YES
- #3 Ranked Team in North Carolina for the "whole school" category for 4th grade - FES
- #1 Ranked Team in North Carolina for the "whole school" category for 6th grade - FCS
- #2 Ranked Team in North Carolina for the "whole school" category for 6th grade - BES
- #3 Ranked Team in North Carolina for the "whole school" category for 6th grade - CES

Dr. Hobbs stated that he had parents tell him they couldn't get their kids off the computer because of working these math problems. He stated this is evidence of how students learn today with mobile devices and computers.

Presentation:

David Nance from Yadkin Valley Telephone discussed with the Board their local channel broadcasting. He also thanked the Board for allowing them to tape and show the Unifi Bowl game on television. In addition, he stated they had also included the game on their website so those without Yadkin Valley Telephone coverage could watch the Unifi Bowl game. He stated that Yadkin Valley Telephone has been in business for 62 years serving Yadkin County and they like to be involved with the school systems.

He stated they could televise the following things for our school system:

- ✓ Showcase students by filming and broadcasting sporting events – volleyball, basketball and wrestling as well as football
- ✓ musical productions if no infringing on copyrights

- ✓ awards presentations, scholarships, etc.
- ✓ homecoming
- ✓ dedication of new facilities
- ✓ teacher of the year
- ✓ developing a “get to know your staff” (bus driver, cafeteria worker, staff members that work behind the scenes, etc.) segment
- ✓ any positive information that is going on

He also stated they can offer a fundraising opportunity by selling DVDs of the events that are televised. He informed the Board they currently sell the DVDs for \$13; however, they would sell to a group wishing to do fundraising the DVDs for \$6.50 and then group could sell them for \$13. Mr. Nance stated he appreciated everything the Board had allowed them to do up to this point; however, they would love to be able to film more positive things in the school system. Mr. Brown asked how many families Yadkin Valley Telephone served and Mr. Nance stated they currently serve 600-650 in Yadkin County; however, they were adding 3-5 customers per day with the service. There was also discussion concerning the Jonesville and Boonville areas who are not customers of Yadkin Valley and Mr. Nance stated they will be looking at these to areas to serve; however, this is probably six years out. He did state that these areas would be able to view the videos through their website. Diane Hampton stated she thought it would be good to film graduation ceremonies and that this would be a good fundraiser. Dr. Hobbs stated he would like to see the “Good News” televised maybe once per week. Howard McKnight thanked David Nance for the presentation.

#12-071
Consent Agenda:

On a motion by Baity, seconded by Hampton, the Board approved the consent agenda items listed below:

- Personnel – New Employees

Courtney Elementary School

Candidate’s Name – Laura Hobson
 College/Degree – Bachelors
 Certification – K-6
 Assignment – Grade 6 Teacher
 Experience – 0 years
 Salary – \$3,080.00/month
 Salary Source – State
 New Position – Y

Fall Creek Elementary School

Candidate’s Name – Brett Boles
 College/Degree – N/A
 Certification – N/A

Assignment – OOST Assistant Director
Experience – 4 years as Group Leader
Salary – \$10.72/hour
Salary Source – OOST Fees
New Position – N – Replacing Wendy Butler

Candidate's Name – Joyce Vanhoy
College/Degree – N/A
Certification – N/A
Assignment – OOST Director
Experience – Pending
Salary – \$11.18/hour
Salary Source – OOST Fees
New Position – N – replacing Heather Hodges

Candidate's Name – Audra Kline
College/Degree – Bachelors
Certification – K-6 & 6-9 Language Arts
Assignment – Grade 6 Teacher
Experience – 0 years
Salary – \$3,080.00/month
Salary Source – State
New Position – N – Replacing Lisa Pendry

Forbush Elementary School

Candidate's Name – Anna “Penny” Ruble
College/Degree – Bachelors
Certification – N/A
Assignment – Part-time (50%) Interim Teacher Assistant
Experience – 5+ Years
Salary – \$1,075.00/month
Salary Source – State
New Position – Y

Candidate's Name – Angela Wall
College/Degree – N/A
Certification – N/A
Assignment – OOST Assistant Director
Experience – Pending
Salary – \$10.72/hour
Salary Source – OOST Fees
New Position – N – replacing Joyce Vanhoy

Jonesville Elementary School

Candidate's Name – Dustin Haley
College/Degree – N/A
Certification – N/A

Assignment – OOST Assistant Director
 Experience – Has been a group leader
 Salary – \$10.59/hour
 Salary Source – OOST Fees
 New Position – N – replacing Stephanie Phillips

Starmount High School

Candidate’s Name – Taylor Doss
 College/Degree – Bachelors
 Certification – K-6 & EC
 Assignment – EC Teacher
 Experience – 0 Years
 Salary – \$3,080.00/month
 Salary Source – EC Funds
 New Position – N – replacing Cynthia Newman

Yadkin Success Academy

Candidate’s Name – Randall Hunt
 College/Degree – Bachelors
 Certification – N/A
 Assignment – Crisis Intervention Assistant
 Experience – Substitute
 Salary – Pending
 Salary Source – State
 New Position – N – replacing Brian Modlin

Candidate’s Name – Debbie Shepherd
 College/Degree – N/A
 Certification – N/A
 Assignment – Custodian (part-time-50%)
 Experience – 0 years
 Salary – \$10.71/hour
 Salary Source – State
 New Position – N – replacing Linda Tucker

- Approval of the following Substitute Teachers:

Substitute Name
Adams, Brenda M.
Adams, Melissa
Allen, Michael Dean
Allen, Tammy S
Allred, Jana C.
Andrews, Loretta Yarboro

Bennett, Mary Jilda
Blackburn, Jeffery A
Bobbitt, Alicia Sue
Boles, Karen Wood
Bowman, Jan Haliburton
Bowman, Rebekah L
Brooks, Solomon Craig

Brown, David L
Bruce, Melissa R.
Bryant, Sandra J
Bryson, Teresa A
Buckingham, Michele
Bujan, Denise Raines
Bumgarner, Teresa C
Burcham, Ashley Ariane
Burkett, George William
Carter, Lauren E
Caselles, Bobbie Eddleman
Caudle, Rebecca Jean
Chappell, Douglas C
Chappell, Judy O
Coe, Jennie Wall
Coffey, Clara M
Collins, Rosa L
Davis, Bradford Gray
Davis, Judy Marie
Davis, Lynn S
Davis, Steve Kent
Diaz, Sharon Lee
Dinkins, Marilyn Jeanette
Dixon, Patricia Marohn
Dobson, Martha H
Dorton, Angela Marie
Doss, Christopher Adam
Doub, LeAnn Mounce
Edwards, Robert H
Ellis, Ava S
Fleming, Tiffany Leigh
Fletcher, William Charles
Foster, Christina Casstevens
Gardner, Chelsey Leigh
Garner, Annette W
Gough, Deborah D
Gough, Robin A
Gray, Rebekah Joy
Groce, Elizabeth M
Haigwood, Dena Kiger
Haire, Vicky L
Hall, Caroline G

Handy, Nathan
Harper, Lindsay Crabb
Harris, Emily V
Hauser, Christopher L
Hauser, Kelly B
Hennings, Nathan Gray
Hensley, Margie W.
Hobson, Kay Frances
Hobson, Lisa Hunt
Holthouser, William H
Hoots, Jennifer J
Hudspeth, Amber Trivette
Hudspeth, Monna
Hutchens, John G
Hutchens, Vicky Chandler
Hutchins, Evyonne H
Jones, Donna Marie
Joyner, Sue W
Key, Connie W
Kiger, Frances K
Kiser, David L
Kline, Audra M
Kubat, Chad Matthew
Labine, Robin Smith
Lane, Lori Leonda
Lewis, Marie
Lineberry, Tracy W
Luffman, Rebecca S
Madison, Jennifer Jarvis
Martin, James K
Martin, Phil F.
Martin, Theresa E
Mauldin, Donna Blanche
McComb, John W
McComb, Linda B
McGuire, Zola
McIntosh, Shirley Ann
McKnight, Shelbie S
McLean, Michael F
Meadows, Hannah Leigh
Mercer, John L
Motsinger, Deborah C

Nance, Glenda C
Norman, Arlis S
Norman, Richard D
Oliver, Gretchen B.
Owen, Sandra S
Pardue, Linda T
Pardue, Shelby Swaim
Pendergrass, Debra S
Phillips, Courtney Carol
Pierce, Stephanie
Pinnix, Mark Ryan
Porter, Susan
Prevette, Terri Dale
Ratlidge, Patti S
Reavis, James Marshall
Reavis, Jennifer Leigh
Redden, Sue M
Renegar, Pamela Poindexter
Ruble, Anna Penelope
Rucker, Erin Teresa
Sanders, Martha Steelman
Shaffner, Barry
Shindlecker, Kathy
Shoaf, Melanie Meadows
Shore, Alice C
Shore, Angela
Shore, Gayle G
Shore, Janice S
Shore, Leigh Anne
Sigmon, Larry Donald
Sims, Ashley Ciara
Smith, Mary L
Snow, Tara Leanne
Speer, Patricia W
Spicer, Dolores Placek
Stanley, Shirley Casstevens

Steelman, Charlotte S
Steelman, Linda Swift
Steelman, Lisa S
Stevens, Stephanie T
Stewart, Audrey Jean
Storie, Burl Bradley
Styers, Allen
Sunderman, Janet Sofley
Swaim, Deborah Karen
Swaim, Jane D
Taylor, Gail
Thomas, Georgia C
Tulbert, Amber Rae
Turner, Jimmy
Vestal, Justin C
Vestal, Myra Brown
Voss, Joseph C
Walker, Jo Anne Bates
Wall, Valonta Speer
Warfel, Amy
Weatherman, Maxine P
Welborn, Chandler Elizabeth
Welborn, Elizabeth Hutchens
Wells, Lawren Stone
West, Scarlett Lee
White, Anne C
Whittington, June
Wilkins, Tonya S
Wood, Patricia Irene
Woolschlager, Cherri L
Wooten, April Parker
Wooten, Frances S
Wooten, Hedy Howell
York, Johnna H.

- Graduation Schedule as follows:
Starmount High School – May 21 at Peacehaven Baptist Church
(Time TBD)

Forbush High School – May 22 or 23 at Calvary Baptist Church (Time TBD)

Yadkin Early College – May 17 @ at Peacehaven Baptist Church (6:30p.m.)

#12-072
Policy 5030
Community Use
Of Facilities: On motion by Hemric, seconded by Hampton, the Board approved Policy 5030 – Community Use of Facilities as presented.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#12-073
School Advisory
Replacements: On motion by Allred, seconded by Hemric, the Board approved the School Advisory Council Replacements with the following changes/additions: revise the terms so they are staggered, include one member from each feeder school for middle and high school, revise Policy 5005.

Yes: All members voted yes.

Information Items:

1. Administration has received the following resignations:
Steven Swaim – Maintenance Department – retiring effective November 1, 2012
Jessica Harris – OOST Group Leader at Yadkinville Elementary – resigning effective August 6, 2012
Emily Goins – OOST Group Leader at East Bend Elementary – resigning effective August 3, 2012
Wendy Butler – OOST Assistant Director at Fall Creek Elementary – resigning effective August 13, 2012
Heather Hodges – OOST Director at Forbush Elementary – resigning effective August 13, 2012
Lisa Pendry – Teacher at Fall Creek Elementary - resigning (Ms. Pendry is currently being held for 30 days or until a replacement is hired)
2. Administration reviewed the following transfers:
Stephanie Phillips – Interim OOST Director at Jonesville Elementary School to OOST Director at Jonesville Elementary School.
3. Administration has approved the following Leaves of Absence:
Tonya Moss – Teacher at Forbush Elementary School – Maternity Leave beginning September 14, 2012
Judy Wilburn – EC Teacher at Forbush High School – Medical Leave from August 29, 2012 through October 16, 2012
4. The Board reviewed contracts/purchases.

5. The Board reviewed student releases.
6. The Board reviewed the revision of Policy 3225/4312/7320-Internet/Network and the Educational Program and will vote on this change at the October 1, 2012 meeting.
7. The Board reviewed fundraiser requests.
8. The Board reviewed the Health Department Agreement.
9. The Board reviewed the following field trip:
 - Forbush High School** – National FFA Convention - October 23-27, 2012
 - Destination: Indianapolis, Indiana
 - Description of Trip: Students will explore careers and opportunities in agriculture, develop leadership skills and build a nationwide network for future references.
 - Number of students: 6
 - Number of adults: 1
 - Transportation: Charter Bus
 - Cost per student: \$400.00 (self-pay, donations and fundraisers)
10. The Board reviewed the September schedule of activities.

Comments

Dr. Hobbs stated we had a great start to the school year and that it has been one of best he has ever had. He also stated there was some frustration regarding common core/essential standards and MSLS. He informed the Board we begin discussion regarding the 2013-2014 calendar in the next couple of weeks. He stated there have been numerous changes with regards to the calendar and that the legislators have indicated they could revisit this issue when the next session begins; however, this would not be until February and we cannot wait that late to develop a calendar. He stated there needs to be discussion concerning the number of student days as the new changes state students must go to school 185 days or 1,025 instructional hours. At this time, he indicated that we still qualify for the weather waiver for one more year; however, the start date cannot be before August 19. He also informed the Board he would like to have a Board member serve on the calendar committee to hear the discussion. Dr. Hobbs stated that Wilkes County had been on a shortened calendar for a few years and that their test scores continue to rise. He also stated that he thinks there will be a lot of different calendars that come out from each LEA. In addition, he informed the Board that he doesn't know what the best calendar is; however, he does believe that getting exams in before Christmas is educationally sound. He stated that he will send the calendar committee dates to the Board members and they were welcome to attend the meetings.

Kayla Smith stated that Forbush High School is off to a great start and students are working hard. She also stated that this past Friday Forbush had a blood drive and they had many students and parents to volunteer.

Milca Jarquin stated that the Early College was also off to a good start and they had welcomed 51 new students. She also stated they are planning social events to help celebrate their success

and their English exams as they are at the top of the county. She indicated they are looking at a possible trip to Carowinds.

Samuel Stone stated that Starmount High School was also off to great start and that things are going well. He stated they had a great pep rally before the Unifi Bowl. He also informed the Board that most of the athletic teams were off to a great start and that things were really good at Starmount at this time.

Rex Baity thanked Mr. Sheek and Forbush Elementary for their hosting the Board meeting. He also thanked Donna Boyles for the news she shared regarding the First in Math program. He stated that he thinks everything is going good and he looks forward to the rest of the year.

Diane Hampton thanked Mr. Sheek for having the Board at Forbush Elementary. She also asked if each high school currently has Physics classes. She indicated while she knows these classes are hard to fill, she would like for us to build up our Physics as this is the background for engineering. The student representatives indicated that Physics is offered at their high schools.

Jennifer Hemric thanked Mr. Sheek for his hospitality. She also thanked Donna Boyles for sharing the math information and that she was pleased to hear about how well our students had done. She also stated is is very proud of the students in Yadkin County.

Lynn Allred-stated there was a lot to be proud of in our schools and that there was lots of good work going on. He also stated he appreciated the comments from David Nance of Yadkin Valley Telephone and he felt there was a lot of positives with this program. He also stated he felt it would be a good idea to send out an automated message to announce each Board meeting.

Frank brown thanked Mr. Sheek and stated he was glad the Board was finally meeting in schools as it was interesting to walk around the schools to see what students were doing. He also asked that administration provide a spreadsheet on every test we give our students in elementary school through high school that is mandated with a comparison of how we stack up with the surrounding counties. In addition, he asked that our dropout rate also be compared to surrounding counties. He stated this would give the Board a better picture to see if we are approaching being the best school system in the area.

Joe Dezern thanked Mr. Sheek and Forbush Elementary for their hospitality. He also stated that he agreed that it was a good idea to meet in schools to give everyone the opportunity to see the nice facilities and to see teachers at work and student on task. He also stated that since our last meeting we had lost two really good people who were excellent teachers; Susan Steelman and Helen Wishon. He stated he had the opportunity to be in Ms. Wishon's class at West Yadkin Elementary and all he could say were good things about her. He stated she was firm, fair and consistent and she expected you to do what was right. He also stated these were two great teachers that he feels set the tone for others. Frank Brown stated that Ms. Steelman taught for 40 years and that she had just as much enthusiasm on her last day as she did on her first. He stated both teachers were fine examples and that they will be missed.

Howard McKnight asked the Board if they agreed with starting the closed session meetings at 9:00am and state that the open session will immediately follow closed after a five minute break. The Board agreed with this change. He also thanked Forbush Elementary for hosting the meeting. He stated that it does seem we have had an excellent beginning and thinks that will continue throughout the year. He stated he appreciated the dedication that Dr. Hobbs and the Central Office have shown to begin the school year and looks forward to being in schools. He informed the Board that the next meeting would be at Forbush Middle School on October 1, 2012.

Dr. Hobbs shared with the Board a new booklet that had been sent to schools called “In the Know” that contains all the professional development we are offering for our teachers.

Frank Brown asked that we have a student from the school we are visiting to come to the meeting and speak about the school and things that are going on at the school. In addition they could speak on the things they like and the things they don’t like to do.

Dr. Hobbs informed the Board that every Tuesday morning at 7:45a.m. on 109.9 radio there is a segment regarding Yadkin County Schools. Beginning this year, we are letting the schools and their students and/or teachers do the segment. He encouraged the Board to listen to this broadcast.

#12-074 On motion by Allred, seconded by Brown, the Board adjourned at 10:30a.m.
Adjournment:

Yes: All members voted yes.

Dr. L. Stewart Hobbs, Jr. Secretary

Motion to approve September 10, 2012 open session minutes:

		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Motion by: _____	Allred	_____	_____
	Baity	_____	_____
	Brown	_____	_____
Second by: _____	Dezern	_____	_____
	Hampton	_____	_____
	Hemric	_____	_____
	McKnight	_____	_____