

Board of Education
Yadkin County Schools
Yadkinville, NC

A regular meeting of the Yadkin County Board of Education was held on Monday, May 4, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the board office.

Present: Chair Frank Brown, Rex Baity, Hazel Brown, Diane Hampton, Howard McKnight, Larry Vestal and Joe Dezern

Student Representatives: Wesley Norman

Absent: Mary Hopper

Administrative: Jim Benfield, Mark Rumley, Gary McDonald, Donald Hawks, Gale Hill, Sara McCall, Teresa Logan, Bonnie Cook, Karen Matthews, Cindy McMurray, Rick Swaim, Junior Luffman and Wayne Price

Staff Members: Kim Rose

Visitors: Leanne Cloudman – Yadkin Ripple, Linda Hicks, Julie Hicks, Adam Goodrich, Chesseth O’Connor, Athenis O’Connor, Theron O’Connor, Andy Santiago, Nikki Santiago, Doshia Keen, Heather Eldridge, Amber Hoots, Valerie Prim, Nathaniel Mosteller, Bailey Stinson, Nelson Cruz, Austin Doby, Brittany Myers, Hannah Marshall, Gray Phillips, Aiessa Call, Whitney Wagoner, Cassie DeWitt, Jennifer Jones, Stephen Jones, Julianna Prim, Deanna and Dale Hoots, Hunter Carter, Cheryl Stinson, Bryan Stinson, Evan Stinson, Joshua McNebb, Josh McDaniel, Ethan Johnson, Zachary Moser, Derek Jester, Rosie Real, Ruth Sanchez, Joe Creech, Tori Martin, Alan Brown, Chase Edwards, Dealing Hutchens, Tammy Marshall, Pam Hutchens, Trish Todd, Patrick Todd, Debbie Dale, Anna Sale, Lisa Cranford, Cathy Connick, Terri Cornelius, Patrick Cornelius, Jarrett Connick, Austin Connick, Frances Foster, Jim Makaravage, Michael Dixon, Matt Dixon, Jonathan Marion

#09-30
Closed Session: On motion by McKnight, seconded by Dezern, the Board entered closed session at 5:30 p.m.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#09-31
Re-enter Open Session: On motion by McKnight, seconded by H. Brown, the Board returned to open session.

Yes: All members voted yes.

Pledge of Allegiance: Wesley Norman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: Frank Brown had the invocation.

Address the Board: Chesseth O’Conner, Junior Class President from Forbush High school, addressed the board about the Senior Class project for the 2010 class. Due to changes in the rules and regulations, the Board decided that the 2010 class would not have to complete the senior class project. However, for the students that want to complete the project, there will be recognition at graduation and a recognition, including a certificate placed in the students’ records.

Presentations: Julianna Prim, a senior from Starmount High School, was recognized for the 100 yard Butterfly 2009 1A-2A State Championship in swimming.

Evan Stinson, a student at West Yadkin School, was recognized as receiving the 2008-2009 NAGC Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award for North Carolina.

#09-32
Approval of Minutes: On motion by H. Brown, seconded by McKnight, the Board approved the April 6, 2009 meeting minutes of the Board of Education.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#09-33
Consent Agenda: On motion by Hampton, seconded by Vestal, the Board approved the consent agenda items listed below:

- Personnel – New Employees
Boonville School

Remediation Tutors

Rachel Taylor
Tonya Wilkins
Dorothy Willingham
Jake Miller
Julia Welcome
Chris Jenkins
Robert Carr
Heather Harrell
Susan Porter
Ashley Miller

- **Forbush Elem. OOST**

Jessica Sapp – group leader Forbush Elementary School OOST

Quashima Shamar Koener – group leader Forbush Elementary School OOST

- MACTEC change order 03 – Starmount Middle School – Fire Suppression Water tank pad site
- MACTEC change order 02 – Forbush Middle School – Fire Suppression Water tank pad site
- MACTEC change order 03 – Forbush Middle School – Soil Testing – Ball fields and Parking Lots
- Bid from Ramey, Inc – New well building and installation – FMS

- Bid from Yadkin Well Company, Inc – Installation of new well pump - FMS

Yes: All members voted yes.

#09-34
Contracts: On motion by Baity, seconded by Dezern, the Board approved the list of contracts for administrators. The Board did not re-new the contracts of teachers that were presented as non-renewal. Due to the lack of information on the budget, the Professional, Tenure and Probationary Contracts will be considered at in the June Board of Education meeting.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#09-35
Opening of New Middle Schools: On motion by Hampton, seconded by Vestal, the Board approved the opening of Starmount Middle School at the beginning of the school 2009-10 school year. Due to the delay in the Forbush Middle School project, that school will be open at the beginning of the second grading period (November 3, 2009).

Yes: F. Brown, H. Brown, Dezern, Hampton, McKnight, Vestal
No: Baity

#09-36
Operating Budget & Capital Outlay Budget: On motion by Baity, seconded by McKnight, the Board approved the local operating budget and the Capital Outlay budget for 2009-2010.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#09-37
School Advisory Council Replacements: On motion by Vestal, seconded by Dezern, the Board approved the School Advisory Council Replacements for the 2009-2010 school year.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#09-38
Graduation Project: On motion by H. Brown, seconded by Hampton, the Board approved not to require a graduation project for the class of 2010 due to the one-year delay that the State Board of Education has given school systems to implement a graduation project in order to be in complete alignment with minimum standards. The Board stated any student that wishes to complete the 2010 graduation project be given recognition, including a certificate to be placed in their student records showing they completed the project.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#09-39
Integrated Math Curriculum Class at YSA: On motion by Baity, seconded by Vestal, the Board approved the Integrated Math Curriculum Class to be added at the Yadkin Early College.

Yes: All members voted yes.

Information Items:

1. Administration has received the following resignations:

Donnie Rose – Transportation Department – retiring effective May 1, 2009
Dennis Wood – Transportation Director – retiring effective July 1, 2009
Sandra Willard – Bus Driver at Fall Creek School – resigning
Scarlett Swaim – Bud Driver at Jonesville - resigning
Jennifer Hemric – Teacher at West Yadkin School – resigning effective June 13, 2009
Sandra Brown – Central Office/DPI – retiring effective July 1, 2009
Kim Bowers – Teacher at Forbush High School – resigning end of school year.
Presently on maternity leave.
Estibaliz Oyarzabal – Teacher at Starmount High School – resigning end of school year
Beth Carter – Guidance Secretary at Starmount High School – resigning effective April 17, 2009
Chad Mann – Teacher at Starmount High School – resigning end of school year
Tony George – Principal at Starmount High School – resigning end of school year

2. Administration has transferred the following employees:

No Transfers

3. Administration has granted the following leave of absences:

Amanda Draughn – Teacher at West Yadkin – FMLA

Amy Dewees – School Food Service at Forbush High School – Medical Leave

4. Donald Hawks reported on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. This was an asbestos audit that was conducted at Courtney School, Forbush Elementary School and Forbush High School.

5. The Board reviewed contracts and purchases since the last board meeting.

6. The Board reviewed student release information for students being released to other school systems.

7. Donald Hawks gave the Board a middle school update from each construction site.

8. The Board reviewed field trip information from schools.

9. The Board reviewed the May schedule of activities. The Board was reminded about the Teacher of the Year Banquet to be held on May 5 at 6:00 pm at the Village Inn Conference in Clemmons.

Superintendent's Comments:

Superintendent Benfield mentioned the following to the Board:

- The mediation session for Forbush Middle School is being held May 5 at 10:00 am in the Board office.
- District budget presentation to County Commissioner will be Wednesday, May 6 at 6:30 pm in the Commissioners board room.
- Informed the Board on the indoor air quality situation and the drinking water problem that had been at Courtney School. All situations have been addressed and corrected.

Chairperson's Comments:

Frank Brown mentioned the following to the Board:

- Would like to thank Dr. Benfield, Gale, Staff and Administration for using what resources we have to complete a budget and seeing that we have what we need in providing the best education for our students.

Board Member Comments:

- Wesley Norman - stated that Forbush High Schools academics were right on track and that the number of students taking AP classes was high.
- Rex Baity – mentioned having the July board meeting at the end of June as we have in the past to take care of year end budget issues and other board information. All members agreed and the meeting will be June 29.
- Diane Hampton – thought Ms. O'Connor did an outstanding job presenting her case on the graduation project. She was glad to hear about more AP classes at Forbush High School.
- Larry Vestal – stated he had attended both parent middle school meetings and thought Mrs. Mabe and Mr. Swaim did an excellent job speaking and answering questions from the parents. He complimented Dr. Benfield on his budget presentation to the County Commissioners.
- Hazel Brown – asked Donald Hawks if there is a possibility that people, students, and etc. could do some volunteer weekend or afterschool work that would help the progress of Forbush Middle School.
- Joe Dezern – stated he thought the meeting with the County Commissioner went well. He thought Dr. Benfield did an excellent job presenting the budget and thanked Wayne Price for the good hospitality.

- Howard McKnight – thanked Gale for all her hard work on the budget. He stated that he had attended the middle school sessions and thought all went well. He was at Forbush High School and was able to here the presentation from Lewis and Daggett on Safe and Sober Prom night.
- Rickey McCollum announced that Anthony Davis, Athletic Director at Forbush High School had passed and received his National Certification in Athletic Administration. Rickey stated that Scott Carter, Athletic Director at Starmount High School, was scheduled to take his exam in July. Rickey also wanted everyone to remember his dad and Thom Summy on their prayer list.
- With no further business, Chair Frank Brown asked for a motion to adjourn.

#09-40
Adjournment:

On motion by Baity, seconded by McKnight, the Board adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Yes:

All members voted yes.

Jim Benfield, Secretary

Approval of May 6, 2009 Board of Education Open Session Minutes:

		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Motion by: _____	Baity	_____	_____
	Brown, F.	_____	_____
Second by: _____	Brown, H.	_____	_____
	Dezern	_____	_____
	Hampton	_____	_____
	McKnight	_____	_____
	Vestal	_____	_____