

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

A regular meeting of the Yadkin County Board of Education was held on Monday, October 2, 2017 at 9:00a.m. at Starmount Middle School.

Present: Howard McKnight, Jennifer Hemric, Sharon Yale, Sam Crews, Rex Baity, Tim Weatherman

Absent: Lynn Allred

Administrative: Dr. Martin, Wayne Duggins, Denise Bullin, Chris Fowler, Kathy Hughes

Student Reps:

Staff Members: Tammy Miller

Visitors:

Starmount Middle: Dr. Cockrell stated to the Board of Education that he appreciated them coming to Starmount Middle School. He stated that Starmount Middle started a PTO this year and it is continuing to grow. He stated there of lots of good academic things going on and that the students were engaged. He stated there was a great group of professionals at Starmount Middle and they were off to a good start.

#17-092
Closed Session: On motion by Hemric, seconded by Weatherman, the Board entered closed session at 9:00a.m. for reasons 1-9.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#17-093
Recess Closed Session: On motion by Baity, seconded by Crews, the Board recessed closed session to return to open session at 9:10a.m.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#17-094
Approval of Agenda: On motion by Crews, seconded by Yale, the Board approved the October 2, 2017 Board of Education meeting agenda.

Yes: All members voted yes.

Pledge of Allegiance: Sharon Yale led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: Sam Crews gave the invocation.

Public Comments: None

#17-095 On motion by Weatherman, seconded by Hemric, the Board approved the
Approval of September 5, 2017 meeting minutes of the Board of Education.
Minutes:

Yes: All members voted yes.

#17-096 On a motion by Crews, seconded by Yale, the Board approved the consent
Consent Agenda: agenda items listed below.

- Personnel – New Employees

Boonville Elementary School

Candidate's Name – Shannon Sheek
Degree – Bachelors
Certification – Occupational Therapist
Assignment – Occupational Therapist
Experience – Pending
Salary – \$6,641/month
Salary Source – State Funds
New Position – N – replacing Jamie Fennell

Courtney Elementary School

Candidate's Name – Brianna Daye
Degree – Associates
Certification – N/A
Assignment – EC Personal Care Assistant
Experience – 0 years
Salary – \$1,959/month
Salary Source – State Funds
New Position – N – replacing Kristen Wagoner

Forbush High School

Candidate's Name – Ryan Symonds
Degree – N/A
Certification – N/A
Assignment – Custodian
Experience – TBD
Salary – \$2,019/month
Salary Source – State Funds
New Position – N – replacing Steve King

West Yadkin Elementary School

Candidate's Name – Sharon Brinegar
Degree – N/A
Certification – N/A
Assignment – EC Data Entry (Interim)
Experience – TBD
Salary – \$2,334/month
Salary Source – State Funds

New Position – Y

Candidate's Name – Jessica McDonald

Degree – Bachelors

Certification – Elementary Education

Assignment – 4th Grade Teacher

Experience – 4 years

Salary – \$3,730/month

Salary Source – State Funds

New Position – N – replacing Lydia Gregory

Coaches

Starmount Middle

Rayford Dobson - Baseball

Forbush High School

Tim Parks – Women's Basketball

Kenny Gooden – Women's Basketball

Sam Crews – Men's Basketball

Michael Southard – Men's Basketball

Ron Carlson – Wrestling

Jonathan Phillips – Wrestling

- Policy 7602 Employee Salary Supplements
- Fundraisers
- Field Trips

Starmount High School – February 1-3, 2018

Destination: Mars Hill, NC

Description of Trip: Choral Festival

Number of students: 8-10

Number of adults: 2

Transportation: Activity Bus

Cost per student: \$100.00 (fundraising will help offset this cost)

Starmount High School – March 21-24, 2018

Destination: Greensboro, NC

Description of Trip: HOSA State Leadership

Number of students: TBD

Number of adults: TBD

Transportation: Activity Bus

Cost per student: \$200.00 (fundraising will help offset this cost)

Forbush High School – March 21-24, 2018

Destination: Greensboro, NC

Description of Trip: HOSA State Leadership

Number of students: TBD
Number of adults: TBD
Transportation: Activity Bus
Cost per student: \$200.00 (fundraising will help offset this cost)

Forbush Elementary – April 9-11, 2018
Destination: Salter Path, NC
Description of Trip: Sound to Sea Science Camp-5th Grade
Number of students: 41
Number of adults: 24
Transportation: Charter Bus
Cost per student: \$250.00 (fundraising will help offset this cost)

Boonville Elementary – April 25-27, 2018
Destination: Reidsville, NC
Description of Trip: Betsy-Jeff Pen 4-H Camp
Number of students: 40
Number of adults: 4 teachers/staff and several parents
Transportation: Activity Bus
Cost per student: \$115.00 (fundraising will help offset this cost)

Yes: All members voted yes.

#17-097
2017-2018
Budget Proposal: On motion by Hemric, seconded by Baity, the Board approved the 2017-2018 Budget Proposal.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#17-098
Bus Driver
Pay Increase: On motion by Crews, seconded by Weatherman, the Board approved the bus driver pay increase as presented. The North Carolina General Assembly appropriated funds to address pay for school bus drivers in districts across the state.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#17-099
Saffelle Contract: On motion by Yale, seconded by Crews, the Board approved the Saffelle Contract as presented.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#17-100
2017-2018
Substitute List: On motion by Baity, seconded by Hemric, the Board approved the substitute list as presented.

Yes: All members voted yes.

Information Items:

1. Administration has received the following resignations:

Stuart Highsmith – Teacher at Forbush Middle School retiring effective October 1, 2017.

Tammie Phipps – Teacher at East Bend Elementary School resigning effective September 22, 2017.

2. The following employees have been transferred:

Ada Yvonne Johnson – Speech Language Pathologist at Courtney Elementary and West Yadkin Elementary to Speech Language Pathologist at Jonesville Elementary.

Tammy Long – Child Nutrition Assistant at Forbush High School to Child Nutrition Assistant at Forbush Middle School.

Sandra Long – Bus Driver at Forbush High School to Child Nutrition Assistant/Bus Driver at Forbush High School.

Tijuana Welborne – EC PreK Teacher Assistant at Yadkinville Elementary to PreK Teacher Assistant at Yadkinville Elementary.

3. The following employees have been granted a leave of absence:

Jennifer Reavis – Teacher at West Yadkin Elementary School - FMLA beginning August 23, 2017 and ending September 26, 2017.

Charity Hernandez – Child Nutrition at Starmount High School – Maternity Leave beginning August 14, 2017.

India Phillips – OOST Director at Courtney Elementary School – Maternity Leave beginning August 8, 2017.

Stuart Highsmith – Teacher at Forbush Middle School – FMLA beginning September 11, 2017 and ending October 20, 2017.

Elizabeth Steelman – Custodian/Child Nutrition at Forbush Elementary School – Medical Leave beginning September 5, 2017.

Robin Shore – Secretary/Bookkeeper at Yadkin Early College – Medical Leave beginning October 23, 2017.

4. Graham Lewis from Schneider Electric gave a presentation to the Board. This company evaluates utility bills, conducts walkthroughs and works with school districts to update systems (HVAC, water, etc.) and facilities. In basic terms, they create a plan for a school district that allows the district to borrow money to fund the replacement of old HVAC systems, inefficient windows, boilers and so on. The money that is saved in utility costs is then applied to paying back the loan. There is no risk because Schneider Electric and other companies that do this sort of thing guarantee a certain level of savings. If the district doesn't meet that level, the company is responsible for the shortfall. Yadkin County is working with Schneider Electric to replace some of their systems and controls and has invited us to partner with them on this project. There is no guarantee for Schneider Electric in this process as they would be expected to submit a proposal just as any other company would.
5. The Board reviewed Student Releases.
6. The Board reviewed Contracts/Purchases.

7. Denny Key gave an update to the Board regarding the gym at Courtney Elementary School. He stated the plans have been completed and that we will be able to maintain the character of the old gym. He stated he hopes to have the plans out for bid by the end of the month.
8. Denny Key discussed with the Board the proposed water line along Old Highway 421 that could be directed up Falcon Road to Forbush Middle and Forbush High to replace the wells that are currently being used. Dr. Martin stated that questionnaires had been sent out by the County to residents along this route.
9. Denny Key discussed with the Board the Tier I Grant that was being worked on to improve the school facilities. Dr. Martin stated he had completed the first part of the grant and that Denny was working on the costs.
10. Dr. Martin discussed with the Board the five year plan for the elimination of the mobile units at Yadkinville Elementary School. This plan was developed at the request of the Town of Yadkinville.
11. The Board reviewed the October schedule of activities.

Comments

Dr. Martin thanked Dr. Cockrell, Chris Petree and their staff for hosting the Board meeting. He stated it is always good to do a meeting in a school. He thanked Denise Bullin and all the Directors for the work done on the budget as no one has gone untouched and they work hard and do a good job. He stated he asked the Directors to face tough challenges and they have done so. He stated Denise has spent hours and hours and hours on this budget and that he, Wayne Duggins and Denise were meeting every single day and these meetings were not pleasant as there were no easy decisions. He also stated he would like to thank Denny Key for his hard work and all the projects he is working on to better our facilities.

Tim Weatherman stated he appreciated Starmount Middle School hosting the meeting and that he feels starting a PTO here is a great thing. He stated he feels it is important to get parents involved. He stated he appreciated Dr. Martin's presentation on the budget and thanked Denise for her hard work. He thanked Denny Key for his update on Courtney School and thanked him for working with Saffelle. He stated he hopes everyone has a great rest of the week.

Jennifer Hemric thanked Dr. Cockrell for his hospitality. She also thanked Dr. Martin, Denise Bullin and Denny Key for all their hard work on everything. She stated all these things are for our kids and she appreciated that.

Rex Baity thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. He also thanked everyone for all the hard work they do for our schools.

Sam Crews stated he also appreciated all the hard work that had been done regarding the budget. He stated it reminds him of what he does daily to make budgets work. He stated everyone was so proactive and all of the projects that were being worked on were great. Lastly, he stated he appreciated all the staff at Starmount Middle School and thanked Dr. Cockrell for hosting the meeting.

Sharon Yale stated she would like to echo what has been said and that it was exciting to see the high level of engagement at schools. She thanked Denny Key for his updated. She stated she was excited to work with Schneider Electric as we have to sometimes think outside the traditional box.

Howard McKnight thanked Dr. Cockrell and Starmount Middle School for hosting the meeting. He also stated a lot of hard work had gone into the budget and he certainly appreciated those who had worked on it. He stated he was looked forward to the all the projects acoming to fruition. He informed the Board that the next meeting was scheduled for October 30, 2017 and we would also be having our joint meeting with the commissioners. He stated the meeting would be held at the Central Office.

#17-101 On motion by Baity, seconded by Weatherman, the Board adjourned at
Adjournment: 10:35a.m.

Yes: All members voted yes.

Dr. Todd Martin, Secretary

Motion to approve October 2, 2017 open session minutes:

		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Motion by: _____	Allred	_____	_____
	Baity	_____	_____
	Crews	_____	_____
Second by: _____	Yale	_____	_____
	Hemric	_____	_____
	McKnight	_____	_____
	Weatherman	_____	_____