

Board of Education
Yadkin County Schools
Yadkinville, NC

A regular meeting of the Yadkin County Board of Education was held on Monday, February 2, 2009 at 1:00 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, Mary Hopper
- Administrative: Jim Benfield, Gary McDonald, Mark Rumley, Donald Hawks, Gale Hill, Bonnie Cook, Sara McCall, Rickey McCollum, Kathy Hughes, Cindy McMurray, Wayne Price, Rick Swaim and Kelly Mabe
- Staff Members: Kim Rose
- Visitors: Leanne Cloudman – Yadkin Ripple, Neil Saunders on behalf of Forbush High student athletes and parents, Judy Hardy, Jim Hardy, Debbie Fulp, Teresa Butner, Gina Brown, Beth Doub, Camy Warfel, Barry and Penny Hennings, Leah Williams, Natalie Kennedy and Tracy Matthews
- #09-07
Closed Session: On motion by McKnight, seconded by Dezern, the Board entered closed session at 5:30 p.m.
- Yes: All members present voted yes.
- #09-08
Re-enter Open Session: On motion by Baity, seconded by McKnight, the Board returned to open session.
- Yes: All members voted yes.
- Pledge of Allegiance: Diane Hampton, School Board Member led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Invocation: Frank Brown had the invocation.
- #09-09
Approval of Minutes: On motion by H. Brown, seconded by Hampton, the Board approved the January 5, 2009 meeting minutes of the Board of Education.
- Yes: All members voted yes.
- #09-10
Consent Agenda: On motion by Baity, seconded by McKnight, the Board approved the consent agenda items listed below:
- Personnel: New Employees

East Bend School

Candidates's Name – Aurelia Diaz
College/Degree – Bachelor's Degree
Certification – NA
Assignment – Interim ½ time Teacher Assistant
Experience – 0
Salary – \$956.50 per month
Salary Source – State – 1.5110.027.142.312
New Position – N – Replacing Tammy Temple

Candidates's Name – Jamie Elmore
College/Degree –
Certification –
Assignment – Remediation Teacher Assistant
Experience – 0
Salary – \$9.00/per hour
Salary Source – Remediation Funds
New Position – Yes

Fall Creek School

Candidates's Name – Mayghan Watson
College/Degree – Associates Degree
Certification –
Assignment – ½ time Media Assistant
Experience – 0
Salary – \$956.50 per month
Salary Source – Local
New Position – N – replacing Brian Chilton

West Yadkin School

Candidates's Name – Teresa Tomlin
College/Degree – A.A.
Certification – NA
Assignment – Teacher Assistant
Experience – Pending
Salary – \$1913.00 per month
Salary Source – State Funds – 1.5110.027.142.328
New Position – N – replacing Frieda Talley

Candidates's Name – Tracy Anglin-Weaver
College/Degree – NA
Certification – NA
Assignment – Temporary/No Benefits Teacher Assistant
Experience – 0
Salary – \$1913.00 per month
Salary Source – Federal Title I
New Position – N – replacing Teresa Melton

Remediation Tutors:

Jenny Ross – East Bend School
Monna Hudspeth – East Bend School
Ann Key – Fall Creek School
Myra Vestal – Fall Creek School
Scarlett West – Fall Creek School
Ruth Shermer – Yadkinville School
Sue Redden – Jonesville School
Anne Chappell – Jonesville School
Clara Coffey – Jonesville School
Sarah Ray – Jonesville School
Theresa Martin – Courtney School
Doug Chappell – West Yadkin
Craig Brooks – West Yadkin
Mary Lou Smith – West Yadkin
Joann Walker – West Yadkin
Phyllis Foster – West Yadkin
Rick Page – West Yadkin

Substitutes Teachers:

Kala Allen
John Ravestein

- Budget Amendments # 12 - 25

Yes: All members voted yes.

#09-11
2009-2010
School Calendar: On motion by Dezern, seconded by Vestal, the Board approved the 2009-2010 school calendar.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#09-12
Middle School
Bids Furniture and
Telephones: On motion by Dezern, seconded by McKnight, the Board approved the middle school bids for furniture and the telephone system not to exceed the prices listed. If prices turn out to be more than the listed prices, the Board requested the information be brought back to them for further review.

Yes: All members voted yes.

Information Items:

1. Administration has received the following resignations:
Jackie Tahtinen – Teacher Assistant at Boonville School – resigning
Catana Farmer – Teacher at Yadkinville School – resigning
Maree McKenzie – Technology Facilitator at Starmount High School – resigning
Kim Henderson – Teacher Assistant at Yadkinville School – retiring
Joe Hutchens – Teacher at Starmount High School – retiring
Rebecca Winans – Assistant Director at OOST Yadkinville School – resigning

Sarah Watts – OOST at Forbush Elem. – resigning
Heather Haley Tate – OOST at Forbush Elem. – resigning
Beverly Hill – OOST at Yadkinville School – resigning
Kathleen Reavis – OOST at Forbush Elem. - resigning

2. Administration has transferred the following employees:

No transfers.
3. Administration has granted the following leave of absences:

Teresa Melton – Teacher Assistant at West Yadkin School – Educational Leave
4. The Board reviewed student release information for students being released to other school systems.
5. The Board reviewed information on the K-8 parent/teacher conferences that was held in our schools.
6. The Board reviewed several fundraiser requests for the second semester of school.
7. Donald Hawks, Maintenance Director gave the Board a maintenance update which consist of the following:
 1. Starmount Middle School refund from Surry Yadkin Electric Membership Corporation on moving power poles. Total refund was for \$46,903.03.
 2. Center for Developmental Resources (YVEDDI) has moved from the main part of the building. The head start classroom is being used until a new location has been approved by the state.
 3. New Horizon has purchased the old Flowerland Florist Building on old hwy 421 west. They are renovating the building now.
8. Superintendent Benfield and Maintenance Director Donald Hawks gave the board an update on the new middle schools.
9. The Board reviewed a list of the contracts and purchases since the last board meeting.
10. The Board reviewed field trip information from our schools.
11. The Board was given information on No Parent Left Behind. This is information for parents and students about changing requirements for high school, senior projects and how to get free college courses in high school. There will be rotating mini sessions on February 24, 2009 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm at the Surry/Yadkin Campus.

12. The Board reviewed the North Carolina Graduation Project booklet. The graduation booklet will help provide students the opportunity to demonstrate their ability to write, to process information from diverse sources, and to orally present and defend their research. The graduation project is a state board policy.
13. The Board reviewed the Career Technology Education fall semester testing scores for our high schools.
14. The Board reviewed the February schedule of activities.

Superintendent's Comments:

Superintendent Benfield mentioned the following to the Board:

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Chairperson's Comments:

Frank Brown mentioned the following to the Board:

- Stated the Board needed to set a time for the March Board meeting. It was discussed and decided to meet at 8:00 a.m. for closed session and 9:00 a.m. for open session with lunch and visiting at Yadkinville School. Mr. Brown stated the school system has made a lot of progress and he wants to continue to make Yadkin County Schools the best school system.

Student Representative Comments:

Wesley Norman stated that he had been accepted at UNC-Chapel Hill in the BioMed engineering program.

Mary Hopper stated that she had been accepted at NCSU in the engineering program.

Board Member Comments:

Rex Baity – thanked everyone that came out to the meeting tonight. Mr. Baity mentioned the parent/teacher conference report given to the Board. He stated that anything below 75% participation was unacceptable and the schools needed to work together to improve participation. Mentioned about what to do with the CDR building and stated he thought the joint meeting went well today.

Diane Hampton – stated that she would like to see math coaches in our schools like the literacy coaches to help make our students ready for high school.

Larry Vestal – stated that he was excited about the opening of our new middle schools and really believes with the additional opportunities and nice facilities that these can really make a difference for Yadkin County.

Howard McKnight – Thanked everyone for being at the meeting. Stated he was privileged to help with testing at Forbush High School and helping out gives you a clear prospective of what's going on in our schools. Encouraged other Board members to go and help in our schools when they can.

Joe Dezern – Appreciated Mark Rumley and Chris Fowler getting the testing data together. Mr. Dezern shared that he had attended the School Board Member 101 seminar on January 22 and 23 in Raleigh. Found it to be very interesting and beneficial for Board of Education members.

Hazel Brown – stated she agreed with the other Board member comments. Ms. Brown stated she was concerned with the EOC testing data and that Yadkin County Schools was fairly even or below other counties.

- With no further business, Chair Frank Brown asked for a motion to adjourn and the Board would answer questions from parents that were at the meeting that had concerns about the new middle schools.

#09-13
Adjournment:

On motion by Baity, seconded by Dezern, the Board adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Yes:

All members voted yes.

Jim Benfield, Secretary

Approval of February 2, 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	_____	_____