

Board of Education
Yadkin County Schools
Yadkinville, NC

A regular meeting of the Yadkin County Board of Education was held on Monday, October 6, 2008 at 9:00 a.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 and Mary Hopper

Administrative Jim Benfield, Mark Rumley, Donald Hawks, Gale Hill, Bonnie Cook, Sara McCall, Chris Fowler, Teresa Logan, Cindy McMurray, Rickey McCollum, Kathy Hughes, Annette Johnson, James Bumgarner and Chris Sardler

Staff Members: Kim Rose

Visitors: Ashley Childress, Steve Steiner

#08-129
Closed Session: On motion by McKnight, seconded by Hampton, the Board entered closed session at 8:04 a.m.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#08-130
Re-enter Open
Session: On motion by Baity, seconded by Hampton, the Board returned to open session after a 5 minute break.

Yes: All members voted yes.

Pledge of
Allegiance: Ashley Childress, a student at Forbush High School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation: Chair Frank Brown gave the invocation.

#08-131
Approval of
Minutes: On motion by Hampton, seconded by H. Brown, the Board approved the September 8, 2008 meeting minutes of the Board of Education.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#08-132
Approval of Joint
Meeting Minutes
Board of Commissioner
& Board of Education: On motion by H. Brown, seconded by Vestal, the Board approved the September 29, 2008 joint meeting minutes of the Board of Education and the County Commissioners.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#08-133
Consent
Agenda: After pulling the change orders for Forbush Middle School and the land purchase near the Forbush Middle School site from the consent agenda, on motion by H. Brown, seconded by McKnight, the Board approved the consent agenda items listed below:

Personnel: New Employees
Approval of Substitute Teachers

Yes: All members voted yes.

New Employees recommended for employment.

Boonville School

Candidate's Name - Thomas (Bill) Drumwright III
College/Degree – Mars Hill College – 2 years and Elon College – 2 years
Certification – 0
Assignment – ½ time Exceptional Children's Teacher Assistant and part-time bus driver at Forbush Elementary School
Experience – 0
Salary – ½ time EC Teacher Assistant – \$1032.00/month
Part-time Bus Driver – \$11.64/per hour
Salary Source – State EC Funds and State Transportation Funds
New Position - ½ time EC Teacher Assistant – Yes
Part-time Bus Driver – No

Forbush Elementary School

Candidate's Name – Amy Childress
College/Degree – N/A High School only
Certification – N/A
Assignment – Child Nutrition
Experience – 0
Salary – \$10.59/per hour
Salary Source – Child Nutrition Funds
New Position – No
Replacing Teresa Davis

Jonesville School

Candidate's Name – Charity Hernandez
College/Degree – 0
Certification – 0
Assignment – Cafeteria Assistant
Experience – 0
Salary – \$10.59/per hour
Salary Source – Child Nutrition Funds
New Position - Yes

West Yadkin School

Candidate's Name – Heather Thomasson
College/Degree – Charleston Southern University/ 4 year BA Degree
Certification – K-6
Assignment – 3rd Grade Teacher
Experience – pending
Salary – \$3043.00
Salary Source – State
New Position - Yes

Yadkinville School

Candidate's Name – Susan Stone
College/Degree – 0
Certification – 0
Assignment – Cafeteria Assistant
Experience – 0
Salary – 10.59/per hour
Salary Source – Child Nutrition Funds
New Position - Yes

Candidate's Name – Melissa Bujan
College/Degree – Lees McRae College/BA Degree
Certification – PK or K
Assignment – Cross Categorical EC Pre-School Teacher
Experience – pending
Salary – \$3043.00
Salary Source – EC State Funds
New Position - No

#08-134
Budget
Resolution: On motion by McKnight, seconded by Vestal, the Board approved the 2008-2009 budget resolution as presented by Gale Hill, Finance Officer.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#08-135
Land Purchase: On motion by Baity, seconded by Hampton, the Board approved to purchase land for the Forbush High School Shooting Range upon Yadkin County Commissioners approval of the land purchase.

Yes: All members voted yes.

#08-136
Requesting Approval
From Yadkin County
Commissioners for
Land Purchase – FHS
Shooting Range: On motion by Baity, seconded by H. Brown, the Board approved the motion for the Board of Education to request approval from the Yadkin County Commissioners to purchase land for the Forbush High School Shooting Range.

Yes: All members voted yes.

Information Items:

1. Administration has received the following resignations:

JoAnne Anderson – EC Teacher Assistant at Boonville School - retiring
Edward Venable - Teacher at Fall Creek School - resigning and will be holding for 30 days making last day October 10
Kathy Hollar - Teacher at Boonville School – retiring effective January 1, 2009
2. Administration has transferred the following employees:

Shannon Caudle from Cafeteria Assistant at Yadkinville School to Assistant Manager at Yadkinville School
3. Administration has granted the following leave of absences:

Heather Wiles Pre-School Teacher Assistant at East Bend School – Maternity Leave
Larissa Brown – Teacher at Boonville School – Maternity Leave
Blair Carter – Teacher at Fall Creek School – Maternity Leave
4. The Board reviewed student transfers, field trips, contracts/purchases since the last Board meeting.
5. Superintendent Benfield and Maintenance Director Donald Hawks gave the board members a middle school update.
6. The Technology Plan for Yadkin County Schools for 2008-2013 was reviewed in the October agenda and approval in November.
9. It was discussed at the August 4, 2008 Board of Education meeting about scheduling Board of Education meetings during the day every other month. The Board decided that the November meeting will be a night meeting with closed session beginning at 5:30 p.m. and open session at 6:30 p.m.
10. The Board reviewed the October schedule of activities.

Superintendent's Comments:

- Dr. Benfield stated the Board will be visiting Starmount High School and eating lunch with the County Commissioners at 12:00 noon. After lunch both boards will visit the Starmount Middle School site.

Chairperson's Comments:

Frank Brown mentioned the following to the Board:

- Thanked Howard McKnight for presiding over the joint meeting with the County Commissioners in his absence and appreciated everything that everybody did.

Student Representative Comments:

Mary Hopper stated that everything was going good at Starmount.

Wesley Norman stated that everything was going good at Forbush.

Board Member Comments:

Rex Baity – asked if we had followed up with suggestions from Tommy Garner at the joint meeting. Mr. Baity stated he like the ideas of a dress code. He also asked about changes being made to the district lines for the new middle schools.

Diane Hampton – stated she was pleased with everything going, but would like to see school lunches improve. She stated the students need a good variety of foods.

Larry Vestal – committed on the issue discussed at the joint meeting with county commissioners on contracting services for the new middle schools. He explained concern that contracting out custodial/maintenance services is not always as good as it seems. He suggested that we be careful with this nut do a better job explaining how we calculate cost.

Howard McKnight – stated he had the opportunity to attend the North Carolina High School Athletic Association district meeting in September and enjoyed the presentation.

Joe Dezern – thought that custodial staff at schools was very important. He stated he was looking forward to the Starmount Middle School site visit today.

Hazel Brown – expressed to the Board how extremely difficult it was for her to be at the meeting this morning and her week will be twice as hard because of it. She asked that the Board please keep that in mind.

- With no further business, Chair Frank Brown asked for a motion to adjourn.

#08-137
Adjournment:

On motion by Baity, seconded by Vestal, the Board adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Yes:

All members voted yes.

Jim Benfield, Secretary

Approval of October 6, 2008 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	_____	_____