

MINUTES OF MEETING  
COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
November 4, 2019

The Columbus County Board of Education met on this date in regular session at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room at the Columbus County Board of Education. The following persons were present:

Monte Herring, Chairman  
Worley Edwards, Vice-Chairman  
Randy Coleman  
Junior Dew  
Ronnie Strickland

Deanne Meadows, Superintendent  
Jonathan Williams, Assistant Superintendent  
Bill Phipps, Board Attorney  
Bonita Pridgen, Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Herring.

By motion of Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Coleman, the minutes of the October 7, 2019, meeting were approved.

By motion of Mr. Strickland, seconded by Mr. Dew, the final agenda for November 4, 2019, was approved.

Ms. Diane Mathews (The News Reporter, Inc.), the University of North Carolina at Pembroke students, Ms. Ansley Blake and Mr. Brandon Hardie, Delta Sigma member Ms. Evelyn Brisbon, Ms. Peggy Gerald, and other community members were present as guests.  
The floor was opened for public comments.

By motion of Mr. Coleman, seconded by Mr. Dew, the Board approved the revised North Carolina School Board Associations policies due to technical changes: Policy 3102: Online Instruction, Policy 3225/4312/7320: Technology Responsible Use, Policy 4240/7312: Child Abuse – Reports and Investigations, Policy 4270/6145: Concussion and Head Injury, Policy 6120: Student Health Services, Policy 6140: Student Wellness, Policy 6220: Operation of School Nutrition Services, Policy 6230: School Meal and Competitive Foods Standards, Policy 6315: Drivers, Policy 7430: Substitute Teachers, Policy 7820: Personnel, Policy 8340: Insurance, and Policy 8350: Fixed Assets Inventory. See attachment No. 4027.

By motion of Mr. Coleman, seconded by Mr. Strickland, the school trip request from the Cerro Gordo Elementary School Jr. Beta Club to travel to Charleston, South Carolina April 23-24, 2020, was approved. No action was taken on the request from the West Columbus High School Cheerleaders to travel to UCA National High School Cheerleading Championships in Orlando, Florida February 6-11, 2020. Dr. Meadows was asked to review our current school trip policy and regulation regarding high risk activities and the trip will be reconsidered at the December 2, 2019, meeting.

The following items were presented as information:

- Dr. Williams provided the board an update from the surplus sale at Cerro Gordo Elementary School (October 19, 2019, at 12 noon) and Tabor City Elementary School (October 26, 2019, at 12 noon).
- School Improvement Plans, 2019-2020 SY were shared as follows: Acme Delco Elementary School – Mr. Jamie Faulk, Principal, Chadbourn Elementary School – Ms. Deanna Shuman, Principal, Evergreen Elementary School – Ms. Georgia Spaulding, Principal, Tabor City Elementary School – Mrs. Theresa Brown, Principal, and Tabor City Middle School – Ms. Kelly Bullard, Principal.
- The Board was asked to review the ACT® College Readiness Letter for Columbus County School District.

--The invitation to attend the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual *Take a Veteran to School Day* to be held on November 5, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. at South Columbus High School was shared.

--Board was asked to review dates to remember.

--Dr. Meadows provided an update on the technology breach.

--Notification of leave requests was shared.

--Mr. Phipps shared the thirty (30) day Due Diligence Access Agreement with Davis Academy.

By motion of Mr. Coleman, seconded by Mr. Strickland, the Board went into closed session to discuss information that is privileged, confidential, and not a public record under GS 143-318.11 (a) (1).

By motion of Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Coleman, the Board returned to open session.

By motion of Mr. Strickland, seconded by Mr. Coleman, personnel actions, as amended, were approved, as recommended by Dr. Meadows. See attachment No. 4028.

In other business, the following items were discussed and action, when necessary, taken:

The Board will meet in regular session on December 2, 2019, at the Columbus County Board of Education in the conference room at 5:30 p.m.

By motion of Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Strickland, the meeting was adjourned.

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Chairman

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Superintendent/Secretary