

# **HICKORY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

## **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HICKORY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Monday, July 8, 2013

The Board of Education of the Hickory City Administrative School Unit met on Monday, July 8, 2013, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administrative Services Building. Members present included: Chairperson Angela Beaver Simmons; Vice Chair Reginald Hamilton; Board members Charlotte Williams, Sallie Johnson, Margaret Pope, and Amy Monroe. Absent was Board member Rev. T. Anthony Spearman.

Also present were Board Attorney Jeff Mackie; Dr. Walter Hart, Superintendent; Dr. Denise Patterson, Chief Academic Officer; Shawn Clemons, Director of Accountability; Adam Huckabee, Director of Facilities; Amanda Byrd, Director of Exceptional Children's Programs; Caroline Lovette, Hickory High Assistant Principal and Athletic Director; and Mary Duquette, Clerk to the Board.

Chairperson Beaver Simmons called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

The first item of business to come before the meeting was a field trip request from the Hickory High Men's Basketball Team to attend the East Coast Invitational Tournament in Jacksonville, North Carolina. Athletic Director Caroline Lovette stated that it would be a tremendous opportunity for the team to attend this tournament due to it being the only summer camp for boys' basketball that college coaches can attend to recruit. Ten students will be participating at a cost of \$60 per student and funds are available for any student who may not be able to afford the cost. Ms. Lovette stated that, due to the small number of participants, private vehicles will be used to help defray the costs associated with using an activity bus.

Chairperson Beaver Simmons thanked Ms. Lovette for being in attendance to clarify some of the Board's concerns associated with this field trip request.

Upon motion made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Hamilton, the Board voted 6-0 to approve the field trip request as presented.

Mr. Adam Huckabee, Director of Facilities, requested that the Board award the project of replacing the chiller at Southwest Elementary School to Wm. C. Reynolds Company, Inc. as the low bid.

Upon motion made by Ms. Williams and seconded by Ms. Pope, the Board voted 6-0 to award the project of replacing the chiller at Southwest Elementary School to Wm. C. Reynolds Company, Inc. as the low bid.

The next item of business to come before the meeting was a request to increase the range of the fee that could be charged for school pictures at Viewmont Elementary School. The current range is \$10 to \$35. The principal requested that the range be increased to \$10 to \$40.

Upon motion made by Ms. Pope and seconded by Ms. Monroe, the Board voted 6-0 to approve the increase in the range of the fee that could be charged for school pictures at Viewmont Elementary School as presented.

Mr. Hamilton made a motion that the Board of Education go into closed session for the following reason: to consider candidates recommended for employment by the administration as provided for in G.S. 143.318.11 and in accordance with the North Carolina Personnel Act. The motion was seconded by Ms. Monroe and the Board's vote was 6-0.

Upon return to open session, Mr. Hamilton made a motion that the Board approve Personnel List No. 1. The motion was seconded by Ms. Johnson and the Board's vote was 6-0.

Mr. Hamilton made a motion that the Board of Education return to closed session for the following reason: to consider candidates recommended for employment by the administration as provided for in G.S. 143.318.11 and in accordance with the North Carolina Personnel Act. The motion was seconded by Ms. Monroe and the Board's vote was 6-0.

Upon return to opens session, there being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion made by Ms. Pope and seconded by Ms. Williams, the Board voted 6-0 to adjourn.



Angela Beaver Simmons, Chair



Reginald Hamilton, Vice Chair



Sallie Johnson

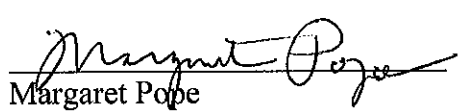
T. Anthony Spearman (absent)



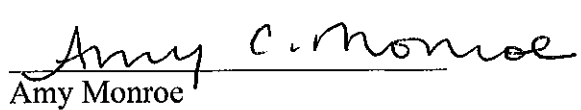
Walter H. Hart, Secretary



Charlotte Williams



Margaret Pope



Amy Monroe