Communiqué

A brief summary of the April 23, 2018, 7:00pm Douglas County Board of Education meeting follows. Meeting agendas for each board meeting and work session are posted online. For an agenda from the April 23 meeting, please click here. To see supporting documents, click on agenda items.

Board Recognition

The following staff members, students, and business partners were recognized:

- Melody Chambers and Advanced Art Students from Chapel Hill Middle School
- Albert Lindsey, 6A Region 5 Athletic Director of the Year
- Douglas County Middle School Basketball Champions
 - Factory Shoals Middle School 7th Grade Girls
 - Aleesha Atwater, Kayla Atwater, Jayla Battle, Mya Harris, Destiny Heard, Mylah Knight, Mallory Martin, Natalie Martin, Raina Massey, Cameryn Morris, Nequai Powell, Berronica Williams, Head Coach Horace Ace Head
 - Factory Shoals Middle School 8th Grade Girls
 - India Johnson (All Conference Nominee), Nacari Williams, Bella Dobbs, Chelsey Thomas, Taylor Caldwell (All Conference Nominee), Amani Wilson (All Conference Nominee), Kamryn Bates (DCSS Girls MVP), Morgan Gooden, Saniyah Williams, Sania Coles, Amiracle Davis, Head Coach Reginald Pearson, Assistant Coach Carl Moore
 - Chapel Hill Middle School 7th Grade Boys
 - Chase James, Khirus Doucet, Kory Young, Rodrick Payne, Aaron Redmond, Jaylen Bryan, Debron Gatling, Jakari Williams, Egan Fitts, Kelvin Hunter, Jalen Hilliard, Andrew Dorsey, Jatavius Shivers, Manager Ky'Den Mays, Head Coach Jared Laymon, Athletic Director Jamar Graham
 - Chestnut Log Middle School 8th Grade Boys
 - Micah Neely, Johnathan Norwood, Justin Hood (All Conference), Christian Bishop (All Conference), Amarion Shannon, Elijah Redmond (All Conference), Kavion Davis, Joshua Fulmore, Cornelius Willis, Ollie Payne, Josiah Bivens, Head Coach Larry Philpot, Assistant Coaches Andrew Gordon and Allen Ward, Athletic Director Keith Racine
- State Superintendent's Student Advisory Council

The following students were recognized for being selected and serving on the State School Superintendent's Student Advisory Council for 2017-2018:

- Kalaezia Collins, Chapel Hill Middle School
- Ella Buscema, Factory Shoals Middle School
- Chandler Pollard, Mason Creek Middle School
- Tori Kirkland, New Manchester High School

Wyatt Griffin, Chapel Hill High School

Google

Superintendent North thanked Google representatives Russell Bonds and Kristie Howard for Google's generosity and partnership with the school system and the Douglas County Education Foundation (formerly Public Education Trust). Last month, Google gave the Foundation \$95,135, the largest single grant received by the Foundation it its 25 year history, and last week awarded a grant of \$23,672 to the Foundation for the school system to use for students with speech language impairments. The school system will become a G-Suite district in the 2018-2019 school year. At the elementary and middle school level, Chromebooks will be introduced as new student devices, and students in grades K-12 will utilize G-Suite as their primary productivity tool.

Michelle Simmons

Board Chair Tracy Rookard recognized Vice Chair Michelle Simmons for being awarded the opportunity to participate in a curriculum and development project for American educators in Ghana this summer. The program is funded by the U.S. Department of Education through the Fulbright-Hayes Group Projects Abroad.

New Business

Board approved the Budget Work Session to be held on May 7, 2018, 5pm.

Consent Agenda

Board approved:

- Purchase of Glencoe pre-calculus instructional resources from McGraw Hill Education for high schools
- Surplus of 15 regular size buses

Certified and classified personnel were approved including the following appointments effective July 1, 2018:

Principals

- Dr.Tiffany Boyle, Mason Creek Middle School
- Nicole Watson, Chapel Hill High School
- Albert Lindsey, Lithia Springs High School

Assistant Principals

- Chris Atkinson, Chapel Hill Elementary
- Lisa Broadhead, Eastside Elementary
- Sheila Watts, Factory Shoals Elementary
- Michael Moffett, New Manchester High School
- Dr. Hope Wilkins, Stewart Middle School

The following resignations were accepted:

- Robyn Scott, Principal at Stewart Middle School, effective June 25, 2018
- Dr. Lee Collins, Assistant Principal at Lithia Springs High School, effective May 11, 2018

Action Agenda

Board approved:

- Surplus of three modular classrooms, books, microscopes, furniture, electronics, and various other items that are obsolete and/or broken
- Purchase and installation of a replacement walk-in freezer/cooler at Lithia Springs High School

Information Only

GA Department of Education provided guidance for partial credits when enrolling homeless students – JBC(1)-R Homeless Students.

Summer camps and overnight and out-of-state field trips were presented for review.

Present were Board Members Tracy Rookard, District III, Chair; Michelle Simmons, District IV, Vice Chair; Devetrion Caldwell, District I; D.T. Jackson, District II; and Jeff Morris, District V. Also present were Superintendent Trent North; Chief Academic Officer Pam Nail; Assistant Superintendent of District Operations Kwame Carr; Chief Financial Officer Greg Denney; Assistant Superintendent of Personnel and Policy Dr. Michelle Ruble; Assistant Superintendent of Student Services Renee Davis; Director of Community Relations Karen Stroud; Director of Public Information Portia Lake; Communications Director Nell Boggs; and Secretary to the Superintendent Melanie Nicholson.

Upcoming Meetings of the Douglas County Board of Education

Monday, May 7, 2018, 5:00pm Budget Work Session Monday, May 7, 2018, 6:00pm BOE Work Session Monday, May 21, 2018, 7:00pm BOE Meeting