

Regular Session
October 16, 2006

The Randolph County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, October 16, 2006, at 6 p.m. at the Jaycee Building.

Call to Order

Chairman LaVerne Williams called the meeting to order. Board members in attendance were as follows: P. Guthrie, G. Cook, T. McDonald, G. Lawson, J. Johnson, and B. Coltrane.

Moment of Silence

The Board observed a Moment of Silence before beginning the meeting.

Presentation of Colors and Pledge of Allegiance

The following students led in the Pledge of Allegiance: Madison Burton, Franklinville School and Kristen Kindley, Brooke Mauldin, Shaed Parker, Mvary Vecellio, and Alex McGavic, Trinity Elementary School.

Recognition of Guests

Chairperson Williams recognized principal representatives Aaron Woody, Susan Huneycutt, and Jeff Uhlenberg; assistant principal representatives Tammie Abernethy and Lisa Thompson; guests; and members of the press.

Student Reading

Kaitlyn Green, a student at John Lawrence Elementary School, read a creative writing about her responsibilities as an upperclassman at the school.

Announcements

Superintendent Andrews made the following announcements:

1. NCSBA Conference, November 13-15, Koury Convention Center
4. Advisory Council Dinner, Thursday, November 16, SWRMS, 6:00 p.m. (Dinner 7:30 p.m.)

Minutes

P. Guthrie made a motion seconded by G. Lawson that minutes of meeting held on September 18, 2006, be approved as presented. The motion carried: 7-0.

Public Comments

There were no requests for public comments.

Board Spotlight

Kendall Howard, a first grader at Hopewell Elementary School, was recognized for collecting 160 books and videos for distribution to students who may not have summer reading materials at home.

Marty Trotter, Director of Construction and Facilities, recognized Jody Hamlet. Jody conducts training for and supervises the custodial staffs at each school.

Assistant Superintendent Pat Foust recognized Southmont Principal Lynette Graves as the Wachovia Principal of the Year for 2006-2007.

Mrs. Foust also recognized Carol VonCannon, Director of Exceptional Children, who received an award as the District Exceptional Children Director of the Year.

Jody Moffitt, from the Kid's Voting Program, and Ann Moffitt, from Voter Registration, awarded incentives to student councils from Southwestern Randolph High School, Grays Chapel Elementary School, Trindale Elementary School, and Seagrove Elementary School in recognition of their participation in the Kid's Voting Program. They also presented Kid's Voting Educator of the Year Award to Lead Teacher Kelli Harrell.

Adoption of Agenda

T. McDonald made a motion seconded by G. Cook that the Board adopt the agenda as presented with the addition of testing information for Vicki Moss. The motion carried: 7-0.

Consent Items

G. Lawson made a motion seconded by B. Coltrane that the Board approve consent items as presented:

1. Assignments and Releases – 2 releases, 27 assignments, and 1 denial(s) for student assignments for 2006-2007 school year.
2. Approval of Budget Calendar.
3. Resolution of Notice of Dismissal – Vision Care Program. The Resolution as approved is as follows:

**RESOLUTION OF NOTICE OF DISMISSAL
VISION CARE PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the 2005 Appropriations Act of the General Assembly included legislation requiring that every child in the state obtain a comprehensive eye examination conducted by a North Carolina licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist within six months prior to the first day of the school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education joined the North Carolina School Boards Association and local school boards across North Carolina to challenge the constitutionality of this legislation in litigation captioned, *North Carolina School Boards Association, et al, v. State of North Carolina, et al.*, 06 CVS 002544; and

WHEREAS, in July 2006 the General Assembly enacted and the Governor approved H.B. 2699, "An Act to Make Changes to the Vision Care Program;" and

WHEREAS, H. B. 2699 removes the requirement that every incoming kindergarten child obtain a comprehensive eye exam and limits the requirement to children who receive and fail to pass a prescribed eye screening; and

WHEREAS, H.B. 2699 provides that "no child shall be excluded from attending school for a parent's failure to obtain a comprehensive eye examination" required under state law; and

WHEREAS, H.B. 2699 provides that any required comprehensive eye examination be conducted by a duly licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist, but does not limit the providers to professionals licensed in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, due to the changes in the Vision Care Program resulting from enactment of H.B. 2600, the constitutional issues raised in *North Carolina School Boards Association, et al. v. State of North Carolina, et al.* have been resolved.

WHEREAS, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Randolph County Board of Education hereby agrees to join in filing a Notice of Dismissal of North Carolina School Boards Association, et al. v. State of North Carolina, et al., 06 CVS 002544.

Adopted this 16th day of October, 2006.

Superintendent

Chairperson

The motion carried: 7-0.

Offer to Purchase and Contract for Property

P. Guthrie made a motion seconded by B. Coltrane that the Board approve an Option to Purchase Contract with Cranford A. Jones, Clark M. Pierce, and Nancy J. Keeter, Trustees, for a 125 acre tract located at 4118 Finch Farm Road, Trinity, North Carolina, with a \$1,000 deposit.

NCSBA Voting Delegates

Board Chair, LaVerne Williams, appointed Paul Guthrie, Grady Lawson, Tommy McDonald, and Becky Coltrane as voting delegates to the 2006 NCSBA Annual Conference.

Testing Update

Vicki Moss, Director of Testing and Accountability, reviewed the ABC performance and growth models. For performance students are tested in reading and math (new test added to model) grades 3-8, writing grades 4, 7, and 10 (added to the model), alternate assessments, computer skills test grade 8, End of Course High School Algebra I grade 8, Civics and U. S. History (added to the model). New growth formulas (which determine teacher bonuses) have been developed for this year. Individual student growth will be based on two-year prior test scores. Reading and math growth is calculated independently. Growth is measured based on academic change. We can expect to see lower performance composites and fewer schools make growth.

Resolution Authorizing Emergency Budget Amendment

Finance Officer Todd Lowe presented a Budget Resolution authorizing an emergency budget amendment to move \$1.5 million from the Current Expense Fund Balance to the Capital Outlay Budget for 2006-2007 for science lab upgrades, cultural arts improvements, air conditioning for three high school gymnasiums, additional buses, and facilities for staff development. G. Lawson made a motion seconded by G. Cook that the Board approve the budget resolution as presented. The motion carried: 7-0. The budget resolution as follows will be submitted to County Commissioners for approval:

RANDOLPH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY
BUDGET AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS, students entering the ninth (9th) grade for the first time in 2006-2007 and beyond will be required to meet new high school exit standards by the State; and whereas Biology, Physics, Physical Science and Chemistry are tested as end-of-course (EOC) assessments in the ABC's guidelines promulgated by the State Board of Education; and whereas existing high school science labs need to be upgraded in order to meet the challenges of these new directives from the State; and

WHEREAS, the Randolph County Board of Education does not have exclusive access to a large meeting room in the McDowell Center; and whereas space must also be leased for staff development and other training sessions; further, that efforts to remedy the abovesaid issues long term have been unsuccessful; and whereas, due to the critical space needs at Central Office, the Randolph County Board of Education is in need of an additional meeting facility; and

WHEREAS, due to substantial reduction in energy costs in recent weeks, the construction climate is currently more favorable for seeking bids to install air conditioning for the three county high schools gymnasiums that currently lack the same, to wit: Eastern Randolph High School, Southwestern Randolph High School and Trinity High School; and

WHEREAS, the four (4) high schools have immediate need for funds to pay for capital improvements planned or already incurred by the respective booster clubs of each school; and whereas cultural arts are also in need of theatre and band upgrades, including but not limited to, facility improvements, uniforms, instruments and other equipment; and

WHEREAS, due to increased enrollment of students, many school buses are having to perform double routes to transport children to and from county schools; and whereas, an immediate need for additional bus(es) is imperative to alleviate long delays in the double route areas; and

WHEREAS, the sum of \$1.5 million is needed to address the above-referenced needs of the Randolph County Schools in the areas of facilities, transportation and equipment.

THEREFORE, THE RANDOLPH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION resolves that:

1. Pursuant to N. C. G. S. § 115C-433 the Randolph County Board of Education can seek budget amendments to transfer money to or from the capital outlay fund to or from any other fund with approval of the Randolph County Board of Commissioners.
2. The sum of \$1,500,000.00 be transferred from the Current Expense Fund Balance to the Capital Outlay Budget of the Randolph County Board of Education.
3. The Chairperson of the Randolph County Board of Education, Superintendent and/or his designated agent be authorized to execute all documents necessary to accomplish this budget amendment.

Adopted this October _____, 2006.

Randolph County Board of Education

By: _____
Chairperson

By: _____
Secretary

Wide Area Network

Nan York, Director of Technology, and her staff presented information on the Wide Area Network (WAN), explaining its use for web hosting, internet access, on-line testing, curriculum programs, cafeteria management, and computer skills integration. The band width of the WAN is extremely small for the needs of the system, especially in light of the fact that additional on-line testing, NC Wise, on-line databases, surveillance cameras, back-up tapes, and additional web hosting will be needed in the future. The WAN costs \$248,244 yearly. An estimated \$640,000 will be needed to provide the amount of bandwidth needed.

Personnel Report

G. Lawson made a motion seconded by T. McDonald that the Board approve the Personnel Report as presented. The motion carried: 7-0. The report as approved by the Board is as follows:

PERSONNEL REPORT

PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE/SUBJECT</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>DATE EFFECTIVE</u>
<u>EMPLOYMENT</u>			
Marsha Hensley	Reading (50%)	Ramseur	09/19/06
Phyllis Wicker	Remediation (50%)	NERMS	10/16/06
Caroline Kemp	Reading (40%)	RES	10/02/06
Ken Gray	Remediation (50%)	Franklinville	10/04/06
Minda Spainhour	Science	RHS	10/12/06

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RESIGNATION

Charles Ireland	Math	RHS	09/28/06
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TRANSFERS

Ann Brady	Voc. Business>Tech.	SERMS	10/17/06
Lisa Hege	Hearing Impaired	J.L.>SWRHS	10/17/06
Thomas Moser	Tech.>Media	SERMS>SWRHS	10/17/06

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>SCHOOL(S)</u>	<u>PAY LEVEL</u>
Lillian Peterson	Bus Driver	Randleman Middle	08/25/06
Philip Lednum	Custodian	Grays Chapel	09/18/06
Linda Harvell	Custodian	Randleman Elem	09/27/06
Angela Deaton	Teacher Assistant Exceptional Children	Franklinville	09/28/06
Doely Watkins	Migrant Tutor	Central Office	10/02/06
Stephanie Cooke	Teacher Assistant Exceptional Children	Trinity High	10/16/06
Richard Langley	Child Nutrition Assistant	Liberty	10/02/06
Teenia Browning	Custodian/ Child Nutrition	Braxton	10/09/06

TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT

Linda Holt	Instructional Tutor	Liberty	09/19/06
Margaret Arrington	Instructional Tutor	Liberty	09/19/06
Alison Edwards	Instructional Tutor	New Market	09/19/06
Janice Horney	Instructional Tutor	Grays Chapel	10/30/06
Sherry Tuttle	Teacher Assistant Exceptional Children	Trinity High	extend through 10/13/06
Michelle Stoveall	Teacher Assistant	Ramseur	10/10/06- 12/21/06
Robin Spencer	Bus Driver	SWRHS	09/22/06- 11/30/06

TRANSFER

Darla Freeman	Bus Driver to Child Nutrition/Bus Driver	Randleman High	09/01/06
Melissa Adams	Custodian/ Bus Driver to Child Nutrition/Bus Driver	Grays Chapel to Randleman Middle/Grays Chapel	09/18/06
Willis Buskirk	Child Nutrition Assistant Manager/Custodian to Child Nutrition Assistant Manager/Bus Driver	Braxton	10/02/06
Katie McKenzie	General Office Assistant to General Office Assistant/ Teacher Assistant (4/5)(DF)	Coleridge	10/02/06
Paige Davis	Teacher Assistant (4/5)(DF) to Teacher Assistant Exceptional Children	Coleridge	09/29/06

CHANGE OF SERVICE

Tonia Whitley	Child Nutrition Assistant 3 hr to 6 hr	Randleman Middle	09/28/06
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Patsy Cummings	Child Nutrition Assistant 4 hr to 6 hr	Liberty	10/09/06
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LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Wendy Bell	Teacher Assistant	Trinity Elem	09/14/06- 10/16/06
Carolyn Wray	Child Nutrition/ Bus Driver	Trinity High	09/14/06- 10/13/06
Thomas VunCannon	Bus Driver	SWRHS	09/19/06- 11/30/06

RESIGNATION

Lillian Peterson	Bus Driver	Randleman Middle	09/15/06
Susan Humble	Child Nutrition Assistant	Liberty	09/30/06
Keith Craven, Jr.	Bus Driver	Uwharrie	06/06/06
Lisa Saunders	Child Nutrition/ Bus Driver	NERMS	10/05/06
Tammy Craven	Teacher Assistant Exceptional Children	ATMS	06/06/06
Julie Wall	After School Care Director	Lawrence	09/01/06
Rhonda Freeman	Custodian	SWRHS	10/06/06

TERMINATION

Roy Cranford	Custodian	ATMS	09/25/06
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RETIREMENT

Robert Scherer	Executive Director Facilities and Maintenance	Central Office	12/01/06
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SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADES</u>	<u>SCHOOL(S)</u>	<u>PAY LEVEL</u>
Shirley Allred	K-12	Eastern Area	Non Certified
Jeffrey Batchelor	6-12	Eastern Area	Non Certified
Leigh Blanchard	K-12	THS, Lawrence	Certified
Linda Henry	6-12	Trinity Area	Non Certified
Denise Kelly	K-5	Trinity Area	Certified
Martha Kirkman	K-5	Grays Chapel	Non Certified
Jonathan Luffman	K-12	Southwestern Area	Non Certified
Stephen Marine	K-12	Trinity Area	Certified
Deborah Semones	K-8	Eastern Area	Non Certified
Joseph Stephens	7-12	Southwestern Area	Non Certified
Kristina Voy	K-5	Hopewell	Certified

Adjournment

P. Guthrie made a motion seconded by T. McDonald that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried: 7-0.

Chairman

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Secretary