

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Board Meeting – Commons Meeting Room**  
**December 4, 2018**

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The Stanly County Board of Education met on Tuesday, December 4, 2018, at 7:00 PM in the Commons Meeting Room located at 1000 North First Street.

**Attendance:** Board members in attendance were, Chairman Melvin Poole, Patty Crump, Glenda Gibson, Ryan McIntyre, and Vicky Watson. Others in attendance included Superintendent, Dr. Jeff James; Assistant Superintendent of Personnel and Student Services, Ms. Vicki Calvert; Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Mr. Danny Poplin, and Board Attorney, Mark Lowder.

Dr. Jeff James called the meeting to order. Mr. Ryan McIntyre gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Board Member Oath of Office:** Ms. Suzanne Lowder administered the oath of office to newly elected board member Anthony Graves.

**Election of Chairperson:** With Superintendent Dr. Jeff James presiding, the floor was opened for nominations for Chairperson. Ms. Vicky Watson made a motion to nominate Mr. Melvin Poole. On a motion by Mr. Ryan McIntyre and seconded by Mr. Anthony Graves, the nominations were closed, and Mr. Melvin Poole was elected chairperson by acclamation.

**Election of Vice Chairperson:** Chairman Mr. Melvin Poole opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairperson. A motion was made by Ms. Glenda Gibson to nominate Ms. Vicky Watson. A motion was made by Mr. Anthony Graves to nominate Mr. Ryan McIntyre. On a motion by Mr. Ryan McIntyre and seconded by Mr. Anthony Graves, the nominations were closed. Members cast their votes by written ballot. Results were two votes for Ms. Vicky Watson and four votes for Mr. Ryan McIntyre.

**NSHS Handbell Choir:** Mr. Melvin Poole introduced Ms. Aza Hudson, choral director, and the *NSHS Handbell Choir* who performed several arrangements of seasonal music.

**Recognitions:**

*PBIS Green Ribbon School:* Ms. Melissa Smith, Central Elementary School.

*EVAAS Highest Growth Index:* Patricia Whitely, SECHS; Nancy Deeck, Badin; Shannon Sanders, WSMS; Robert Letto, WSHS; Tina Carter, WSHS; Mark Rowles, WSHS; Jason Huneycutt, SECHS; Joyce Hansen, WSMS; Tammie Griffin, WSMS; Krista McGuire, East Albemarle; Kiyana Wilkins, East Albemarle, and Alexis Fox, Stanfield.

*Citizens for Safer Schools:* Mr. Jeff Branch spoke of the more than 30 members and their efforts to educate the citizens of Stanly County concerning the quarter cent sales tax.

**Academic Accolades:** Mr. Damon Rhodes, Badin Elementary principal, presented a PowerPoint presentation that addressed student population, academic achievements, subjects, high quality staff, celebrations, tradition and community involvement, and school culture.

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**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of November 5, 2018, regular meeting were approved as presented.

**Committee Reports:** Chairman Mr. Melvin Poole called for committee reports as follows:

Instructional Program – No report.

Facilities – Mr. Ryan McIntyre reported the committee met on November 20, 2018, to discuss SSMS property request and WSHS building request. The committee approved the SSMS property purchase to be presented to the Finance committee, and approved the batting cage building structure at WSHS due to there being no cost to the school system. Mr. Ryan McIntyre requested the Board approve the recommendation from the Facilities Committee to approve the WSHS building structure as presented by Chad Yow. After discussion, Mr. Ryan McIntyre amended the motion to add the stipulation to maintain consistency with current buildings located at WSHS. The Board approved the amended motion.

Finance – Mr. Ryan McIntyre reported the committee met on November 20, 2018. The following items for action were brought before the Board:

- SSMS property purchase of 1.05 acers for a total of \$5,250.00. As recommended by committee, the motion was approved with none opposing.
- Position reclassification presented by Ms. Shanna McLamb addressed the need to better align several classified positions. Mr. Anthony Graves requested this matter be pulled for closed session.

Personnel – Ms. Vicky Watson reported the committee met on November 15, 2018, to discuss position reclassifications and board member monthly stipend.

Policy – No report.

Legislative Resource Network – Dr. Jeff James reported that Legislator is entering in short session.

**Traditional Calendar Adjustment:** Dr. Jeff James requested January 22, 2019, become a sheltered professional day and January 23, 2019, become a full day for students due to the need to make up hours during Hurricane Florence and other prior weather events. On a motion by Mr. Ryan McIntyre and seconded by Ms. Patty Crump, the Board approved the presented traditional calendar adjustments (documentation attached).

**Curriculum and Instruction:** Mr. Danny Poplin presented the following information:

- Requests for Early Graduation: Mr. Danny Poplin presented five students for early graduation. On a motion by Ms. Glenda Gibson and seconded by Mr. Ryan McIntyre, the Board approved the early graduation requests as presented.

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**Personnel, Administration, and Student Services:** Ms. Vicki Calvert presented the personnel agenda as follows:

**SECTION I - Personnel Matters** (No action required) - The following items were provided for information: (A) Certified Resignations; (B) Classified Resignations, and (C) Reassignment of Certified Personnel.

**SECTION II - Personnel Matters** (Action required) – On a motion by Mr. Ryan McIntyre and seconded by Ms. Glenda Gibson, the Board voted to approve the following recommendations: (A) Recommendation for Certified Personnel; (B) Recommendation for Classified Personnel; (C) Recommendation for Substitute Teachers; (D) Recommendation for Bus Driver Substitute; (E) Recommendation for CN Substitute; (F) Recommendation for Title I Tutors, and (G) Request for Leave of Absence.

**Auxiliary Services:** Dr. Jeff James provided the following information:

- On a motion by Mr. Ryan McIntyre and seconded by Mr. Anthony Graves, the Board approved Budget Amendment #2 in its entirety (documentation attached).
- On a motion by Mr. Ryan McIntyre and seconded by Ms. Glenda Gibson, the Board approved State and Local Budget Transfer #2 (documentation attached).

**Public Comments:**

- Melissa Belk

**Superintendent Comments:** Dr. Jeff James thanked North Stanly High School Handbell Choir for their performance and Mr. Damon Rhodes for his presentation and leadership at Badin Elementary School.

**Board Member Comments:** Mr. Anthony Graves stated his number one priority is restoring trust and restore transparency, and accountability. Other comments included thank you to NSHS for performing, and congratulations to those recognized this evening. Ms. Patty Crump spoke of researching staggered start time and specialty programs currently being discussed. Mr. Melvin Poole stated the Board will meet for a work session on December 10, 2018, at 6:00 PM.

**Next Board Meeting:** The next regular monthly meeting will be January 8, 2018, in the Commons Meeting Room located at 1000 North First Street.

**Closed Session for Student, Personnel Matters and Attorney-Client Matters:** On a motion by Mr. Ryan McIntyre and seconded by Ms. Vicky Watson the Board entered into closed session at 8:31 PM for the purpose of discussing student matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(1), personnel matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6), and attorney-client matters in accordance with NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(3).

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Board members reconvened in open session at 9:35 PM.

Mr. Melvin Poole called to question the recommendation of reclassification by Mr. Ryan McIntrye as presented by Finance Committee. With none opposing the recommendation from the committee was approved.

On a motion by Mr. Ryan McIntrye and seconded by Ms. Glenda Gibson, the meeting was adjourned at 9:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Melvin Poole, Chairman

Dr. Jeffery R. James, Secretary