

Gaston County Schools  
BOE Curriculum & Instruction Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes for June 6, 2022

Members Present:

Dot Guthrie, Justin Davis, Steve Hall, Robbie Lovelace, Jeff Ramsey and Dot Cherry

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m.

A motion was made and seconded with unanimous approval to adopt minutes as presented for the meeting of May 2, 2022, with no corrections. A motion was made with a unanimous vote to add an item to the agenda — Budget Update.

Mr. Hoskins gave a budget update on COVID -19 retention bonuses, salary increases and the interim budget. This item will be on the June 20, 2022 board agenda.

Mr. Brett Buchanan presented information on Career & Technical Education (CTE) Internships & Youth Apprenticeship. Advertising for the CTE Internships & Youth Apprenticeship is done in a variety of ways — videos embedded in interest surveys, digital and paper flyers, CTE support staff and Gaston College Career Coaches. This year, 78 students showed an interest in the CTE Internships & Youth Apprenticeship program. The biggest challenge for placing students in a youth apprenticeship is age requirement, graduation requirements, sports, valid ID, lack of transportation or student interest changes.

Dr. Melissa Balknight presented information on school based mental health services. It is time to complete a Request for Proposal for mental health services and we are requesting one agency support all of our schools.

Dr. Chris Bennett presented information on Middle School Math Support. We are offering summer math training for teachers using Curriculum Associate Ready Math. Week 1 will be held June 13-16 and is a “teacher camp week”. Curriculum Associates and GCS facilitators will conduct this camp. Week 2 will be held June 20-23 and will be offered to rising 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders in any attendance zone. In week 2, teachers will be able to teach what they were taught from the previous week. Both camps will be offered at York Chester Middle School. An abbreviated session of Middle School Math Support will be offered to teachers in August.

Mr. Chad Duncan presented information on the CaroMont Athletic Trainer Contract. This item will be on the June 20, 2022 board consent agenda.

Dr. Melissa Balknight presented information on Cropper GIS Consulting Contract. This item will be on the June 20, 2022 board consent agenda.

Dr. Melissa Balknight presented information on Successful Practices Network Contract. This item will be on the June 20, 2022 board consent agenda.

There will not be a Curriculum & Instruction Meeting in July. The next committee meeting is scheduled for August 1 at 12 noon.

Superintendent Booker thanked everyone for their support this past week with graduation.

The meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m.