

Gaston County Schools
BOE Curriculum & Instruction Committee
Minutes for March 6, 2023

Members Present:

Dot Guthrie, Robbie Lovelace, Josh Crisp, Tod Kinlaw, Dot Cherry, Jeff Ramsey

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm. A motion was made and seconded with a unanimous vote to adopt minutes as presented, with no corrections, for the meeting on November 14, 2022.

A motion was made and seconded to add an item to the agenda- Finance Updates.

Gary Hoskins, Chief Financial Officer, Gina Waters, and Sean Markwith shared information about Oracle and payroll concerns.

Chad Duncan provided athletic updates pertaining to cheerleading. Cheerleading has the same off-season guidelines as other sports. Summer workouts are optional and open to all students. Cheer tryouts will continue to occur at the same time as other fall sports. Fall sports tryouts can begin on July 31, 2023. Cheerleading uniforms are provided by the schools for all team members.

Mr. Duncan also shared the process for community use. Gaston County Schools has community use agreements with ten different municipalities. Compliant with board policy 8370, portions of GCS facilities may be used when the school district isn't utilizing the facilities. There is an application process and a fee schedule for all approved renters.

Terri Surbeck gave the committee information about student assignment. Biological parents or legal guardians can submit enrollment information either online or in person at the Office of Student Assignment. A student is assigned to a school based on proof of residency. Student transfers may be requested during a specified time and based on a school's capacity. Belmont Central Elementary, Pleasant Ridge Elementary, and Cramerton Middle schools are closed to student transfers. Students who want to attend a magnet or choice program must meet the eligibility requirements for the school choice lottery. Waitlist students will be offered seats by waitlist number when/if seats become available.

The Executive Directors updated the committee on Camp Gaston. Camp Gaston is provided for students enrolled in Gaston County Schools at no cost to parents. The 2023 summer session will be held from June 12 - June 29, 2023. There will be offerings for all levels including academically & intellectually gifted, exceptional children, and multilingual learners.

The next meeting will be on April 3, 2023, at noon.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:52 pm.

Submitted by: Lolita Williams

