

**THE GASTON COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION**



Shaping Our Future

**240 Eighth Ave., Cramerton, NC 28032
January 14, 2017
9:00 a.m. Meeting**

Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 1/14/2017

Agenda Item Title/Topic: Agenda Adoption

Type of Item: Consent Action Information

Main Points:

Consideration of Formal Agenda for Saturday, January 14, 2017.

Roberts Rules of Order (Revised) adoption of Agenda for meeting sequence and structure.

Fiscal Implications:

N/A

Recommendation:

Adoption of Agenda

Policy Implications:

N/A

Strategic Goal Alignment:

Goal 1. Every student will graduate prepared for post-secondary opportunities.

Submitted by: W. Jeffrey Booker **Department:** Superintendent/Public Information

THE GASTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Kevin Collier - Chairman – Riverbend Township
Jeffrey Ramsey - Vice Chairman – At Large

Dot Cherry, At Large
 Lee Dedmon, Gastonia Township
 Dot Guthrie, Gastonia Township
 Chris Howell, South Point Township



Brent Moore, Crowders Mtn. Township
 Catherine Roberts, Dallas Township
 Terry Usery, Cherryville Township

240 Eighth Ave., Cramerton, NC 28032
 Saturday, January 14, 2017
 9:00 a.m.
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Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 1/14/2017

Agenda Item Title/Topic: Public Expression

Type of Item: Consent Action Information

Main Points:

The Board of Education agenda has been made available to the public for review. Citizens wishing to speak before the Board about an agenda item or other topic may do so during Public Expression.

Fiscal Implications:

None

Recommendation:

The Board of Education will establish time (30 minutes) at the beginning of the regular monthly meeting for Public Expression. Any citizen not heard during this time may be heard at the end of the business session.

Policy Implications:

None

Strategic Goal Alignment:

Goal 1. Every student will graduate prepared for post-secondary opportunities.

Submitted by: Todd Hagans, Chief Communications Officer

Department: Communications/Public Information (Superintendent's Office)

Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 1/14/2017

Agenda Item Title/Topic: Approval/Correction of Minutes

Type of Item: Consent Action Information

Main Points:

Approval of Minutes of:

December 5, 2016

December 19, 2016

Efficient consideration of matters pertinent to the successful operation of the school system.

Fiscal Implications:

N/A

Recommendation:

N/A

Policy Implications:

Validation of Board Proceedings.

Strategic Goal Alignment:

Goal 1. Every student will graduate prepared for post-secondary opportunities.

Submitted by: W. Jeffrey Booker

Department: Superintendent

The Gaston County Board of Education
Monday, December 5, 2016
9:30 a.m.

MINUTES

The Gaston County Board of Education met in a special called organizational meeting for the purpose of electing new officers on Monday, December 5, 2016 at 10:25 a.m. in the Board Room, 943 Osceola Street, Gastonia, NC. Those Board Members present were: Vice Chairman Jeffrey Ramsey, Dot Cherry, Kevin Collier, Lee Dedmon, Dot Guthrie, Chris Howell, Brent Moore, Catherine Roberts and Terry Usery.

Additional attendees include: Superintendent W. Jeffrey Booker, Attorney Sonya McGraw, Assistant Superintendents Dr. Melissa Balknight, Cindee Matson, Dr. Kim Mattox, Chief Financial Officer Gary Hoskins, Chief Communications Officer Todd Hagans and Board Clerk Dana Luoto.

Superintendent Booker called the December 5, 2016 organizational meeting to order at 10:25 a.m. and served as Chairman Pro Tempore as set forth in the NC Law and Board Policy. The start time for the meeting was delayed due to the swearing-in ceremony held earlier in the day for newly elected and re-elected Board Members.

Superintendent Booker thanked Mr. Kenny Lutz and Mr. Mark Upchurch for their many years of service with The Gaston County Board of Education and Mr. Jeff Ramsey as Vice-Chair for his service.

Superintendent Booker recognized our newly elected and re-elected members – Mr. Terry Usery, Cherryville Township, Mr. Brent Moore, Crowders Mountain Township, re-elected Mrs. Dot Guthrie, Gastonia Township, and re-elected Mr. Jeff Ramsey, At Large.

Superintendent Booker acknowledged the remaining Board of Education Members – Mr. Kevin Collier, Riverbend Township, Mr. Chris Howell, South Point Township, Ms. Dot Cherry, At Large, Mr. Lee Dedmon, Gastonia Township and Mrs. Catherine Roberts, Dallas Township.

Superintendent Booker reviewed rules of the meeting which are set forth by N.C. Law and our policy.

Superintendent Booker led the invocation and pledge.

Superintendent Booker opened the floor for nominations for Chairman of The Gaston County Board of Education.

Mr. Jeff Ramsey nominated Mr. Kevin Collier.

There were no additional nominees.

The vote was called.

All in favor of Mr. Kevin Collier as Chairman of The Gaston County Board of Education - Ms. Dot Cherry, Mr. Kevin Collier, Mr. Lee Dedmon, Mrs. Dot Guthrie, Mr. Chris Howell, Mr. Brent Moore, Mr. Jeff Ramsey, Mrs. Catherine Roberts and Mr. Terry Usery - Unanimous.

Mr. Kevin Collier is named Chairman of The Gaston County Board of Education. In accordance with NC Law and Board Policy, Chairman Collier began to preside over the meeting.

Chairman Kevin Collier opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman of The Gaston County Board of Education.

Mr. Brent Moore nominated Mr. Jeff Ramsey.

Mrs. Catherine Roberts nominated Mr. Chris Howell.

Mr. Jeff Ramsey and Mr. Chris Howell both expressed why they would like to serve as Vice-Chairman of the Gaston County Board of Education.

The vote was called in the order in which nominations were received.

All in favor of Mr. Jeff Ramsey as Vice Chairman of The Gaston County Board of Education -Ms. Dot Cherry, Mr. Kevin Collier, Mr. Lee Dedmon, Mrs. Dot Guthrie, Mr. Bent Moore, Mr. Jeff Ramsey, and Mr. Terry Usery in favor (7).

All in favor of Mr. Chris Howell as Vice Chairman of The Gaston County Board of Education - Mr. Howell and Mrs. Roberts in favor (2).

Mr. Jeff Ramsey is named Vice Chairman of The Gaston County Board of Education.

(Superintendent Booker to serve as Ex-Officio Secretary to the Board as set forth in the NC Law and Board Policy.)

Chairman Collier opened the floor for nominations for the Office of Assistant Secretary of the Board of The Gaston County Board of Education.

Ms. Dot Cherry nominated Mrs. Dana Luoto as Assistant Secretary of the Board and Mr. Collier moved to close nominations.

The vote was called and passed unanimously. Mrs. Dana Luoto is elected to serve as Assistant Secretary of the Board of The Gaston County Board of Education.

There being no further business to conduct, motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Jeff Ramsey; seconded by Ms. Dot Cherry; motion carried unanimously. (9-0)

The Board meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Approved:

Kevin L. Collier, Chairman

[Corporate Seal]

W. Jeffrey Booker, Secretary

Gaston County Schools
Board of Education
Monday, December 19, 2016
Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Minutes

The Gaston County Board of Education met in a regular work session on Monday, December 19, 2016 in the Board Room, 943 Osceola Street, Gastonia, NC. Those Board members in attendance were: Chairman Kevin Collier, Vice Chairman Jeff Ramsey, Dot Cherry, Lee Dedmon, Dot Guthrie, Brent Moore, Catherine Roberts and Terry Usery. (Chris Howell absent).

Additional attendees include: Superintendent W. Jeffrey Booker, Attorney Sonya McGraw, Assistant Superintendents Dr. Melissa Balknight, Cindy Matson, Chief Financial Officer Gary Hoskins, Chief Communications Officer Todd Hagans, and Board Clerk Dana Luoto.

Chairman Collier called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Invocation

Superintendent Booker led the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Lingerfeldt Elementary Student Council President, Savannah Heavner and Vice President, Lanier Jackson, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent Booker presented students with a flag pin.

Agenda Adoption - Action

The Board considered Agenda Adoption – Action

Motion to adopt Agenda as presented was made by Ms. Dot Cherry; seconded by Mr. Jeff Ramsey. (8-0)

Good News – Information

Superintendent Booker recognized Chris Turner, Bessemer City High School senior. Chris has earned a full scholarship to attend Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island where he plans to study engineering or physics.

The scholarship is valued at more than \$270,000 and was awarded through QuestBridge, a highly competitive national scholarship program.

Mr. Brent Moore presented a certificate of Recognition to Chris Turner.

Nearly 30 community volunteers came together at Lingerfeldt Elementary for Junior Achievement Day on Friday, December 2nd.

Sponsored by Junior Achievement of the Carolinas, the day focused on teaching students about economics, personal finance and business as well as how their education can connect them to a career.

Volunteers from Tabernacle Baptist Church, the Gaston County Department of Health and Human Services and Junior Achievement presented age-appropriate lessons for every class in the school from pre-kindergarten through fifth grade.

In addition, Dr. Benjamin Hinton, Pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church, and Chris Dobbins, Director of the Gaston County Department of Health and Human Services, served as honorary "Principals for a Day" during the program.

Mrs. Dot Guthrie presented a Certificate of Recognition to Gaston County Department of Health and Human Services.

Mrs. Dot Guthrie presented a Certificate of Recognition to Tabernacle Baptist Church.

Mrs. Dot Guthrie presented a Certificate of Recognition to Junior Achievement of the Carolinas.

Superintendent Booker recognized the Cherryville High School Education Foundation.

This year the Foundation has awarded more than \$12,000 in grants to Cherryville High School. A total of eleven (11) grants were given to classes including the Essentials for College Math, Physical Science and Earth Science classes as well as the school's library.

The Foundation also gave each classroom teacher a \$100 gift card to purchase school supplies.

Mr. Terry Usery presented a Certificate of Recognition to the Cherryville High School Education Foundation.

Superintendent Booker recognized the following Instructional Technology Facilitators (ITF) who have earned competitive certifications that demonstrate their leadership and expertise in education technology:

Aundrea Jenkins
Chrissie Lunsford
Christy Turner
Heather Mathis
Katherine Leatherman
Lisa Montgomery
Teresa Thomassen
Sandra Engbarth

These ITFs have earned the distinction of “Google for Education Certified Trainer” or “Apple Teacher”. Some have earned both of these recognitions, showing that they are truly experts in helping teachers effectively use technology in the classroom.

To become a Google Trainer, educators must pass a series of exams and demonstrate a history of training other educators with Google tools.

Apple Teachers are recognized for their understanding of how to use Apple products for teaching and learning. They have proven knowledge of using iPad, Mac and built-in apps to enhance productivity and inspire creativity in the classroom and beyond.

Mr. Todd Hagans presented the Instructional Technology Facilitators a Certificate of Recognition.

Superintendent Booker recognized the Gaston County Schools Communications Department for winning two (2) national awards this year.

The department received two (2) awards from the National School Public Relations Association: the National Golden Achievement Award for the “Nickels 4 Neighbors” fundraising campaign and a National Award of Merit for the “Gaston County Schools: Report to the Community” publication.

Gaston County Schools was one of only four school districts in North Carolina to receive a National Golden Achievement Award in 2016.

Also, in 2016, the department won eleven (11) Blue Ribbon State Awards from the North Carolina School Public Relations Association for excellence in writing, video production, photography, digital media engagement, publications and special events.

One of the state awards was the “Best of the Best” recognition in the Special Events and Programs category for the district’s “Nickels 4 Neighbors” fundraising campaign. We are

pleased to say that our "Nickels 4 Neighbors" campaign is a state and national award-winning program.

Good News from Chairman Collier

Chairman Collier recognized Board Members Mrs. Dot Guthrie and Mr. Lee Dedmon who recently earned recognition from the North Carolina Schools Boards Association.

Mrs. Guthrie and Mr. Dedmon received the Certificate of Merit from the Association's Academy for School Boardmanship program.

The Certificate of Merit honors Mrs. Guthrie and Mr. Dedmon for achieving 31 to 100 cumulative hours of training that is offered through the Academy for Board Members.

Additionally, you may recall that a few months ago, the full Board was recognized with the Gold Bell Award, which honors the Board for having all members to complete at least 12 hours of training over the past year.

Chairman Collier congratulated Superintendent Booker who was recently named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Gastonia East Rotary Club.

For more than 50 years, it has been a tradition for local clubs to support the Rotary International Foundation by giving contributions in honor of community and business leaders and other esteemed citizens like Superintendent Booker.

Public Expression – Information

Jeff Ritter

204 Tinkham Trail
Cramerton, NC

Re: Sibling Policy at Hawks Nest STEAM Academy

Robert Faires

3506 Lincoln Lane
Gastonia, NC

Re: Sibling Policy at Hawks Nest STEAM Academy

Keith Porter, Jr.

1040 Dan Maples Drive
Cramerton, NC

Re Sibling Policy at Hawks Nest STEAM Academy

Jason Austell

2209 Londonderry Drive

Gastonia, NC

Re: Sibling Policy at Hawks Nest STEAM Academy

Approval/Correction of Minutes - Action

The Board considered Approval of Minutes – Action

Motion to adopt minutes of November 14, 2016 as presented was made by Ms. Dot Chery; seconded by Mrs. Dot Guthrie; motion carried unanimously. (8-0)

Classroom Moment – Information

Chairman Collier recognized Dr. Balknight who recognized Dr. Leigh Smith, Ms. Lisa Neisler and Mrs. Ana Barreto-Mathews. Ms. Neisler presented a PowerPoint presentation on English Learners Acquiring Language and highlights included:

Ashbrook English Learner Facts

- 66 English Learners of varying English language proficiency
- Our English Learners come from 19 different countries and Puerto Rico
- Currently enrolled are 18 students who are new to US since August, 2015

The following students shared their educational experience at Ashbrook:

- Thalia Estevez Valdez
- Hugo Ulices Hernandez Ambrocio
- Vanessa Chacon Ramos
- Emily Orellana Loor
- Fatima Martinez Herrera
- Karen Hernandez Perez
- Diana Reyes Aldana
- Jennifer Rodriguez Pineda
- Nayeli Rodriguez Reyes
- Victor Rueda Herrera

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) - Action

Chairman Collier recognized Mr. Gary Hoskins who introduced Mr. Vince Quinn who reviewed the Annual Financial Report.

Motion

The motion was made by Mr. Lee Dedmon; seconded by Mr. Jeff Ramsey that the Board
Approve the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

A vote was taken and motion to approve the item as presented carried unanimously. (8-0)

Pre-Kindergarten Arts Opportunity - Information

Chairman Collier introduced Dr. Melissa Balknight who introduced Dr. Leigh Smith, Executive Director of Federal Programs and Ms. Deana Murphy, Pre-K Director. Ms. Murphy presented a PowerPoint on NC Wolf Trap Institute for Early Learners Through the Arts and highlights included:

How is the Program Structured?

- Two (2) arts-driven lessons per week, initially led by teaching artist but eventually by classroom teacher with artist support
- Lessons based on curriculum goals
- Culminates in a Family Night Event

How does it Benefit Children?

- Accommodates individual learning styles
- Emphasizes active participation
- Employs an interdisciplinary approach
- Fosters creativity
- Enhances all areas of development

How does it Benefit Teachers?

- Strengthens teacher's knowledge
- Expands teaching strategies
- Enhances instructional goals
- Supports curriculum and assessment

What Schools will Participate?

2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Springfield (4 classes) •Rankin •Woodhill (2 classes) •Pinewood •Page •Bess 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Pleasant Ridge •Bessemer City Primary •Sadler •Tryon •Lingerfeldt •Cherryville •Robinson 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Brookside •Catawba Heights •Chapel Grove •Carr •Gardner Park •Costner •North Belmont

Who is Partnering with Gaston County Schools to Offer this Program?

Gaston Arts Council	Gaston County Schools Pre-K Program
5 classrooms x \$1,800 per classroom = \$9,000	5 classrooms x \$1,800 per classroom = \$9,000

Grant Opportunity - Action

Chairman Collier recognized Dr. Melissa Balknight who presented a PowerPoint on Grant Opportunities Upward Bound Program and highlights included:

- We are in the process of applying for an Upward Bound Grant
- This grant would be in partnership with Gaston College
- The grant is for \$257,000 per year for four (4) years
- Would serve up to 60 participants
- Grant would serve Bessemer City High and Hunter Huss students
- Grant would promote student success

Motion

The motion was made by Mr. Jeff Ramsey; seconded by Mr. Brent Moore that the Board

Approve Grant Opportunity Upward Bound Program

A vote was taken and motion to approve the item as presented carried unanimously. (8-0)

Boiler and Building Pump Replacement at Ashbrook High School - Action

Chairman Collier recognized Mr. Gary Hoskins who informed Board the boiler and building pumps at Ashbrook High School are 45 years old and have been in operation since the school was built. The boiler and building pumps have stopped working and we are currently using backups.

The cost for the project will be \$226,507.93. Three (3) quotes were obtained with Corn Service of Gastonia being the low bidder.

Mr. Hoskins requested approval of this project.

Motion

The motion was made by Mr. Lee Dedmon; seconded by Ms. Dot Cherry that the Board
Approve Boiler and Building Pump Replacement at Ashbrook High with Corn Service of Gastonia

A vote was taken and motion to approve the item as presented carried unanimously. (8-0)

Consent Agenda - Action

The Board considered the Consent Agenda; (1) Recommended Personnel; (2) Budget Amendments & Budget Transfers; (3) Construction/Repair Change Orders; (4) Contracts - Action as presented.

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda - Action as presented was made by Ms. Dot Cherry; seconded by Mr. Lee Dedmon motion carried. (8-0)

Superintendent's Comments

Superintendent Booker acknowledged through all of our budget cuts our Board never took away from the arts. Almost monthly we have different events related to the arts. We are very fortunate in this community that arts are alive.

Our pursuit of grants continues. Dr. Balknight and her team are constantly on the look-out for grants as the federal government has moved to grants as more the method of funding. We believe we must stay on the edge of this. We appreciate your support in allowing us to go after grants. We do not get all we apply for but we do have a high rate of success.

This week we are traveling to eastern North Carolina for this years "Nickels 4 Neighbors". Our grant total was just short of \$22,000 and this is truly children bringing in their nickels. We will be visiting Edgecombe, Lenoir, Robeson and Wayne counties to present them with their official checks.

Over the past two weeks, I have met with six different focus groups, three in elementary and three in middle school, to start talking to students and listening to them about their classrooms and their opinions of their schools and overall operations. You would be pleased to hear the engagement of these students. It is great to hear their feedback and the health of our schools in the eyes of our students.

We had a great Saturday in Gaston County. Our own South Point High School was successful in winning the state 3-A football championship. This is the fifth state championship for South Point High School.

I would like to remind everyone our winter break begins with the closing of school tomorrow afternoon. Central Office locations will be open to the public but our schools will be closed. Holidays for our employees are December 23rd, 26th, 27th and January 2nd. On Tuesday, January 3rd, all students, teachers and staff will return to school.

I would like to thank all of our schools for the various projects going on. Nickels 4 Neighbors is one example. One middle school I visited collected clothing to send to eastern North Carolina. Numerous fundraisers and collections went on. I could list great things that each of our schools are doing just to be a part of our community.

I wish everyone in our community happy holidays, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. When we come back in 2017 we have lofty goals for our district and we will charge ahead to be successful with those goals.

Closed Session

Chairman Collier asked the Board to consider going into Closed Session under, N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6)–Personnel.

Motion to go into Closed Session was made by Mrs. Dot Guthrie; seconded by Mr. Jeff Ramsey motion carried unanimously. (8-0)

The Board went into Closed Session at 6:55 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:05 p.m.

Superintendent Booker asked Board Members to consider the following candidate as Assistant Principal at Southwest Middle School:

- Audrey Hovis

Motion

The motion was made by Mr. Terry Usery; seconded by Ms. Dot Cherry that the Board
Approve Audrey Hovis as Assistant Principal at Southwest Middle School

A vote was taken and motion to approve the item as presented carried unanimously. (8-0)

Adjournment

All business having been conducted, motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Lee Dedmon; seconded by Mrs. Dot Guthrie motion carried unanimously. (8-0)

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Approved:

Kevin L. Collier, Chairman
[Corporate Seal]

W. Jeffrey Booker, Secretary

Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 1/14/2017

Agenda Item Title/Topic: Consent Agenda

Type of Item: **Consent** **Action** **Information**

Main Points:

Approval of the Consent Agenda by the Board for the following items:

- A. Recommended Personnel
- B. Budget Amendments & Budget Transfers
- C. Construction/Repair Change Order
- D. Contracts

Fiscal Implications:

N/A

Recommendation:

Consent items will be adopted with a single motion, second and vote, unless a request for removal from the Consent Agenda is heard from a Board Member.

Policy Implications:

N/A

Strategic Goal Alignment:

Goal 1. Every student will graduate prepared for post-secondary opportunities.

Submitted by: W. Jeffrey Booker

Department: Superintendent

Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 1/14/2017

Agenda Item Title/Topic: Recommended Personnel

Type of Item: Consent Action Information

Main Points:

In accordance with the provisions of G.S. 115C-276(j), "It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to recommend and the Board of Education to elect all principals, teachers and other school personnel in the administrative unit." It is also within the powers of the Board to hear requests for approved leave, retirement and resignations or terminations in accordance with employment and dismissal regulations.

Fiscal Implications:

N/A

Recommendation:

N/A

Policy Implications:

Necessary and appropriate personnel will be provided to assure successful administration of schools.

Strategic Goal Alignment:

Other: Policy or Gen Statute. See above.

Submitted by: W. Jeffrey Booker

Department: Human Resources

Last Name	First Name	Category	School
Aguirre	Gilbert	Resignation	Stuart W. Cramer High - 378
Alexander	Jessica	Resignation	Exceptional Children Department - 010
Auten	Tammie	New Hire	School Nutrition Department - 007
Barnes	Chelsea	Resignation	Brookside Elementary School - 340
Beaver	Amy	New Hire	Gaston Early College High School - 337
Best	Jessica	New Hire	Hershal H. Beam Elementary - 492
Black	Maia	New Hire	Highland School of Technology - 418
Blake	Natalie	New Hire	Bessemer City High School - 336
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Blanton	Jackie	Resignation	Cherryville High School - 360
Bolden	David	Resignation	Webb Street School - 394
Bolt	Michelle	New Hire	Hawks Nest STEAM Academy - 420
Bowen	Brett	Resignation	Holbrook Middle School - 426
Bray	Ronald	New Hire	Ashbrook High School - 310
Burgin	Julie	Dismissal	Kiser Elementary School - 432
Capps	Doreen	Resignation	Southwest Middle School - 498
Clark	Beverly	New Hire	North Gaston High School - 470
Cole	Bobby	New Hire	Facilities Department - 004
Collins	Dana	New Hire	Mount Holly Middle School - 456
Crosby	Veronica	New Hire	Hunter Huss High School - 428
Curry	Velegar	Resignation	East Gaston High School - 390
Dawkins	April	New Hire	York Chester Middle School - 526
Dellinger	Bobby	New Hire	Ashbrook High School - 310
Dellinger	Patsy	Resignation	Cherryville High School - 360
Donelan	Holly	New Hire	East Gaston High School - 390
Edwards	Christopher	New Hire	Hunter Huss High School - 428
Elder	April	New Hire	Southwest Middle School - 498
Falls	Ruth	New Hire	Belmont Central Elementary - 320
Falls	Ruth	Resignation	Belmont Central Elementary - 320
Fichera-Lening	Roselia	Resignation	North Gaston High School - 470
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Ford	Rosa	New Hire	Ida Rankin Elementary - 482
Furr	Rodney	Resignation	South Point High School - 494
Gallagher	Victoria	New Hire	Forestview High School - 396
Goode	Janet	Resignation	Brookside Elementary School - 340
Grant	Charles	Resignation	Highland School of Technology - 418
Gwinn	Martha	Resignation	East Gaston High School - 390
Haney	Kristen	Resignation	Bessemer City Middle School - 436
Harris	Christal	New Hire	Cherryville High School - 360
Heavner	Bethany	New Hire	Stuart W. Cramer High - 378
Hopper	Takischa	New Hire	York Chester Middle School - 526
Imboden	Nesta	New Hire	Woodhill Elementary School - 520
Johnson	Fred	New Hire	East Gaston High School - 390
Johnson	Mindy	New Hire	School Nutrition Department - 007
Johnson	Rebecca	Resignation	School Nutrition Department - 007

Last Name	First Name	Category	School
Johnson	Rebecca	Resignation	Webb Street School - 394
Kellar	Mason	New Hire	East Gaston High School - 390
Kennedy	Michael	Resignation	Hunter Huss High School - 428
Kennedy	Rita	New Hire	Bessemer City Central - 332
Kerby	Michelle	Resignation	East Gaston High School - 390
Kinard	Danny	Resignation	Belmont Central Elementary - 320
Kinard	Danny	Resignation	Belmont Central Elementary - 320
King	Amy	Resignation	Springfield Elementary School - 499
King	Amy	Resignation	Springfield Elementary School - 499
La Prade	Joy	Resignation	Superintendent's Office - 008
Lawrence	Karen	Resignation	York Chester Middle School - 526
Lewis	Sue	Resignation	Robinson Elementary School - 488
Lowe	William	New Hire	Facilities Department - 004
Marks	Maureen	Resignation	Woodhill Elementary School - 520
Mason	Michelle	New Hire	North Gaston High School - 470
McClain	LaRonda	New Hire	Holbrook Middle School - 426
McMillan	Jenilee	New Hire	School Nutrition Department - 007
Melton	Christie	Resignation	Southwest Middle School - 498
Mills	Sheiva	New Hire	Bessemer City Primary - 338
Mongillo	Michael	New Hire	Kiser Elementary School - 432
Montgomery	Adrienne	Resignation	Lowell Elementary School - 440
Moore	Anethia	New Hire	Bessemer City Central School - 332
Moore	David	New Hire	Superintendent's Office - 008
Moore	Joseph	Resignation	Grier Middle School - 408
Morrow	Takasha	New Hire	Carr Elementary School - 344
Nabinett	Candace	Resignation	W.A. Bess Elementary School - 510
Nelson	Jennifer	Resignation	Stuart W. Cramer High School - 378
Palmer	Paulette	Resignation	Grier Middle School - 408
Parker	Sara	Resignation	Hunter Huss High School - 428
Payseur	Kelsey	New Hire	McAdenville Elementary School - 448
Pearson	Susan	New Hire	School Nutrition Department - 007
Pollit-Collier	Cindy	New Hire	John Chavis Middle School - 431
Pontz	Lindsay	Resignation	Stuart W. Cramer High - 378
Pope	Sallie	New Hire	Kiser Elementary School - 432
Potter	Sharon	New Hire	School Nutrition Department - 007
Ray	Taylor	New Hire	Brookside Elementary School - 340
Rice	Stewart	Resignation	North Gaston High School - 470
Robinson	Michael	Resignation	Carr Elementary School - 344
Rodden	Mary	New Hire	Pleasant Ridge Elementary - 480
Rohlman	Deborah	Resignation	Bessemer City High School - 336
Rouse	Abby	New Hire	Woodhill Elementary School - 520
Sadler	Cecil	Interim to Permanent	Robinson Elementary School - 488
Sadler	Mattie	New Hire	Webb Street School - 394
Shen	Sue	Interim to Permanent	Robinson Elementary School - 488
Shoats	Vivian	Resignation	Forestview High School - 396

Last Name	First Name	Category	School
Stackston	Sharon	New Hire	Webb Street School - 394
Taylor	Deborah	New Hire	School Nutrition Department - 007
Travis	Keith	New Hire	North Gaston High School - 470
Turner	Ashley	Dismissal	Brookside Elementary School - 340
Usery	Terry	New Hire	Superintendent's Office - 008
Warner	Sherry	Resignation	McAdenville Elementary School - 448
Washburn	Andrea	New Hire	Grier Middle School - 408
Whitesides	Jeffery	Resignation	North Gaston High School - 470
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Wolfson	Stephen	Resignation	Robinson Elementary School - 488
Wray	Bridget	New Hire	School Nutrition Department - 007

Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 1/14/2017

Agenda Item Title/Topic: Budget Amendments and Budget Transfers

Type of Item: Consent Action Information

Main Points:

Budget amendments are needed to adjust the budget to reflect actual changes in revenue and budget transfers are needed to transfer money to proper expenditure codes as requested by fund managers.

Fiscal Implications:

NA

Recommendation:

Approval of Budget Amendments and Budget Transfers

Policy Implications:

NA

Strategic Goal Alignment:

Goal 1. Every student will graduate prepared for post-secondary opportunities.

Submitted by: Gary Hoskins

Department: Finance

**Gaston County Schools
Changes in Appropriations**

**2016-2017 Budget Resolution
Transfers Between Functions**

State Public School Fund

Function	Description	Expense Increase	Expense Decrease
5100	Regular Instructional Services		252,779
5200	Special Population Services	27,100	
5300	Alternative Programs and Services	530,423	
5400	School Leadership Services	80,874	
5800	School-Based Support Services		318,378
6100	Support and Development Services		57,227
6200	Special Population Support and Development Services		5,659
6400	Technology Support Services		107,438
6500	Operational Support Services	170,214	
6600	Financial and Human Resource Services		79517
6700	Accountability Services		62
6800	System-Wide Pupil Support Services		11198
6900	Policy, Leadership and Communication/Public Information Services	22,848	
7200	Nutrition Services	800.29	
		832,259	832,259

Explanation: These transfers adjust budgeted amounts per requests from fund managers/principals.

**Gaston County Schools
Changes in Appropriations**

**2016-2017 Budget Resolution
Transfers Between Functions**

Local Current Expense Fund

Function	Description	Expense Increase	Expense Decrease
5100	Regular Instructional Services	23,788	
5200	Special Population Services	3,700	
5300	Alternative Programs and Services	408	
5400	School Leadership Services		2,894
5800	School-Based Support Services		1,812
6100	Support and Development Services		408
6200	Special Population Support and Development Services		200
6400	Technology Support Services		541
6500	Operational Support Services		34,861
6600	Financial and Human Resource Services	2,293	
6700	Accountability Services	10,000	
6900	Policy, Leadership and Communication/Public Information Services	527	
		<u>40,716</u>	<u>40,716</u>

Explanation: These transfers adjust budgeted amounts per requests from fund managers/principals.

**Gaston County Schools
Changes in Appropriations**

**2016-2017 Budget Resolution
Transfers Between Functions**

Federal Grants Fund

Function	Description	Expense Increase	Expense Decrease
5300	Alternative Programs and Services	1,389	
5800	School-Based Support Services	20	
6100	Support and Development Services	11,494	
6600	Financial and Human Resource Services		12,902
		<u>12,902</u>	<u>12,902</u>

Explanation: These transfers adjust budgeted amounts per requests from fund managers/principals.

**Gaston County Schools
Changes in Appropriations**

**2016-2017 Budget Resolution
Transfers Between Functions**

Restricted Grants Fund

Function	Description	Expense Increase	Expense Decrease
5100	Regular Instructional Services		422
5300	Alternative Programs and Services	422	
		<u>422</u>	<u>422</u>

Explanation: These transfers adjust budgeted amounts per requests from fund managers/principals.

**Gaston County Schools
Changes in Appropriations**

**2016-2017 Budget Resolution
Proposed Expenditures and Sources of Revenue**

State Public School Fund

#	Function	Description	Expense Increase (Decrease)	Revenue Increase (Decrease)
1	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		(183,669)
	5100	Regular Instructional Services	(183,669)	
		This amendment adjusts the Classroom Teacher allotment due to a reduction of ADM for FY17 (PRC001)		
2	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		9,914
	6500	Operational Support Services	9,914	
		This amendment adjusts the Non-Instructional Support Personnel allotment for additional funds received for FY17 (PRC003)		
3	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		(68,518)
	5300	Alternative Programs and Services	(68,518)	
		This amendment adjusts the Instructional Support allotment for reduction in funds for FY17 (PRC007)		
4	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		629
	5100	Regular Instructional Services	629	
		This amendment adjusts the CTE Program Support allotment for additional funds received for FY17 (PRC014)		
5	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		1,141
	5300	Alternative Programs and Services	1,141	
		This amendment adjusts the School Technology budget for additional funds received for FY17 (PRC015)		
5	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		82,080
	5300	Alternative Programs and Services	82,080	
		This amendment adjusts the Summer Reading Camps budget for additional funds received for FY17 (PRC016)		
6	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		(33,025)
	5100	Regular Instructional Services	(33,025)	
		This amendment adjusts the Teacher Assistant budget for reduction of funds for FY17 (PRC027)		

State Public School Fund

#	Function	Description	Expense Increase (Decrease)	Revenue Increase (Decrease)
7	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		(3,968)
	5200	Special Population Services	(3,968)	
		This amendment adjusts the Children with Special Needs budget for Head Count transfer reduction for FY17 (PRC032)		
8	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		269
	6500	Operational Support Services	269	
		This amendment adjusts the Compensation Bonus budget for YTD expenses for FY17 (PRC045)		
9	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		1,665,584
	6500	Operational Support Services	1,665,584	
		This amendment adjusts the Transportation of Pupils budget for additional funds received for FY17 (PRC056)		
10	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		210,410
	5200	Special Population Services	210,410	
		This amendment adjusts the Special Program - EC allotment for additional funds received for FY17 (PRC063)		
11	3100	Revenue - State Public School Fund		498,247
	5100	Regular Instructional Services	498,247	
		This amendment adjusts the Classroom Materials budget for the December ABC Waiver of funds from Textbooks for FY17 (PRC061)		
12	3200	Revenue - Other Funds		(502,353)
	5100	Regular Instructional Services	(502,353)	
		This amendment adjusts the State Textbook allotment for the December ABC Waiver of funds to Classroom Materials and ADM reduction for FY17 (PRC130)		
Total State Public School Fund Amendments			1,676,741	1,676,741

**Gaston County Schools
Changes in Appropriations**

**2016-2017 Budget Resolution
Proposed Expenditures and Sources of Revenue**

Local Current Expense Fund

#	Function	Description	Expense Increase (Decrease)	Revenue Increase (Decrease)
1	4400	Local Sources-Others Funds		5,172
	5100	Regular Instructional Services	5,172	
		This amendment adjusts the Charter School allotment for additional funds budgeted for FY17 (PRC036)		
2	4400	Local Sources-Other Funds		135,000
	4800	Local Sources-Restricted		1,000
	5100	Regular Instructional Services	135,000	
	5500	Co-Curricular Services	1,000	
		This amendment adjusts the Classroom Materials budget for Fines and Forfeitures for FY17 (PRC061)		
Total Local Current Expense Fund Account			141,172	141,172

**Gaston County Schools
Changes in Appropriations**

**2016-2017 Budget Resolution
Proposed Expenditures and Sources of Revenue**

Federal Grants Fund

#	Function	Description	Expense Increase (Decrease)	Revenue Increase (Decrease)
1	3600	Federal Revenue		15,000
	5200	Special Population Services	14,317	
	8100	Payments to Other Governmental Units	683	
	This amendment adjusts the IDEA VI, B State Improvement allotment for funds received for FY17 (PRC082)			
2	3600	Federal Revenue		(35,119)
	6600	Financial and Human Resource Services	(33,519)	
	8100	Payments to Other Governmental Units	(1,600)	
	This amendment adjusts the Title II, Part A budget for reduction of funds for FY17 (PRC103)			
3	3600	Federal Revenue		2,942
	5100	Regular Instructional Services	2,942	
	This amendment adjusts the Title III, Language Acquisition budget for additional funds for FY17 (PRC104)			
4	3600	Federal Revenue		7,000
	5200	Special Population Services	5,742	
	5300	Alternative Programs and Services	340	
	5800	School-Based Support Services	591	
	8100	Payments to Other Governmental Units	327	
	This amendment adjusts the IDEA VI, Special Needs Target Assistance budget for additional funds for FY17 (PRC118)			
5	3600	Federal Revenue		2,000
	5200	Special Population Services	1,909	
	8100	Payments to Other Governmental Units	91	
	This amendment adjusts the IDEA Targeted Assistance- Preschool budget for additional funds for FY17 (PRC119)			
Total Federal Grant Fund Amendments			(8,177)	(8,177)

**Gaston County Schools
Changes in Appropriations**

**2016-2017 Budget Resolution
Proposed Expenditures and Sources of Revenue**

Restricted Grants Fund

#	Function	Description	Expense Increase (Decrease)	Revenue Increase (Decrease)
1	4800	Local Sources - Restricted		1,000
	5100	Regular Instructional Services	1,000	
		This amendment budgets the Business Partnership funds received for FY17 (PRC539)		
2	4800	Local Sources - Restricted		26,595
	6300	Alternative Programs and Services Support	22,814	
	6500	Operational Support Services	3,781	
		This amendment budgets the LEAP Grant for funds received for FY17 (PRC585)		
3	4800	Local Sources - Restricted		150
	5400	School Leadership	150	
		This amendment budgets the Principal's Masters Fund for funds received for FY17 (PRC605)		
4	3200	Local Revenue-Other Funds		17,928
	5800	School-Based Support Services	17,928	
		This amendment budgets the School Nurse Funding for funds received for FY17 (PRC615)		
5	4800	Local Sources - Restricted		20,735
	5800	School-Based Support Services	20,735	
		This amendment budgets the Nurse from Gaston County DHHS Fund for funds received for FY17 (PRC617)		
6	4800	Local Sources - Restricted		13,406
	5800	School-Based Support Services	13,406	
		This amendment budgets the Caromont Nurse Fund for funds received for FY17 (PRC618)		
7	4800	Local Sources - Restricted		(171,783)
	6500	Operational Support Services	(171,783)	
		This amendment budgets the Insurance funds for reductions for FY17 (PRC840)		
8	4800	Local Sources - Restricted		2395
	6500	Operational Support Services	2395	
		This amendment budgets Maintenance for funds received for FY17 (PRC880)		
Total Restricted Grants Fund Amendments			<u>(89,574)</u>	<u>(89,574)</u>

Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 1/14/2017

Agenda Item Title/Topic: Construction/Repair Change Orders

Type of Item: **Consent** **Action** **Information**

Main Points:

The attached listing of construction and repair change orders were reviewed by the Operations Committee of the Board. Any change orders that were less than \$100,000 were approved by the Superintendent or his designee in accordance with Board Policy 9030. Change orders greater than \$100,000 should be approved by the Board.

Fiscal Implications:

All change orders were properly prefunded prior to approval.

Recommendation:

Approval

Policy Implications:

Board Policy 9030.

Strategic Goal Alignment:

Other: Policy or Gen Statute. See above.

Submitted by: Gary F. Hoskins, CFO

Department: Finance

GCS CHANGE ORDER NOTIFICATION

In accordance with GCS Board Policy 9030 - Facility Construction, all construction and repair change orders approved by the Superintendent shall be reported to the Board. The change orders listed below were approved by the Superintendent, or his designee, since the previous Board meeting.

Presented to BOE	Contractor's Name	Project name	Description of Change	Contract Amount	Change Order Amount
1-14-17	Beam Construction Company	Pleasant Ridge Elementary	CO#11 - Add a mechanical penthouse on roof (covered in allowances)	\$20,527,700	\$4,758
1-14-17	Beam Construction Company	Pleasant Ridge Elementary	CO#12 - Undecut and replacement of unsuitable soils - Calendar adjustment	\$20,527,700	\$316,230

Agenda Item

Meeting Date: 1/14/2017

Agenda Item Title/Topic: Contracts and Expenditures >\$100,000

Type of Item: Consent Action Information

Main Points:

The attached listing of contracts and expenditures over \$100,000 was reviewed by the Operations Committee and recommended for approval by the Board.

Fiscal Implications:

All contracts and expenditures will be paid using bond funding, capital proceeds or operational savings.

Recommendation:

Approval

Policy Implications:

Board Policy 8640

Strategic Goal Alignment:

Other: Policy or Gen Statute. See above.

Submitted by: Gary F. Hoskins, CFO

Department: Finance and Operations

**Gaston County Board of Education
Summary of Contracts and Expenditures
January 14, 2017**

On January 9, 2017, the Operations Committee of the Board of Education reviewed the following contracts and expenditures and recommended that they be approved by the Board of Education:

- a. Meteor – Furniture/Graphics Pleasant Ridge - \$1,028,533 (est.)
- b. Meteor – Marker Wall Pleasant Ridge - \$165,594
- c. Meteor – Furniture/Graphics Stanley Middle - \$1,296,508 (est.)
- d. Meteor – Marker Wall Stanley Middle - \$111,003
- e. CNIC, Inc. – Cabling for Communications, Data, Camera and Intercom at Pleasant Ridge - \$200,319
- f. CNIC, Inc. – Cabling for Communications, Data, Camera and Intercom at Stanley - \$148,384
- g. Educon – Energy Management and Conservation Program - \$194,400
- h. A&W Electric, Inc. – Data Center Electrical Upgrade - \$134,625
- i. Ronco Specialized - South Point Intercom System - \$132,518