



Charlotte, North Carolina
October 10, 2000

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION

A Regular Meeting of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education was held on October 10, 2000 in the Board Room of the Education Center. The meeting began at 6:00 p.m. and was televised by CMS Channel 21 television. Following the Regular Meeting, a Closed Session was held in Room 408 of the Education Center.

Board Members Present: Arthur Griffin, Jr., Chairperson;
John Lassiter, Vice Chairperson;
Wilhelmenia Rembert, Member at Large;
Jim Puckett (District 1); Vilma Leake (District 2);
George Dunlap (District 3); Louise Woods (District 4);
Molly Griffin (District 5); Lindalyn Kakadelis (District 6)

Board Members Absent: None

Also present at the request of the Board were Eric J. Smith, Superintendent; James L. Pughsley, Deputy Superintendent; Greg Clemmer, Associate Superintendent for Operations; Frances Haithcock, Associate Superintendent for Education Services; other members of Senior Staff; Leslie Winner, General Counsel; James L. Clark, Executive Director for Administration; and Carole Hamrick, Manager for Board Services, serving as Clerk.

Call to Order

Chairperson Griffin called the Regular Meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Griffin called upon Dr. Leake for recognition of Linda Morris, principal at Barringer Academic Center, as winner of the National Distinguished Principal of the Year. Dr. Morris has been selected as one of 65 elementary and middle school principals from across the nation to earn the distinction of National Distinguished Principal. The award, which is presented by the US Department of Education and the National Association of Elementary School Principals, honors principals who set high standards for the pace,

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character and quality of education their students receive. Dr. Morris joined the other winners selected to represent their state on October 6, 2000 at an awards ceremony in Washington, DC. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley presented the awards.

The National Distinguished Principal Program was established in 1984 to promote educational excellence for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade schooling. Principals are nominated for the award by their peers at the state level, and selection is based on criteria suggested by the US Department of Education. Individuals nominated must demonstrate the following:

- Commitment to excellence
- Development of programs designed to meet the academic and social needs of all children
- Firm ties to parents and the community

Since 1995, Dr. Morris has served as the principal of Barringer Academic Center. Under her leadership, the school has received the School of Excellence distinction for four consecutive years through the NC ABC Program. This distinction is given to schools with at least 90% of their students performing on grade level in reading and math. In 1999-2000, the school's students earned a Level III or IV on the EOG tests.

Barringer Academic Center also recently received accolades as one of 11 schools in the state to named an Entrepreneurial School by Gov. Hunt. The school was chosen from among 100 applicants for this prestigious honor. Dr. Morris will attend a recognition dinner on November 17 in Raleigh for this award.

Today's principals face an endless list of challenges. As Charlotte-Mecklenburg continues to raise standards for student learning and schools seek to find talented and qualified teachers, the principal's job becomes even more demanding. Dr. Morris has faced these challenges head on and her strategies and successes should be shared.

Dr. Leake presented Dr. Morris with a certificate of appreciation from the Board of Education. Dr. Morris responded that this has been a great and humbling experience for her. She also said that the interaction with principals across the nation has been wonderful.

In a second recognition item, Mr. Griffin called upon Ms. Kakadelis to recognize Sheryn Northey, a teacher at Northwest School of the Arts, as an attendee at the first-ever "Teaching American About Accomplished Teaching." Ms. Northey was among the 60 participants in the first-ever "teaching American About Accomplished Teaching" project. A National Board Certified Teacher since 1997 in the field of Early Adolescent English and Language, Ms. Northey will take a lead role in making presentations and providing information to the community about the role of quality teachers in promoting student learning. In preparation to share this vital issue with the community, Ms. Northey attended a project forum in Utah in August. The forum reinforced the important issue of teacher quality. A 1999 research report of the US Department of Education Initiative on

Teaching found that the quality of teaching in our schools is the most important in-school factor for improving student achievement and success.

Ms. Northey achieved the advanced certification offered by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) by completing a voluntary process documenting how her teaching met the high and rigorous standards set by NBPTS. The organization is working to certify all teachers who meet the standards.

The Teaching America About Accomplished Teaching project is supported by the Rockefeller Foundation and coordinated by NBPTS. It provides resources and support to teachers like Ms. Northey who have achieved the National Board Certification and who have made a year long commitment to spread the work about the value of teaching.

Ms. Northey was unable to attend the Board meeting; Dr. Haithcock accepted her certificate of appreciation from the Board members.

Mr. Griffin commented that CMS is second only to Los Angeles in the number of nationally certified teachers. The process for the 2000-01 National Board Certification is currently in progress. Mr. Griffin also suggested that similar recognitions should be made for other staff positions in the system.

Action Items

Approval of Administrative Personnel

Mr. Griffin called upon Dr. Smith for presentation of administrative personnel for approval. The Superintendent presented Lu Ellen Poole Richard as Executive Director of Accounting. Ms. Richard holds a BS in Business Management, cum laude, from Gardner-Webb University in Boiling Springs, NC. She is also a licensed CPA. Her work experience includes employment with Novant Health in Charlotte, NC, since 1987. Her positions there have included Accounting Manager, Senior Accountant, and Staff Accountant. She also previously worked for McRae Industries in Mt. Gilead, NC, as a Staff Accountant. **On motion by Mr. Puckett and seconded by Dr. Rembert, the Board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Ms. Richard of Executive Director of Accounting.**

Dr. Smith presented Scott Trevor McCully as Executive Director of Student Placement. Mr. McCully holds a BA in Public Administration from Washburn University in Topeka, Kansas. He is currently working on his graduate students at the Kansas State University. Mr. McCully is currently employed as Director of Planning in the Topeka Public Schools in Topeka, Kansas. He has also held the position of Demographic Specialist for the Topeka Public School System and the position of Planner II for the Shawnee County Metropolitan Planning Agency in Topeka, Kansas. **On motion by Ms. Griffin and seconded by Ms. Kakadelis, the Board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Mr. McCully as Executive Director of Student Placement.**

Approval of proclamation for *Family Involvement Month*

Haywood Homsley, Director of Family Services, presented the following proclamation for approval:

Proclamation Family Involvement Month

Whereas, research has shown that students perform best when they receive encouragement and educational support from their parents; and

Whereas, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System through its Goals 2001 states its commitment to high student achievement and recognizes the important connection between parent involvement and student achievement; and

Whereas, the State of North Carolina is committed to improving education for all children; and

Whereas, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System encourages parental involvement in the activities of children at school and parental support of learning; and

Whereas, the National and local PTA council and Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools will focus on supporting effective involvement in every school by utilizing the National Standards for Parent/Family Involvement; and

Whereas, the National Standards for Parent/Family Involvement are communicating, parenting, student learning, volunteerism, school decision making, advocacy and collaborating with community; and

Whereas, citizens, business, civic and faith community leaders have expressed the desire to become more involved in supporting families and helping children succeed.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed, that the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education does hereby declare the month of October as *Family Involvement Month* in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools and asks all parents and community members to show support for children and families during this month.

On motion by Ms. Woods and seconded by Mr. Puckett, the Board voted unanimously to proclaim October as *Family Involvement Month*.

Approval of Double Oaks Land Swap

The Superintendent called upon Haywood Homsley for this item. The Charlotte Housing Authority is developing a new project in Fairview Homes, adjacent to Double Oaks School. The proposed project requires CMBE and CHA to exchange certain land. The

key provisions of the Contract for Exchange of Land are as follows:

- CMS conveys approximately .8 acres to CHA and receives approximately 1.9 acres from CHA;
- 60 days due diligence period for both CHA and CMBE; during which time either party may terminate the contract;
- Obligations of CHA and CMBE are conditioned upon the parties mutually agreeing to a lease agreement for a proposed community center building to be located upon the 1.9 acres to be conveyed to CMBE; and
- Obligations of CMBE and CHA are conditioned upon required approvals of the Planning Commission, County Commissioners and HUD.

Von Gore from the Charlotte Housing Authority, Mark Van Stickle and Miles Bane from the Bank of America were recognized to make a presentation and to answer questions from Board members.

Ms. Gore stated this exchange of land would support the Hope VI project in Fairview Homes. This grant is competitive and provides the necessary funding for renovations to address the needs of public housing in this area of Charlotte. All current families in the Fairview Homes will be relocated within two weeks and development of the property will begin. The Housing Authority works with the families of Fairview Homes and as well as with the development of the new project.

Mr. Van Stickle stated that the potential land swap between CMBE and CHA would benefit Double Oaks pre-k site as well. It will not impact the school site. It will allow for mixed use of the land.

On motion by Dr. Leake and seconded by Ms. Kakadelis, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Land Swap with the Charlotte Housing Authority.

Mr. Griffin said to add this venture to our joint-use list. Ms. Woods asked if the CHA would continue to work with CMS to place children, as committed by CMS, to attend schools in the Village. Ms. Gore responded that residents select the community they want to live in and then the CHA does assist the families to find their school assignments.

Approval of two members to the Bond Oversight Committee

Mr. Puckett presented the name of Tom Davis to represent District I, replacing retiring member Ed Kania. Dr. Leake presented the name of John Hairston to represent District II, replacing retiring member Almeda Rippey. **On motion by Mr. Lassiter and seconded by Dr. Rembert, Tom Davis and John Hairston were unanimously approved to represent the Board of Education on the Bond Oversight Committee.** The Board office will send certificates of appreciation to both Mr. Kanis and Ms. Rippey for the dedicated service to the Board.

Consent Agenda

On motion by Dr. Rembert and seconded by Ms. Griffin, the motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda. Dr. Leake had a question about item III.B.2 about the work being done at West Charlotte High School. Mr. Clemmer responded that the air conditioning/heating systems were being replaced. **The Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.**

The Board approved the following minutes:

- September 26, 2000 Open Session
- September 26, 2000 Closed Session
- September 26, 2000 Regular Meeting
- September 26, 2000 Closed Session
- December 14, 1999 Regular Meeting
- November 23, 1999 Regular Meeting
- October 6, 1999 Special Meeting
- August 10, 1999 Regular Meeting

The Board approved the following construction items:

Design contract for Plaza Road Pre-school. Contract will provide design and construction administration services for the mechanical and plumbing systems. Total use of funds is \$1,076,000 and source of funds will be from 1997 Bond monies.

Design contract for West Charlotte High School. Contract will provide design and construction administration services for the mechanical system. Total use of funds is \$43,000 and source of funds is Capital Replacement.

Authorization for the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent in consultation with the Board Chairperson, or, in his absence, the Vice-Chairperson, to award construction contracts and additional construction services for the new North and Southwest High Schools until the next Board of Education meeting scheduled on October 24, 2000. Modification of current construction contracts and additional construction services procedures to provide the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent authorization to award construction services during the period of October 10, 2000 to October 24, 2000. The awards would be made provided the amounts are within the approved project budgets and meet necessary criteria. Projects awarded would be brought back to the BOE for information and ratification at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

The Board approved the following requests for student reassignment:

The Board approved 14 requests for reassignment in Category I. The Board denied 12 requests for reassignment in Category II. There were no requests for reassignment in Category III.

The Board approved the resolution approving site master plan, certain easements that may be required in connection with the master plan, campus name and authorizing other official action in connection with the Southpark Campus Group. The Board had previously heard a presentation from a task force of citizens known as the Southpark Group concerning plans to make certain improvements to three adjoining school campuses of Myers Park High School, Alexander Graham Middle School and Selwyn Elementary School. The resolution is as follows:

Resolution approving site master plan, certain easements that may be required in connection with the master plan, campus name and authorizing other official action in connection with the project

Whereas, The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education (the "Board of Education"), and a task force of citizens known as the "Southpark Group" have agreed to cooperate in a plan to make certain improvements to three adjoining school campuses known as Myers Park High School, Alexander Graham Middle School and Selwyn Elementary School as generally shown in that certain "Southpark Campus Partnership Master Plan" (the "Master Plan");

Whereas, the Master Plan has been presented at this meeting; and

Whereas, the improvements contemplated by the Master Plan will be funded entirely by private donations, Mecklenburg County (through its Park and Recreation Department) and the City of Charlotte.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Education:

1. The Master Plan is hereby approved and improvements as described therein may be constructed in substantial accordance with the Master Plan.
2. Easements to the City of Charlotte for sidewalks and protected buffer areas along existing creek ("SWIM" buffers) as may be reasonably required to implement the Master Plan are hereby approved, specific agreements to be in form and substance satisfactory to the Superintendent, or designee, and legal counsel for the Board of Education.
3. The naming of the three schools collectively as the "Southpark Campus" is hereby approved.
4. The officers and employees of the Board of Education, as designated by the Superintendent, are authorized to take such other actions and to execute and deliver other documents, agreements and other instruments at they, with the advice of counsel, may deem necessary or appropriate to implement and construct the project substantially in accordance with the Master Plan.

Reports/Information Items

Construction Update

Mr. Griffin called upon Dr. Smith for this presentation. Dr. Smith recognized Louis Mosley who stated that the health of construction projects is excellent. The Capital Improvements Projects have been developed around five phases, prioritized and ranked according to need. Phases 1 – 3 are underway. Funding for these projects are from 1996 and 1997 Bond monies and have been allocated. 57 school sites are currently under major construction initiatives; 39 of these projects are in the construction phase; 18 of these projects are in the design phase. There were 29 projects completed this summer. The new school sites (6) are on schedule to open next school year in addition to the renovations in other schools that will be completed by next school year. Minority/women businesses make up 14% of the contractors involved in the building processes. Challenges continue to impact the building processes. Mr. Mosley stated that CMS would meet the challenges and CIP endeavors will be completed on schedule. He stressed the need to continue to have the support and clear direction from the Board.

Discussion and Questions from Board Members

Mr. Puckett asked if the six schools cited by Mr. Mosley would open on time. Mr. Mosely responded they would. Dr. Smith gave credit to Building Services and the staff for their efforts and cooperation.

Dr. Leake expressed her appreciation and asked about the opening of the Technical/Vocational High School. Mr. Mosley responded that school is scheduled to open in 2002.

Mr. Dunlap commented that the approval of Bond monies means we can proceed with its use. He asked about generating the interest from the Bond monies to reduce the debt service and increase our building program. Mr. Griffin replied there is a legal issue from funding received from Mecklenburg County and that any interest would go to the County. Dr. Smith stated that we may use the Bond monies as we need it; therefore, CMBE doesn't incur debt until we actually need the money. CMBE does not sell Bonds; funding comes from the County. Mr. Lassiter commented that when we ask for monies it is transferred to the CMBE. The County borrows the money only when the CMBE asks for it.

Ms. Woods thanks the employees of CMS for pulling together to help children. She asked the Superintendent what the current plans are to evaluate the successes or problems encountered by the schools during the construction phases. Dr. Smith replied there is continuous feedback from the building principals to Building Services. Mr. Mosley stated there is an evaluation at the end of each project. Ms. Woods asked when the media center at Eastway Middle School would be useable. Mr. Mosely replied January 1, 2001. Dr. Smith commented it is vitally important to keep in front of the Board of Education

and the County the use of portable classrooms in order to provide the needed classroom space during renovation projects.

Ms. Griffin asked about the status of work for Carmel Middle School using the 1996 Bond monies. Mr. Mosely replied that is under analysis at this time. There are some issues at Carmel that have required Building Services to re-access the existing conditions. Ms. Griffin asked that she be kept informed. Dr. Smith replied that this speaks to the need to renovation monies because we sometimes find surprises when we go into older buildings for renovation projects.

Ms. Kakadelis asked if we were on time for the Phase IV and V schools. Mr. Mosley replied that we are on schedule. Ms. Kakadelis asked about the scope of a project when the money exceeded the project. Dr. Smith replied that the Board of Education must approve any project when that happens. Ms. Kakadelis asked for a list of these projects and Dr. Smith replied that this list will be provided from time to time. He further suggested this would be a good project for the Bond Oversight Committee to handle.

Mr. Griffin commented on the excellent report brought forward by Mr. Mosley.

Update on Planning Commission activities as related to the Board of Education

Mr. Griffin called upon Dr. Smith for this report. Dr. Smith introduced Bernie Johnson, one of two representatives appointed by the Board to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Johnson shared that the City Council adopted the Westside Strategic Plan on June 12, 2000 and the public meeting for the Board of County Commissioners was held on August 15. At this meeting, the County Commission also voted unanimously to adopt the plan. The plan is currently being revised to include Council's recommended changes and/or additions. The final document should be printed by mid-October. A recommendation is that a school setting such as the Village be considered for location on the westside. Mr. Johnson also shared how excited the westside is about the Technical/Vocational High School being built in this area of town. The I-485/Dixie Berryhill Study is progressing to address how this area can be linked to and compliment development of a rapid transit system for the westside. A technical team has been formed and the first meeting was held on August 17. Eric Becoats is the school system's representative on the stakeholder group. Mr. Johnson also commented on the re-zoning issues always going on in Mecklenburg County. He also discussed the taxing authority and commented that the Planning Commission does not see any problems with the proposed tax amendments. Joint use is also an item of interest to the Planning Commission as is the design of schools. He encouraged close proximity of schools in the urban areas of each corridor.

Discussion and Questions from Board Members

Mr. Griffin thanked Mr. Johnson for his report. There is a clear need to work on the zoning issues in order to open schools on time for 2001. Mr. Johnson replied there is an early need to know about school openings so that zoning variances can be worked

through. Mr. Griffin replied that Mr. Becoats, Mr. Bringewatt and Dr. Smith would work closely with Mr. Johnson to be sure he knew which sites would be opening in 2001.

Dr. Rembert asked about the rotation between the planning and zoning boards for Mr. Johnson and Mr. Michael Bruno (the second representative from the CMBE on the Planning Commission). Mr. Johnson replied that one or the other of them are on the planning and zoning boards at all times.

Ms. Woods commented that her expectation for Mr. Johnson and Mr. Bruno is for them to advise the Board on new developments that might impact the schools. The sharing of information is critical for decisions the Board must make.

Government Center Project

Dr. Smith told the Board he has been asked for feedback from the County on the above project. He introduced Rene Castaldi, an architect from the CMS Building Services Department, who has been working on this project. Ms. Castaldi pointed out the difference on the maps provided to the Board was the question of the location of the school facility. (Map is attached and made a part of these minutes). Dr. Smith pointed out the locations on the map for Board members for the school facility – one location inside the government complex; one location outside the government complex. The key question, per the Superintendent, is if the project proceeds and the Board decides to participate, where will the school facility be located.

Discussion and Questions from Board Members

Mr. Griffin stated there are a number of questions relative to this project yet to be answered.

Mr. Dunlap agreed with Mr. Griffin that there are a number of unanswered questions about this project to be answered before moving forward with participation from the Board. He suggested that a special meeting/work session should be held to ascertain answers to the questions. Dr. Smith responded that a meeting/work session could certainly be scheduled.

Ms. Woods asked about the amount of money involved in the sale of the Education Center. She also stated that Metro School needs to be centrally located for the children of Mecklenburg County. It is difficult to know whether the Board wishes to participate in this project, she said, until we know about the financial ramifications.

Mr. Puckett suggested a special meeting/work session on this subject. He questioned whether the Education Center should be located in a high-rent district and central Charlotte location. He suggested looking outside of the center city.

Ms. Kakadelis, too, suggested a work session.

Mr. Lassiter asked who was working on this project. Mr. Clemmer replied that it involved the City and County Managers, the Superintendent, and architects from all three staffs. They are seeking input from all potentially involved entities. Dr. Smith commented that other entities were initially involved but have declined to participate.

Mr. Griffin stated that CMS must be fully aware of the full scope of the project before any decision for participation will be made. He encouraged the entities involved to make CMS a part of the deliberations. The Board will make the decision on whether to participate or not. Further study is required, he stated, to enable the Board to make an informed decision.

Mr. Lassiter stated that at some point there would need to be a financing discussion because the school district, unlike other entities, will have to raise the money for this project.

Recognition of Boy Scout Troop #19

Ms. Woods recognized Boy Scout Troop #19 from the Huntersville Methodist Church. Their troop leader is Larry Banks. Mr. Dunlap commented that he saw two of his DARE students in the group.

Report/First Reading on the proposed policy FF, Naming Facilities

Ms. Woods presented the first reading on the above policy.

Report/First Reading on the proposed policy DJ, Purchasing/Contracting

Ms. Woods presented the first reading on the above policy.

Discussion and Questions from Board Members

Ms. Woods asked that Board members get their questions and/or suggested revisions to her or Sarah Crowder, Policy Administrator, as soon as possible to enable the Policy Committee to make the necessary changes. The proposed policies will be available on the CMS web site and at public libraries.

Requests from the Public

Before the requests from the public were heard, there was discussion among Board members regarding the time limits for individual speakers and those speakers representing groups. The suggestion was made by Dr. Rembert to have placed on the agenda for the Policy Committee as a priority item when to hear the requests from the public. Mr. Griffin suggested to Board members to forward their suggestions to Ms. Woods for the Policy Committee.

James McRavion – A parent of a first time middle school student, he is concerned about the lack of supplies and textbooks at Ranson Middle School. He stated that it was difficult for teachers to teach without the necessary supplies. He also questioned the educational value for children who do not have the necessary textbooks.

Nancy Stroud – President of the Crown Jewels Chapter of Links, Inc. She spoke in support of the Bonds in particular and children in general. Now is not the time to say no, she stated. It is time to say yes.

Joyce Woodard – President of the Charlotte Chapter of Links, Inc. She spoke in support of the Bonds. Facilities and materials must be equitable for all children, she stated.

Denise Palm-Beck – Parent of a North Mecklenburg IB student. She represents the PTA Council and read a resolution that supports the Bonds. The PTA Executive Board is encouraging each PTA unit and the community at-large to support the Bonds.

Elizabeth Grillo – Ms. Grillo thanked the Board for the assignment of the Billingsville Montessori Program to the Grier Road elementary school site and then to Highland Elementary School once renovations are completed. She encouraged the Board to continue their support for those renovations.

Report from Board Members

Dr. Leake thanked educators for their support of the Bond program. She also commented on the excellent presentation by Nora Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Public Information, at the CUBE Conference in Las Vegas. She stated that a husband and wife teaching team in CMS, the Cottles, are excellent teachers. One teaches at Sedgfield Middle School and the other at Randolph Middle School.

Mr. Dunlap reminded his district of their District III meeting on October 17 at 6:30 p.m. at Devonshire Elementary School

Ms. Woods was at Eastway Middle School on Saturday and commended the staff, parents and the community for their involvement. She encouraged staff to continue to look at differentiated staffing and class size for next year. Ms. Woods reminded the Board about the Crop Walk to be held on Sunday, October 15, beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Ms. Kakadelis congratulated Mr. Griffin and Ms. Carr on their presentations at the CUBE Conference.

Dr. Rembert also thanked Ms. Carr for her excellent presentation. She also expressed thanks to Dr. Smith, Rahman Khan and Haywood Homsley for their support to the Links organization on the Bond issues.

Mr. Puckett commented on his trip to New York for the financial conference.

Dr. Leake reminded the Board about her District II Festival on Saturday, October 21st, at West Charlotte High School from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon

Report from the Superintendent

Dr. Smith acknowledged this is Ms. Winner's last official Board meeting as General Counsel. He expressed his appreciation to her for the many services she has provided to staff, all employees of the school district, and the Board. Ms. Winner replied that it has been a great honor for her to work for the school district.

Pursuant to NC General Statutes § 143-318.11(a)(3) to preserve the attorney client privilege concerning the handling of potential claims by and against the Board; pursuant to NC General Statutes § 143-318.11(a)(3) to consult with counsel concerning Fraher v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education and Swann, Cappachhione and Grant v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education; and pursuant to NC General Statutes § 143-318.11(a)(6) to discuss a matter of related to personnel, **Dr. Rembert moved and Dr. Leake seconded for the Board to move into Closed Session. The motion was unanimous.**

Adjournment

The Board adjourned to Closed Session in Room 408 at 8:25 p.m.

At 10:00 p.m., during the Closed Session, the **Board voted unanimously to move into Open Session.**

The Superintendent asked the Board to respond to him in terms of compliance with the direction given to him from the Board upon the adoption of the June 1st Student Assignment Plan.

At 10:02 p.m., pursuant to NC General Statutes § 143-318.11(a)(6) to discuss a personnel matter, **Mr. Puckett moved and Dr. Leake seconded that the Board go into Closed Session. The vote was unanimous.**

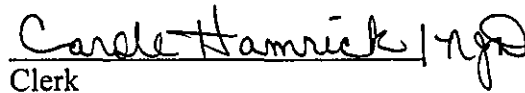
At 11:15 p.m., **Mr. Lassiter moved and Ms. Griffin seconded the motion that the Board go into Open Session. The motion passed 8-1. Mr. Puckett moved and Ms. Kakdelis seconded that the Board agenda be amended in order for the Superintendent to be given further directives regarding the June 1st Student Assignment Plan. The motion passed 8-1. Mr. Lassiter moved and Ms. Griffin seconded the motion to direct the Superintendent to continue to move forward with planning and execution of the June 1st resolution subject to the limitations of the June 1st plan.**

After discussion of the motion, the motion passed 8-1. Voting in favor of the motion were Mr. Lassiter, Dr. Rembert, Mr. Puckett, Dr. Leake, Mr. Dunlap, Ms. Woods, Ms. Griffin and Ms. Kakadelis. Mr. Griffin voted against the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 11: 25 p.m.



Chairperson



Clerk