

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
Thursday, August 27, 2009**

1 The Cumberland County Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009, in the Central Office Board Room where the meeting was called to order by Chairman Parris at the approximate hour of 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Parris, Schlafer, Scarbrough  
Hyder, Janeway, Houston  
Blalock, Randolph  
Colton Hood, SMHS Student Rep

**ABSENT:** Smith  
Camera (PTO/PTA Rep)  
Timson (CCEA Rep)

**COUNSEL:** Mr. Earl Patton

2 **Welcome to Visitors:** Chairman Parris welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3 **Moment of Silence**

4 **Pledge to Flag:** Colton Hood, SMHS Student Rep, led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5 **Special Recognition: Phoenix School** (See Exhibit #2) Principal Rocco Zazzaro gave a very comprehensive and interesting report on the Phoenix School. In the 2008-09 school year, there were 123 total graduates from the Phoenix School. There are 109 students anticipated to graduate this year. This is a very successful school program.

6 **Roll Call:** (See above)

7 **Approval of Minutes of July 23, 2009 and August 17, 2009**

**1. July 23, 2009:** Janeway made and Houston seconded a motion to approve the minutes of 7-23-09 as presented.

**VOICE VOTE:** Janeway (mover-yes)  
Houston (seconder-yes)  
All ayes

**MOTION:** Carried unanimously

**2. August 17, 2009:** Randolph made and Janeway seconded a motion to approve the minutes of 8-17-09 as presented.

**VOICE VOTE:** Randolph (mover-yes)  
Janeway (seconder-yes)  
All ayes

**MOTION:** Carried unanimously

8 **Approval of Agenda:** (See Exhibit #1) Schlafer made and Randolph seconded a motion to approve the agenda as per Exhibit #1

**VOICE VOTE:** Schlafer (mover-yes)  
Randolph (seconder-yes)  
All ayes

**MOTION:** Carried unanimously

9 **Community Comments:** (None)

10 **School Board Reports**

A. **TLN Report:** (See Exhibit #3) Schlafer reported that he had attended the National School Board's Association meeting in New Orleans from August 20<sup>th</sup> through August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009. He gave an interesting account of the meeting, along with some very noteworthy ideas that were discussed - one being the concept of Mayors taking over the governing of our schools and eliminating school boards. This concept must be watched carefully.

11 **Legal Report**

A. **Release and Transfer Agreement with Tansi Waste Management, Inc.** (See Exhibit #4) After comments and a recommendation from Mr. Patton not to hurriedly jump into approving this agreement, since the Tansi Waste Management, Inc. will be a privately-owned entity, Blalock made and Scarbrough seconded a motion to table this issue until further information can be gathered regarding costs and savings.

**VOICE VOTE:**        **Blalock (mover-yes)**  
                              **Scarbrough (seconder-yes)**  
                              **All ayes**

**MOTION:**            **Carried unanimously**

12 **Director of Schools Report**

A. **Approval of 2009-10 System Testing Coordinator:** (See Exhibit #5) Schlafer made and Randolph seconded a motion to approve Mr. Bruce Simmons as the Testing Coordinator for 2009-10 as per Exhibit #5.

**VOICE VOTE:**    **Schlafer (mover-yes)**  
                              **Randolph (seconder-yes)**  
                              **All ayes**

**MOTION:**            **Carried unanimously**

B. **Approval of 2009-10 Student Disciplinary Hearing Authority:** (See Exhibit #6) Randolph made and Hyder seconded a motion to allow Mr. Zazzaro to appoint Scott Hull, Lisa Phillips, Bruce Simmons, Chris King, Keena Inman and Bobbie Parker as members of the Disciplinary Hearing Authority as per Exhibit #6.

**VOICE VOTE:**    **Randolph (mover-yes)**  
                              **Hyder (seconder-yes)**  
                              **All ayes**

**MOTION:**            **Carried unanimously**

C. **Approval of 2009-10 Annual Planning Calendar:** (See Exhibit #7) Janeway made and Blalock seconded a motion to approve the Annual Planning Calendar as per Exhibit #7.

**VOICE VOTE:**    **Janeway (mover-yes)**  
                              **Blalock (seconder-yes)**  
                              **All ayes**

**MOTION:**            **Carried unanimously**

D. **Approval of 2009-10 12-Month Agenda:** (See Exhibit #8) Schlafer made and Randolph seconded a motion to approve the 12-month agenda as per Exhibit #8.

**VOICE VOTE:**    **Schlafer (mover-yes)**  
                              **Randolph (seconder-yes)**

**MOTION:** All ayes  
Carried unanimously

**E. Approval of 2009-10 Long Term Maintenance Plan:** (See Exhibit #9)  
Janeway made and Schlafer seconded a motion to approve the 2009-10 Long Term Maintenance Plan as per Exhibit #9.

**VOICE VOTE:** Janeway (mover-yes)  
Schlafer (seconder-yes)  
All ayes

**MOTION:** Carried unanimously.

**F. Approval of 2009-10 Facilities and Maintenance Plan:** (See Exhibit #10)  
Janeway made and Hyder seconded a motion to approve the Facilities and Maintenance Plan for 2009-10 as per Exhibit #10.

**VOICE VOTE:** Janeway (mover-yes)  
Hyder (seconder-yes)  
All ayes

**MOTION:** Carried unanimously

**G. Approval of 2009-10 TCAP Testing Window:** (See Exhibit #11) Ms. Vanwinkle stated that the State Department has notified her that the TCAP testing window has been changed to being given after the spring break instead of before the spring break. This won't change anything about when students will come to school; it just changes when they will be taking the tests. (The tests will be given four days after the spring break instead of the week before the spring break.) Further discussion was had. Schlafer made and Houston seconded a motion to approve the changing of the Testing Window for TCAP's as presented by the State Department of Education as per Exhibit #11.

**VOICE VOTE:** Schlafer (mover-yes)  
Houston (seconder-yes)  
7-ayes, Randolph (no)

**MOTION:** Carried (7-yes, 1-no)

**H. Approval of PrePACT Authorization for Boiler at CCHS:** (See Exhibit #12) Ms. VanWinkle stated that it is in the Energy Efficient Schools Project with TRANE to replace this boiler, so instead of repairing it, they have agreed to do a Pre-PACT agreement and get it completed before cold weather arrives. If the contract is not signed with TRANE, then the boiler must be paid for by the board. Blalock made and Schlafer seconded a motion to approve this PrePACT authorization as per Exhibit #12. In discussion, Ms. VanWinkle stated that a new boiler will be installed; this one was installed in 1982. The new boiler will also be a different type of heating system and much more heat-efficient, which is the type of heat that TRANE has recommended.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Blalock (mover-yes)  
Scarborough (seconder-yes)  
Randolph (yes), Schlafer (yes)  
Hyder (yes), Janeway (yes)  
Houston (yes), Chairman Parris (yes)  
Hood (yes)

**MOTION:** Carried unanimously

**I. FYI:** (See Exhibit #13) Ms. VanWinkle briefly went over the items in the FYI packet. Regarding the flu letter in the FYI packet, Ms. VanWinkle

stated that the new version of the letter will be sent to all parents. Even the schools that had sent out the old version have since replaced it with the new version.

**13 School Board Committees**

**A. Committee Reports**

- 1. Planning and Growth Committee:** Scarbrough reported that this committee met on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. The new proposed urban growth boundaries were discussed, and letters are being sent out to affected property owners; public meetings will be scheduled in the near future.

**14 Business Manager Report:**

- A. YTD Financial Report:** (See Exhibit #14) Ms. Randol reported that the Local Option Sales Tax for 2008-09 did not meet the goal; it was only at 98.2%. That has increased this year to \$7.5 Million. The actual Revenues for 2008/09 are 101%. In Expenditures, every series was in the 90 percentile other than Capital Outlay, which was at 75.18%. The sewer project came in lower than anticipated, and also there was a reimbursement from the County Building Fund for some construction of the Phoenix School. The total amount used from Fund Balance was \$374,294.59. Ms. VanWinkle stated that we will be very careful and try to stay within the budget in order to save the Fund Balance for emergencies that could occur.

- B. Monthly Financial Report:** (See Exhibit #15) Ms. Randol stated that there are no property taxes this month. Revenues for July were \$81,946.17, while Expenditures were \$1,437,810.54, which means the Fund Balance has been dipped into considerably. BEP has been received in August.

**15 Approval of Central Cafeteria Fund Resolutions:** (See Exhibit #16) Blalock made and Randolph seconded a motion to approve both Central Cafeteria Fund Resolutions as per Exhibit #16.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Blalock (mover-yes)  
Randolph (seconder-yes)  
Schlafer (yes), Scarbrough (yes)  
Janeway (yes), Hyder (yes)  
Houston (yes), Chairman Parris (yes)  
Hood (abstain)

**MOTION:** Carried unanimously

**16 Approval of 2009-2010 Extended Contract Program Proposal:** (See Exhibit #17) Schlafer made and Blalock seconded a motion to approve the Extended Contract Program Proposal as per Exhibit #17.

**VOICE VOTE:** Schlafer (mover-yes)  
Blalock (seconder-yes)  
All ayes

**MOTION:** Carried unanimously

**17 Approval of SpEd Applications**

- A. LEA Comprehensive Application:** (See Exhibit #18)  
**B. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Application:** (See Exhibit #19)

Randolph made and Janeway seconded a motion to approve Item #17, A and B, as per Exhibits #18 and #19.

**VOICE VOTE:** Randolph (mover-yes)  
Janeway (seconder-yes)

**All ayes**

**MOTION: Carried unanimously**

**18 Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of Fundraisers:** (See Exhibit #20)
  - 1. Crab Orchard
  - 2. Homestead
- B. Approval of Contracts:** (See Exhibit #21)
  - 1. CCHS with Advanced Office Systems
  - 2. CCHS with Canteen Select Services
  - 3. SMHS with Canteen Select Services
- C. Approval of Volunteers:** (See Exhibit #22)
  - 1. CCHS
  - 2. Crab Orchard
  - 3. Homestead
  - 4. Pleasant Hill
  - 5. SMHS
- D. Approval of SMHS Non-Faculty Coaches:** (See Exhibit #23)
- E. Approval of SMHS Cooperative Program with Rockwood H.S.:** (See Exhibit #24)
- F. Approval of Disposal of Surplus Property:** (See Exhibit #25)
  - 1. Pine View
  - 2. School Nutrition Program
- G. Approval of Pine View Elementary Specs:** (See Exhibit #26)
- H. Approval of CCHS/HOSA School Trips:** (See Exhibit #27)
- I. Approval of 2nd Reading on Policies:** (See Exhibit #28)
  - 1. 2.802 – Payroll Procedures **(1)**
  - 2. 6.200 – Attendance **(2)**
  - 3. 6.503 – Homeless Students **(3)**
  - 4. 1.400 – School Board Meetings **(4)**
  - 5. 1.502 – Board Meeting News Coverage **(5)**
  - 6. 4.605 – Graduation Requirements **(6)**
  - 7. 4.606 – Graduation Activities **(7)**
  - 8. 5.305 – Family and Medical Leave **(8)**
  - 9. 6.304 – Student Discrimination/Harassment & Bullying/Intimidation **(9)**
  - 10. 6.502 – Foreign Exchange Students **(10)**

Randolph made and Hyder seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as per Exhibits #20 through #28.

**VOICE VOTE: Randolph (mover-yes)**

**Hyder (seconder-yes)**

**All ayes**

**MOTION: Carried unanimously**

**19 Other Old Business**

**A. Cigna and Blue Cross:** Ms. VanWinkle has asked Cigna and Blue Cross to come and talk to the board about their different insurance plans. Cigna has agreed to come on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. Blue Cross has also been invited to the meeting, but they have not returned her phone calls. If they cannot be here on September 8<sup>th</sup>, she will schedule a meeting with them at another time. Ms. Randol stated that she had made seven phone calls and talked to eight different people with Blue Cross and they still haven't returned her calls. In answer to Mr. Patton's question regarding contractual concerns, Ms. VanWinkle stated that this is an informational meeting only. Schlafer asked that it be made very plain in the record that this is an informational meeting only; it is absolutely not

for the purpose of cutting anybody out of anything and nobody is trying to hoodoo anybody. It is simply to obtain more knowledge about the very best insurance plan at the very best value that can be offered to our employees. The meeting was set for September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. at the Central Office Board Room. Ms. Randol will work to get both companies at the same meeting, and if necessary, the September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting can be changed to a time that Blue Cross can be present. If Blue Cross doesn't agree to a meeting, the meeting with Cigna will go forward.

**20 Questions from Media**

**1. Flu Letter:** Andy Vaughn asked if the press can get a copy of the revised flu letter that is contained in the FYI Folder. Ms. VanWinkle will supply this to the media.

**(One (1) tape dated 8-26-09 is marked as Exhibit #29)**

**21 Adjournment:** Randolph made and Houston seconded a motion to adjourn.

**VOICE VOTE: All ayes**

**MOTION: Carried unanimously**

**(WHEREUPON, the meeting was adjourned  
at the approximate hour of 7:15 p.m.)**

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**Ms. Aarona VanWinkle  
Director of Schools**

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**Ms. Shirley Parris  
Chairman of the Board**

**I, Virgie Lotze, do hereby certify that I reported the foregoing minutes and that I delivered said minutes to the office of the Director of Schools on August 31, 2009.**

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**Virgilene T. Lotze  
Court Reporter and Notary  
Public at Large for the State of  
Tennessee**

**(My Commission expires 6-6-11)**