

**LENOIR CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

June 11, 2020

The Lenoir City Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at the Lenoir City Schools Professional Learning and Support Center. Board Chairman, Rick Chadwick presided.

Board members present: Rick Chadwick, Glenn McNish, Sr., Matthew Coleman, and Mitch Ledbetter. Bobby Johnson, Sr. was absent. Also present was Director of Schools, Dr. Jeanne K. Barker.

Faculty and staff present: Chip Orr, Brandi Hoglund, Don Maloney, Millicent Smith, Jeanie Mowery, Dr. Chris Smallen, Niki Freshour, Sheila Herron, Susan Fox, Christine Haire, Christina Mullinax, Richie Wilhite, Darlene Powell, Mike Robinson, Josey Miller, Dr. Chad Lewis, and Megan Millsaps.

Also present were News Herald reporter, Parker Wright, Committee of 100 representative, Ron Jordan, and other interested citizens.

Agenda Items

A motion was made by Coleman and seconded by McNish to approve the agenda and addendum agenda.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- absent
Mr. Johnson- absent

Dr. Barker recognized the following employees that are retiring this year and presented those in attendance with a school bell: Tami Fedor, Mike Robinson, Darlene Powell, Christine Haire, and Freida Carroll.

A motion was made by McNish and seconded by Coleman to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2020 regular board meeting and the May 28, 2020 called board meeting.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

A motion was made by Coleman and seconded by McNish to approve the Executive Committee Reports, Items A-E.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

There were no other committee reports.

New Business

Board Chairman Rick Chadwick announced that the Superintendent's contract will be renewed at the July 9, 2020 board meeting.

Election of Board Attorney

Dr. Barker made a recommendation to employ and retain Chris McCarty with Lewis, Thomason, King, Krieg and Waldrop, P.C.

A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Coleman to approve the superintendent's recommendation to employ and retain Chris McCarty.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

Approval to award tenure

A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by McNish to approve tenure to the following employees: Sarah Blakistone, Josey Miller, Christina Mullinax, Dr. Chad Lewis, Richard Wilhite, and Megan Millsaps.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

Approval of policy revisions

A motion was made by Coleman and seconded by Ledbetter to approve revisions on the following policies:

- A. 5.500, “Discrimination/Harrassment of Employees (Sexual, Racial, Ethnic, Religious)”
- B. 5.501, “Complaints and Grievances”
- C. 6.305, “Student Concerns, Complaints, and Grievances”

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

Approval of the Family Resource Center Annual Performance Report for 2019-2020

A motion was made by McNish and seconded by Coleman to approve the Family Resource Center Annual Performance Report for 2019-2020.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

Approval of the Textbook Adoption Certification for 2020-2021

A motion was made by Coleman and seconded by McNish to approve the Textbook Adoption Certification for 2020-2021.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

Approval of the School Nutrition Compliance Plan for 2020-2021

A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Coleman to approve the School Nutrition Compliance Plan for 2020-2021.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

Approval of the LCS Band Boosters Annual Information Report for 2019-2020

A motion was made by McNish and seconded by Ledbetter to approve the Lenoir City Schools Band Boosters Annual Information Report for 2019-2020.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

Approval of the 2020-2021 Budget General Purpose Fund Revision

A motion was made by McNish and seconded by Coleman to approve the 2020-2021 Budget General Purpose Fund Revision.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

Superintendent's Comments

Dr. Barker reported the following information to the Board:

- Appreciation to the board for announcing the renewal of her contract
- Requested approval to cancel the scheduled workshop on June 25, 2020
- Christina Mullinax was awarded a grant from ChessKid. The grant will provide online accounts to Lenoir City students to help them learn strategy, creativity, and perseverance all while having fun.
- Josey Miller was recognized for using creativity to continue the plant sale at the high school during the school closure
- Richie Wilhite was recognized for coordinating the “Move On” videos during the school closure

- Dr. Chad Lewis was recognized for helping with the social and emotional issues during the school closure
- Megan Millsaps was recognized for her work with the kindergarten students and her willingness to explore different ideas for the future
- Plans are being made to safely reopen schools. Dr. Barker noted that “Learning is not where we are but what we do.”
- Safety plans are due from the principals on June 30, 2020
- Timeline for the fall will be revealed after July 4, 2020
- A survey was sent to parents about reopening school in the fall
- The new LCS website will be launched on July 1, 2020.

A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Coleman to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Mr. Chadwick – aye
Mr. McNish- aye
Mr. Coleman- aye
Mr. Ledbetter- aye
Mr. Johnson- absent

Respectfully Submitted,



Rick L. Chadwick, Chairman
Lenoir City Board of Education