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**December 13, 2010- Board of Education
Meeting**

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Currituck Historic Courthouse

Meeting Minutes

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Attendees - voting members

John Barnes	Board Member
Bill Dobney	Board Member
Karen Etheridge	Board Member
Amy Innes	Board Member
Jackie Simmons	Board Member

Attendees - other

Dr. Meghan S Doyle	Superintendent
Chelsea Heflin	Student Board Member
Michelle Page	Student Board Member

A. Call to Order

1. Invocation
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Election of Chairman of the Board

Superintendent Doyle asked for nominations. Jackie Simmons nominated Bill Dobney. John Barnes nominated Amy Innes. The majority of the vote was in favor for Bill Dobney as Chairman.

Voting

John Barnes - No
 Bill Dobney - Yes
 Karen Etheridge - Yes
 Amy Innes - No
 Jackie Simmons - Yes

4. Election of Vice Chairman

Chairman Dobney asked for nominations. Karen Etheridge nominated Jackie Simmons.

Voting

John Barnes - Yes
 Bill Dobney - Yes
 Karen Etheridge - Yes
 Amy Innes - No
 Jackie Simmons - Yes

5. School Spotlight-Moyock Middle School

Virginia Arrington, Principal, highlighted the academic success of her school which included Teen Court, AVID, and community involvement. Staff development opportunities were also included. Two students spoke about their participation in AVID and Teen Court.

6. Public Comment Session

Mark Wootton, Currituck County High School Automotive Teacher, announced the truck raffle in joint partnership with the Moyock Ruritans. Jackie Simmons asked about the status of the certification for the automotive class. Mr. Wootton said work was in progress and Monique Wilkins-Combs, Director of Career-Technical Education, would send the application. Mr. Wootton said it would take 6 to 8 weeks once the application was submitted for review. Mr. Dobney asked Dr. Doyle to follow-up. She said the department had been working on certification since the first of the year.

Juanita Krause, parent and resident, thanked past board members Sharon Martz and Pat Stretar for their work. She would continue to support Currituck County Schools. As a parent she has had much success with the teachers and the schools. She believes the district accreditation process should continue. She would like to see the Board continue to support the Knapp Early College High School. She believes Dr. Doyle supports and cares about the students of Currituck. She would like to see staff, the Board, and the community work together for the benefit of the students.

Emily Patti, parent and resident, expressed her concern with not pursuing district accreditation. She supports the new programs implemented by the Superintendent. She has seen some resistance in the schools. She does not know why anyone would not want to move forward and meet goals.

Deborah Cavalcante, parent and resident, expressed her support with programs put into place by Dr. Doyle. She supports a global community. She also supports the teaching of the Mandarin Chinese language and district accreditation.

B. Approval to Amend Agenda to remove Policy Series 1000 from the Consent Agenda(Action)

Chairman Dobney asked for a motion to approval the amended agenda to remove the Policy Series 1000 from the consent agenda. Amy Innes asked for discussion. Chairman Dobney stated the new board members had not been given enough time to review the policies. Mrs. Innes said the policies had been on the agenda for 2 months. Having to go back would put the Board behind. Dr. Doyle added the Board would not have to start over but instead just delay the final vote.

The Board voted to have the Policy Series 1000 removed.

Motion made by: Jackie Simmons

Motion seconded by: Karen Etheridge

Voting

John Barnes - No
Bill Dobney - Yes
Karen Etheridge - Yes
Amy Innes - No
Jackie Simmons - Yes

C. Approval of November 8, 2010 Board Minutes (Action)

Motion made by: Jackie Simmons

Motion seconded by: Amy Innes

Voting

Unanimously Approved

D. Approval of November 8, 2010 Closed Session Minutes

Motion made by: Jackie Simmons

Motion seconded by: John Barnes

Voting

Unanimously Approved

E. Globally Competitive Students**1. Holiday Card -Student Winners**

Melissa Jensen, Public Information Officer, and Teresa Dozier, representing East Carolina Bank, presented \$50.00 saving bonds to Emily Brannon and Phoebe Lease. The students also received framed pictures of their artwork.

2. Student School Board Member Report

Michelle Page and Chelsea Heflin, Student Board Members, reported on school events and activities.

3. Field Trip Request (Action)

CCHS-SASI Retreat, Corolla, NC- Dec. 11-12, 2010

Motion made by: John Barnes

Motion seconded by: Jackie Simmons

Voting

Unanimously Approved

4. Governor's Reading Diagnostic Assessment (Action)

Sandy Kinzel, Assistant Superintendent, presented. The proposed reading initiative is part of the Governor's Education Program. All six elementary

schools were selected to participate. The program is web-based and uses mClass Reading 3D. It will take the place of the current K-2 assessment. Assessments will be conducted with touch screen mobile devices and replace the way current assessments are conducted. The initiative includes training for teachers, assessment kits with books and student materials, and an allowance to purchase the devices. The assessment data will follow the students and provide a subscription to store and collect 3rd grade data and the lowest 20% of 4th and 5th grades. The data will be collected and used to form groups of students with similar needs. Various reports will be available, along with aggregate reports to show how the entire district is progressing.

Paul O'Briant, Chief Information Officer, spoke on the devices and technology that will be used to capture the data. After researching and receiving input, notebooks were selected. This connects directly to the strategic plan which contains a goal to provide teachers with laptops. Mr. O'Briant asked the Board to allocate \$60,300 already set aside from the capital outlay funds, in addition to the \$12,000 allowance from the state program. The Board inquired about the length of the program, teachers training outside of the school day, and if the Director of Buildings and Grounds was okay with funds being used in another area. Ms. Kinzel replied the program was a legislative annual budget item, but the district was already making plans to improve the assessment process. The training timeline is rigorous and teachers must be trained and the program implemented by January 25, 2011. Dr. Doyle replied that future capital outlay projects were reviewed with Willis Simmons.

Motion made by: Jackie Simmons

Motion seconded by: Amy Innes

Voting

Unanimously Approved

F. 21st Century Professionals

1. December 13, 2010 Personnel Report (Action)

The Personnel Report was approved as presented.

Motion made by: Amy Innes

Motion seconded by: John Barnes

Voting

Unanimously Approved

- a. (c) Supporting Documents -Confidential

G. Healthy Responsible Students

1. School Nurse Discussion (Action)

Chairman Dobney yield his position to Jackie Simmons to allow the Vice Chairman to open the discussion on school nurses.

Dr. Dobney said there were responsibilities for student achievement and

student health and well-being. He made a motion to have fulltime nurse coverage that may include EMT assistance in the schools. Amy Innes said she would second the motion but not at the expense of teaching positions, especially if there are cuts in the upcoming budget. She would support fulltime nurse coverage only if the Board worked together and did not sacrifice teaching positions.

Dobney said he was willing to modify if all avenues for spending cuts are reviewed before cutting nursing and teaching positions.

Motion made by: Bill Dobney
Motion seconded by: Amy Innes

Voting
Unanimously Approved

H. Consent Agenda (Action)

Motion made by: Amy Innes
Motion seconded by: Jackie Simmons

Voting
Unanimously Approved

1. Series 1000 Policies- Final Approval
2. Series 1000 Policy- Second Approval
3. Financial Items
4. Student Transfer Request
5. Contracts

I. Information Items

1. Work Session-January 10, 2010- 4:00 p.m. at Knapp Professional Learning Center
2. Board Meeting- January 10, 2010- 7:00 p.m. at Currituck Historic Courthouse
3. Closed Session- December 17, 2010- 9:00 a.m., Knapp Professional Learning Center. Personnel Discussion- Reasons 1, 3 & 6 of G.S.143-318.11

J. Board Members Comments

Jackie Simmons stated that a productive work session had taken place prior to the Board meeting and some issues were identify. He looked forward to working with the commissioners and Board members.

John Barnes said it had been a pleasure serving on the Board with past board members Pat Stretar, Sharon Martz, and Cathy Midgette-Hatcher.

Chairman Dobney said the lengthy work session addressed teacher concerns and teacher input would again be used to resolve issues.

K. Adjourn Meeting (Action)

Motion made by: Amy Innes

Motion seconded by: Jackie Simmons

Voting

Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary