

Currituck County Schools**10:00 a.m. Closed Session & 4:30 p.m. Special Meeting****Meeting Minutes****06/05/2020 10:00 AM****Printed : 6/25/2020 3:46 PM EST**

Virtual Meeting

The open session of this meeting can be viewed at [CCS_BOE YouTube](#)

Attendees**Voting Members**

Karen Etheridge, Chairman
 Dwan Craft, Vice Chairman
 Dr. Bill Dobney, Board Member
 Will Crodick, Board Member
 Janet Rose, Board Member

Non-Voting Members

Mark Stefanik, Superintendent

A. Call to Order (10:00 a.m.)**B. Approval of Agenda (Action)**

Motion made by: Will Crodick

Motion seconded by: Dr. Bill Dobney

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

C. Motion to go into Closed Session for Reasons (a)(1), (a)(3), (a)(6) of G.S. 143.318.11 to prevent the disclosure of confidential personnel information protected under G.S. 115C-319 and to consult with the Board Attorney and preserve the attorney-client privilege. (Action)

Motion made by: Dwan Craft

Motion seconded by: Dr. Bill Dobney

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

D. Closed Session for Reasons (a)(1), (a)(3), (a)(6) of G.S. 143.318.11 to prevent the disclosure of confidential personnel information protected under G.S. 115C-319 and to consult with the Board Attorney and preserve the attorney-client privilege.

1. Conclusion of the Closed Session - Motion to return to Open Session (Action)

Motion made by: Dwan Craft

Motion seconded by: Dr. Bill Dobney

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

E. Return to Open Session (4:30 p.m.)**F. CCHS Graduation Safety Protocol (Action if needed)**

The Board and Superintendent Stefanik discussed the safety protocol for the 19-20 graduation ceremonies. Following the Board's approval for the ceremony, Superintendent Stefanik said he started thinking about the possible 800 in attendance. He said that the discussion was not about having the ceremony but about what types of safety protocol to put in place.

Will Crodick said it was his understanding the graduation matter had been addressed and he made the motion to move forward with the current plan.

The group went on to discuss the logistics of the graduation ceremony including liability concerns,

waivers and tickets, using thermometers, etc. Dr. Matney and staff will handle utilizing the stands in order to maintain social distancing guidelines. The Board discussed using volunteers to assist staff.

Motion made by: Will Crodick

Motion seconded by: Dwan Craft

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

G. Personnel (Action if needed)

Action item was not needed.

H. Discussion - proposed school site

Superintendent Stefanik and Chairman Etheridge presented a phasing schedule and letter regarding the Flora project to the other board members.

The developer of the preferred school site is trying to get a housing development approved by the County Commissioners and the Planning Board. The proposed housing development, Flora project, will impact the capacity levels of the surrounding schools.

Superintendent Stefanik explained how funding concerns could delay the new elementary school up to two years. If this happened, the opening of the new elementary school in Moyock could be changed from August 2023 to August 2025. Concerned that school funding issues could possibly delay the housing development, the developer asked Superintendent Stefanik what options were available to move forward. Superintendent Stefanik said he informed the developer the delay in building the school could include major impacts such as redistricting several schools. The capacity of the mobile units could increase the capacity level at MES.

The Board discussed budget concerns and how COVID-19 was having a negative impact on the economy. The funding for the new school could be delayed by a bond referendum. The school could cost approximately \$25 million. The Board discussed the amount of funds available and how much more would be needed. A bond referendum may or may not be necessary.

Chairman Etheridge explained the developer was asking the Board what could be done if the new school was delayed since it had an impact on the approval of the housing development. Will Crodick said he did not feel as though he had enough information to make a decision at the current time.

Janet Rose said that plan B would have to include moving boundaries. Chairman Etheridge said the developer wanted to know if this was an option because he needs to present this as an option to the Commissioners and Planning Board. Will Crodick asked for clarification on the request and expressed his concern with having to move boundaries in a domino effect to accommodate the housing development. Chairman Etheridge said if the developer asked the Board to work with him, was the Board willing to do so.

The Board discussed how they had earlier agreed that capacity levels of 90% & 95% would trigger various plans to accommodate the growth. A mobile unit has been purchased for MES. The Board and Superintendent Stefanik started to discuss if the mobile units could be used in the capacity calculations. Chairman Etheridge was hopeful that the Board would use the mobile units as a factor in the capacity levels. She suggested sharing the capacity plan with the Commissioners.

Mr. Crodick expressed his concerns about reconfiguring the capacities of the mobile units and the main buildings to accommodate the construction phases and projected students of the proposed housing development. The Board continued to discuss the impact of the development to the new and existing schools, current actions and plans to accommodate future students. Mr. Crodick did not feel the Board was ready to make the determination.

Superintendent Stefanik asked if the Board was okay that the developer, Justin Old, used the capacity listed at MES plus 80 with the use of the mobile units. Chairman Etheridge and Mrs. Rose agreed. Superintendent Stefanik explained how the development currently effected both Shawboro and Moyock. Mrs. Dowdy expressed her concern with including temporary mobile units in the capacity levels. It was agreed that only two mobile units with four classrooms would be used in the current calculation.

I. Adjourn Meeting (Action)

The Board will hold a Special Meeting on June 10, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the PLC.

Motion made by: Dr. Bill Dobney

Motion seconded by: Dwan Craft

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

Chairperson

Secretary