



# BOARD BRIEFING

From the Garrett County Board of Education



## **Public Session**

### **Announcements**

- The closed session summary was presented by Superintendent Ms. Barbara Baker
- 7/11-14 & 18-21 Summer Programming: Elementary and Middle Schools
- 7/21 MABE Board Service Academy: The Blueprint and Reimagining College Readiness and CTE (Virtual) 9:30a-12:30p
- 8/4 MABE New Student Board Member Orientation (Virtual) 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- 8/17-18 & 22-25 BEST Class – New Teacher Orientation
- 8/23 MABE Board Service Academy Open Meetings Act (virtual) 9:30a.m.-12:30p.m.
- 9/1 GCPS Reunion Meeting (location TBD)
- 10/6-8 MABE Annual Conference

### **Recognitions**

- Mrs. Monica Rinker represented the Board and recognized Southern Middle student Chloe Cambell, whose artwork was selected by the Fine Arts Committee to be purchased and displayed at the Central Office of GCPS. Mrs. Dawna Ashby, Director of Elementary Education/Fine Arts, and the Fine Arts Committee shared in the selection process. Also recognized, but not present, was Northern High student Ariella Malfaro.

### **New Business**

- Mrs. Alison Sweitzer, Director of Finance, and Superintendent Baker presented the recommended vendor, Perry's Solid Waste Disposal, to complete the Solid Waste Collection and

Disposal Services for the school system. This was one of two bids.

Superintendent Baker recommended the approval of the bid of \$69,415. The Board voted 4-0 in favor of the vendor selection.

- Ms. Barbara Baker presented the draft Educational Facilities Master Plan (EFMP) to the Board for their review. The Board will act on the EFMP at the August 9, 2022, Board Meeting.

### **Policies and Procedures**

- BC Ethics – Ms. Baker requested the adoption of the revised policy and procedure. The Board voted unanimously to adopt the policy.

### **Continuing Business**

- Mrs. Candy Maust, Supervisor of English Language Arts (ELA) and Social Studies requested the Board's approval of the recommended supplemental materials, Document Based Questions (DBQ), for the Social Studies Curriculum in the primary grades. Superintendent Baker recommended approval of the materials. The Board voted unanimously to approve the curricula.
- Mrs. Dawna Ashby, Director of Elementary Education, requested the Board's approval of the recommended Pre-Kindergarten curriculum, Three Cheers for Pre-K®. The curriculum was available for public review/comment for a month. Superintendent Baker recommended approval of the curriculum. The Board voted unanimously for approval.

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Board of Education Members: Mr. M. Thomas Woods, President; Mr. Rodney Glotfelty, Vice President; Dr. Matthew A. Paugh, Mrs. Monica L. Rinker, Mr. Jason E. VanSickle, Associate Members; Ms. Alexis X. Shaffer, Student Board Member; Ms. Barbara L. Baker, Superintendent; Mr. Brandon Hoover, Attorney

- Mrs. Candy Maust, Supervisor of English Language Arts (ELA) and Social Studies, and Mr. Brian Schilpp, STEM Supervisor, presented the Superintendent's Reading and Math vision for strategies to increase student achievement with assessment results.

### **Public Comment**

- There was no public comment.

### **Continuing Business**

- Superintendent Baker provided the Board with an update on the progress of her action plan.
- Superintendent Baker provided an update on the timeline of the Southern Middle Renovation Project and Grade-Band Proposal. She stated that an additional feedback meeting is tentatively scheduled for 8/23.

### **Student Member of the Board**

- Ms. Alexis Shaffer, Student Member of the Board (SMOB), stated that she has been involved in a GCSAC group chat. They have appointed several positions so far. Additionally, they are discussing possible fundraisers for Autumn Glory. They have also begun looking at the Constitutions.
- State-wide SMOBs are also involved in a group chat. Multiple members will be sworn in statewide in the coming weeks.
- Ms. Shaffer will be virtually attending the MABE training for new SMOBs on Aug 4th.
- Members of the NH Student Council have been looking at things to improve student morale and involvement with Student Council. SH has started looking at different fundraising ideas and other activities. They are hoping to hold two blood drives this coming year, one in the fall and a second drive in the spring.
- Ms. Shaffer is creating an informational presentation on the role of SMOB to encourage student participation in the years to come.

- Many students from both high schools are enrolled in classes at Garrett College this summer.
- Most students that were enrolled in AP classes this past school year have recently received their testing results.

### **Informational Items**

- IRS mileage rate change.

### **Board Business**

- There were no Board Member Updates.

### **Next Meeting**

The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be Tuesday, August 9, 2022, at the Dennett Road Educational Complex. Details of the meeting will be announced ahead of time.