



FORT BRAGG SCHOOL BOARD

Meeting Minutes
6 September 2007

Opening:

Mrs. Melanie Cox called the regular meeting of the Fort Bragg School Board to order at 10:01 a.m. in the CSO Board Room. Melanie welcomed the Board Members and guests. Melanie then led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Marsh opened the floor for nominations of President. Laura Rhodes made a motion, second by Teresa Steel to accept Melanie Cox for President. Dr. Marsh closed the nominations and Melanie was appointed by acclamation. The nominations were then opened for Vice President. Laura Rhodes was appointed by acclamation.

Present:

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| 1. Melanie Cox, President
District 9 | 7. Bette McKnight, District 4 |
| 2. Laura Rhodes, Vice President,
District 7 | 8. Mr. Dale Young
Schools Officer |
| 3. Shannon Rasmussen, District 1 | 9. Major Cowen, Pope AFB |
| 4. Teresa Steel, District 2 | 10. Dr. Emily Marsh, Assistant
Superintendent, NC DDESS |
| 5. Eura White, District 3 | 11. Terry Lawrence, Recorder |
| 6. Tomi Rdesinski, District 6 | |

Absent:

1. Christy Taylor, District 5
2. Dr. Tom Hager, Superintendent - NC DDESS

Vacant Positions:

District 8

A. Approval of Minutes:

Laura Rhodes made a motion, second by Teresa Steel to approve the minutes of 7 June 2007 noting the correction that Laura Rhodes was absent. Motion carried.

B. Old Business:

Ambrea Brady's letter of resignation was read.

C. New Business:

Mrs. Patricia Laney, DoDEA Teacher of the Year spoke to the board about her experiences and travels this last year.

Some of the highlights were:

- Visit to the White House and meeting President and Mrs. Bush.
- Visited 56 stateside DDESS schools.
- Talked at the "Opening" of different systems and various faculty meetings.
- Each staff member at every school was given a baggie with Hershey kisses, some in camouflage wrappers, and a note telling them thanks for the great job they do everyday teaching the children of America's Heroes!
- Gave each principal a copy of a song that Tim Black, the Okinawa Teacher of the Year, wrote for the forum last year, entitled the Teacher in Me.
- Attend the National Math Conference in March and Marcy Cook workshop.
- Meeting all the National Teachers of Year.

Pat stated she now has 55 new friends and colleagues.

D. Comments from Dr. Marsh and School Board Members:

Dr. Marsh reported on the following:

Opening of School

- Very Successful Opening!
- High Participation for *OPEN HOUSE* in all schools
- Albritton Open House 26 September from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Initiatives

- FLES Expansion - Devers, Bowley, Murray
- Math Facilitator Program Continues
- Science Professional Development Scheduled for Spring 2008
- School Improvement~Accreditation- **ADVANC-ED**

Staffing/Enrollment

The projected enrollment for SY06-07 is 4483. Currently we are below the project enrollment by 295 students.

Facilities

- Albritton HVAC Project
- Albritton Bathroom Updates
- Bowley Roof Replacement, Design in Progress
- New Schools on the Horizon
 - Irwin Replacement, 2nd School in Linden Oaks

Upcoming Events

- September 11 - Patriots' Day
- September 21 - Professional Development Day, Non-Student Day

E. Comments from the Public:

None

F. Adjournment:

Melanie adjourned the meeting at 10:47 a.m. The next general meeting will be Thursday, October 4 2007.

Minutes submitted by: Terry K. Lawrence _____
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Approved by: Mrs. Melanie Cox _____
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