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**REGULAR MEETING
of the
CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education held a Regular Board Meeting on May 13, 2008. The meeting began at 5:17 p.m. and was held in Room CH-14 of the Government Center.

Present: Joe I. White, Jr., Chairperson, Member At-Large;
Molly Griffin, Vice-Chairperson, (District 5);
Kaye McGarry, Member At-Large;
Trent Merchant, Member At-Large;
Larry Gauvreau (District 1);
Vilma D. Leake (District 2);
Tom Tate (District 4); and
Ken Gjertsen (District 6)

Absent: George Dunlap (District 3)

Also present at the request of the Board were Dr. Peter Gorman, Superintendent; Regina H. Bartholomew, General Counsel; Maurice Green, Deputy Superintendent/Chief Operating Officer; and Nancy Daughtridge, Clerk to the Board.

Upon motion by Ms. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Merchant, the Board voted unanimously of those present for approval to go into Closed Session for the following purpose:

- **To consult with the Board's attorneys on matters covered by attorney-client privilege including but not limited to impending real estate transactions and discussion of a litigation matter, to wit: *North Carolina School Boards Association et. al. v. Moore, et. al., Wake Co. Sup. Ct., NC 98CVS14158.***

The motion was made pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes.

Chairperson White reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 6:10 p.m. in the Meeting Chamber of the Government Center. CMS-TV Channel 3 televised the meeting.

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Molly Griffin, Vice-Chairperson, (District 5);
Kaye McGarry, Member At-Large;
Trent Merchant, Member At-Large;

Larry Gauvreau (District 1);
Vilma D. Leake (District 2);
George Dunlap (District 3);
Tom Tate (District 4); and
Ken Gjertsen (District 6)

Absent: There were no absences.

Also present at the request of the Board were Dr. Peter Gorman, Superintendent; Regina H. Bartholomew, General Counsel; Members of Executive and Senior Staffs; and Nancy Daughtridge, Clerk to the Board.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson White called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Chairperson White welcomed everyone to the Board's first Regular monthly business meeting of the month.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson White introduced Nathaniel Johnson, a fourth grade student at Rama Road Elementary School, to lead those present and in the viewing audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and speak to the May character trait "hope." Chairperson White said Nathaniel is extremely good at math and loves math class. He is learning how to calculate area and perimeter, and is excited about learning algebra. Nathaniel also loves basketball. He wants to be a basketball player when he grows up or a business man and use all the math skills he is learning. Nathaniel's teacher, Ms. Lewis said, "Nathaniel is always smiling and happy, and he always tries 150% in every subject!" Chairperson White introduced Nathaniel's parents, William and Gwendalyne Johnson, and the principal at Rama Road Elementary, Brian Bambauer. Nathaniel said "hope" is believing that you can be successful. Nathaniel said he has been practicing for the End-of-Grade tests and he believes he will be successful. Nathaniel invited everyone to stand and join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Dunlap moved, seconded by Ms. Griffin, that the Board adopt the agenda, and a discussion followed.

Chairperson White asked that the Board approve adding a real estate matter discussed in Closed Session to the Consent Agenda as item III.M. (Recommend approval of acquisition of land for a north elementary school on Davidson-Concord Road). The motion is to authorize the purchase of approximately 3.071 acres, a portion of tax parcel number 007-191-01, for a purchase price of \$122,658.00 per acre including an agreement with the current property owner to share costs of certain shared improvements that will benefit the property to be acquired by Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education as well as property retained by the current owner.

Ms. McGarry moved, seconded by Ms. Griffin, that the Board approve adding Consent Item III.M. (Recommend approval of acquisition of land for a north elementary school on Davidson-Concord Road.), and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

Ms. Leake moved, seconded by Mr. Dunlap, that the Board adopt the agenda as amended, and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

Chairperson White said the Consent Agenda includes the naming of five schools. He said if the Board votes on this item without pulling these items, the Board will adopt the name for each school that has been recommended by the school naming process. The schools and the recommended names are as follows:

- Hucks Road elementary school to be named Croft Community School.
- Flat Branch elementary school to be named Polo Ridge Elementary School.
- Lancaster Highway/Providence West elementary school to be named Ballantyne Elementary School.
- Beatties Ford Road elementary school to be named Barnette Elementary School.
- Belmeade elementary school to be named Whitewater Academy.

II. REQUESTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Gerald Baucom is the director and founder of Campus Connections. This organization has been in existence for over 22 years and its purpose is to help students receive scholarships and placement in colleges. He thanked the Board, Dr. Gorman, and the community for their support. Over the years, this organization has helped 1,100 CMS students and 2,200 students throughout the state.

The following people expressed their concerns regarding the Anti-Bullying Policy, Day of Silence, and the removal of religion in education:

- Flip Benham, church pastor and national director of Operation Save America.
- Adam Tennant.

Three people discussed the successes of and positive impact the Paideia Program at Oakhurst Elementary School has on students to be life long learners. They encouraged the Board to maintain this program in the budget.

- Kim DeSimone, PTA president at Oakhurst Elementary School.
- Tracy Pasfield, parent.
- Joyce Howard, teacher at Oakhurst Elementary School.

Lazaro Giovanni DeJesus, student at Sedgefield Elementary School, spoke regarding Asthma Awareness Month.

Dion Woolfolk, CMS teacher, shared his concerns regarding changing the wording of the Anti-Bullying policy. He commended the CMS staff for being quality professional educators in doing their job. He said staff has always done an excellent job at handling bullying concerns in the schools.

III. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Recommend approval of minutes.
 - January 8, 2008 Regular Board Meeting.

- February 26, 2008 Regular Board Meeting.
 - March 20, 2008 Closed Session.
 - March 25, 2008 Closed Session.
 - March 25, 2008 Work Session.
 - April 4, 2008, Closed Session.
 - April 15, 2008 Closed Session.
 - April 17, 2008 Closed Session.
 - April 22, 2008 Closed Session.
- B. Construction Items.
1. Recommend approval of construction contract for North Mecklenburg High School.
 2. Recommend approval of construction contract for Northwest School of the Arts.
 3. Recommend approval of construction contract for new elementary school ES07-06, Youngblood/Steele Creek Road.
- C. Recommend approval of appointment of administrative personnel.
- D. Recommend approval of licensed/non-licensed hires and promotions for April 2008.
- E. Recommend approval of supplementary funding request for *Science Olympiad* at East Mecklenburg High School.
- F. Recommend approval of supplementary funding request for *“Through My Eyes” I Can See A Future*.
- G. Recommend approval for naming of new Hucks Road elementary school.
- H. Recommend approval for naming of new Flat Branch elementary school.
- I. Recommend approval for naming of new Lancaster Highway/Providence West elementary school.
- J. Recommend approval for naming of new Beatties Ford Road elementary school.
- K. Recommend approval for naming of new Belmeade Road elementary school.
- L. Recommend approval for the Finance Officer to approve purchase orders for the 2008-09 school year.
- M. Recommend approval of acquisition of land for a north elementary school on Davidson-Concord Road.

Mr. Dunlap moved, seconded by Ms. Griffin, that the Board adopt Consent Items A. thru M., and a discussion followed.

Ms. Leake pulled B.2., B.3., G., H., I., J., and K.

Ms. McGarry pulled F.

Mr. Dunlap moved, seconded by Mr. Tate, that the Board adopt Consent Items A., B.1., C., D., E., L., and M., and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

The Board discussed Consent Item B.2. Ms. Leake said this item is the addition of five new classrooms, new restrooms, ball field, walking track, and new parking and drive areas at Northwest School of the Arts. She said this school has been in need of renovations for a number of years and she wanted to ensure the public was aware of the pending improvements.

Ms. Leake moved, seconded by Mr. Tate, that the Board adopt Consent Item B.2., and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

The Board discussed Consent Item B.3. Ms. Leake said this is the construction contract for a

new elementary school in the Steele Creek Road/Youngblood Road area. She wanted to ensure the community was aware that a new school was scheduled to open in this area.

Ms. Leake moved, seconded by Ms. Griffin, that the Board adopt Consent Item B.3., and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

The Board discussed Consent Item F. Ms. McGarry expressed concern regarding items that may interfere with the school day that should be funneled through the community. She asked for clarification on this program. Dr. Gorman called upon Nancy Langenfeld, Director of Coordinated School Health, to provide a summary of the grant request for "*Through My Eyes*" *I Can See a Future*. Ms. Langenfeld said this program is a grant that will provide funding to develop programming in the schools to address mental health issues which have been highlighted through the Youth Risk Behavior Survey as an issue for some students. Communication of those issues can be difficult and they are different for different students. This program is included in the North Carolina Standard Course of Study and the activities are designed to supplement the current 9th grade curriculum and it is not an additional program. Ms. McGarry expressed concern that CMS has over 5,000 students who are medicated during the school day. She supports a program that will create awareness and provide information to parents who need help with their children. She expressed concern that the school day has never been extended but CMS continues to have programs that require training and development during the school day. Ms. McGarry asked to what extent will this program interfere with the school day? She also asked if this could be incorporated with the responsibilities of the school nurses and medical staff? Ms. Langenfeld said it is a part of the current curriculum to address mental health issues in the 9th grade. Staff will provide training for nurses and staff to ensure they have the resources necessary to assist children that need assistance. The curriculum piece that is supported by this grant will allow for that training and the distribution of resources.

Ms. Griffin moved, seconded by Mr. Dunlap, that the Board adopt Consent Item F., and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

The Board discussed Consent Items G., H., I., J., and K. Ms. Leake said over the years, the Board has had the opportunity to participate in the school naming process. She wanted to know if the principals, staff members, students, parents, and community members from each of these schools were present in the audience. Dr. Gorman said that principals and staff of the schools were not directed to attend this meeting but there are people in the audience that represent each school. He said each school followed Board policy and staff, students, parents, and the community were involved in the naming process. Ms. Leake said she was unaware that this process was being handled in this manner at Board meetings because previously the principal, staff, students, and parents attended the meeting to show support of the process and that there was community involvement in naming the schools. Ms. Leake wants to ensure the public that the naming process followed Board policy and the names have the support of the community and the students because the name selected will be around for a long time. Ms. Leake invited those present for Flat Branch (Polo Ridge Elementary School), Lancaster Highway (Ballantyne Elementary School), Beatties Ford Road (Barnette Elementary School), and Belmeade Drive (Whitewater Academy) to stand and be recognized. She asked questions regarding each school and people in the audience responded. Dr. Gorman said the principals

were not directed to bring students and individuals to the meeting because the majority of the Board agreed that the naming of schools would be an item on the Consent Agenda which does not usually require a presentation. Dr. Gorman asked the Board to provide him direction if they wish to handle naming of schools differently. Ms. Leake said she pulled these items because she believes it is important that the public see that students, parents, and the community were involved in the naming process. She wants to ensure that everybody has an opportunity to participate in the naming of schools. She thanked the people that were attending the meeting to support these schools.

Mr. Gauvreau said he would support the naming of the schools. He believes it is great that CMS has a process in place for naming schools. He expressed concern that one school includes an “academy” label in its name. He said the Board set this precedent long ago and he believes the Board diminishes the Board and the school system by allowing that label to be attached to the names of schools. He said “academy” is associated with showing academic strength and special institutions such as the Naval Academy and Air Force Academy. He said generally, “academy” is related to a secondary education environment. He encouraged the Board to change that culture in the school system and to include specific guidelines in the naming process. He does not support calling an elementary school an Academy. Chairperson White said the item on the agenda is specifically approving the names for these five schools and this is not an appropriate time to review the process. He encouraged Mr. Gauvreau to review the process and make recommendations to the Board at a later time.

Chairperson White called for a motion to approve Consent Items G., H., I., J., and K. Ms. McGarry said she would like to make a substitute motion for Consent Item H. (Recommend approval for naming of new Flat Branch elementary school). Chairperson White called upon Ms. Leake to make a motion for each Consent Item separately.

Ms. Leake moved that the Board adopt Consent Item G. (Recommend approval for naming of new Hucks Road elementary school as Croft Community School), seconded by Mr. Dunlap, and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

Ms. Leake moved that the Board adopt Consent Item H. (Recommend approval for naming of new Flat Branch elementary school as Polo Ridge Elementary School), seconded by Mr. Dunlap, and a discussion followed. Ms. McGarry offered a substitute motion.

Ms. McGarry made a substitute motion that the Board approve the name for the new Flat Branch elementary school as Donald W. Lochman Elementary School, seconded by Ms. Leake, and a discussion followed. Ms. McGarry expressed concern that a Board member had requested to be notified when the naming committee met and he was not notified. She said she understands this was an oversight. She said the number of votes on the three names that were submitted were very close. She believes if this fourth name was in the mix, it would have provided another choice to the people involved in the naming process. She said she appreciates the process in place but the Board of Education has final approval. She said this process included minor oversights and this name should be considered.

Mr. Tate moved that the Board postpone the vote on this item, seconded by Mr.

Gauvreau, and a discussion followed. Mr. Tate said it is not appropriate for the Board to have a school follow the school naming process and then have a Board member second guess the process by offering their own recommendations. He expressed concern that he does not have the full facts regarding the reasons behind the substitute motion and who was not notified. He believes the Board should have the full facts prior to voting on the substitute motion and that the School Naming Committee should be informed and given an opportunity to provide their input. Mr. Dunlap said the Board has established a process which allows the community members to decide which names are recommended. He expressed concern that this would have a negative impact on the community and that the Board should not take the privilege of naming schools away from the community because a Board member has a name preference. Ms. Leake said she pulled these items so that the public could be aware that there was community involvement. She would prefer to have principals and individuals attend the Board meetings to show support. She said this is not the first time that the Board has discussed other names than what was recommended such as Butler High School and Walter G. Byers Elementary School. She said Mr. Lochman was a fine gentleman and she would support the recommendation. Ms. Leake thanked Ms. McGarry for making the recommendation. Mr. Merchant noted that this school said there were twenty-one names proposed. He asked did the naming committee consider Donald Lochman? The principal responded, no.

The Board voted 2-7 on postponing the vote on this item and the motion failed. Mr. Gjertsen and Mr. Tate voted in support of the motion. Chairperson White, Ms. Griffin, Ms. McGarry, Mr. Merchant, Mr. Gauvreau, Ms. Leake, and Mr. Dunlap voted against the motion.

The Board voted 3-6 on the substitute motion (name the new Flat Branch elementary school as the Donald W. Lochman Elementary School) and the motion failed. Ms. McGarry, Ms. Leake, and Mr. Gjertsen voted in support of the motion. Chairperson White, Ms. Griffin, Mr. Merchant, Mr. Gauvreau, Mr. Dunlap, and Mr. Tate voted against the motion.

The Board voted 8-1 on the original motion to adopt Consent Item H. (Recommend approval to name the new Flat Branch Elementary School as the Polo Ridge Elementary School). Chairperson White, Ms. Griffin, Mr. Merchant, Mr. Gauvreau, Ms. Leake, Mr. Dunlap, Mr. Tate, and Mr. Gjertsen voted in support of the motion. Ms. McGarry voted against the motion.

Ms. Leake moved that the Board adopt Consent Item I. (Recommend approval to name the new Lancaster Highway/Providence West elementary school as Ballantyne Elementary School), seconded by Mr. Dunlap, and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

Mr. Gjertsen thanked the members in the audience who were attending the meeting in support of naming this school which is in District 6. Mr. Gjertsen said he is proud of the support that this community gives CMS and he is proud to represent District 6.

Ms. Leake moved that the Board adopt Consent Item J. (Recommend approval to name the new Beatties Ford elementary school as Barnette Elementary School, seconded by

Ms. Griffin, and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

Ms. Leake moved that the Board adopt Consent Item K. (Recommend approval to name the new Belmeade elementary school as Whitewater Academy, and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

Dr. Gorman's personnel recommendations were as follows:

Transfer:

- Eric Randolph Marshall named principal at Business and Finance School at Garinger High School. Mr. Marshall previously served as principal at Devonshire Elementary School.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Recommend approval of resolution to donate personal property to a non-profit organization

Chairperson White called upon Dr. Gorman to present the recommendation. Dr. Gorman said this item is regarding the donation of items located in houses that are scheduled to be demolished to Habitat for Humanity.

Mr. Dunlap moved approval of resolution to donate personal property to a non-profit organization, seconded by Ms. Griffin, and the Board voted 9-0 in support of the motion.

V. REPORTS/INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Report on Financial Statements for March 2008

Chairperson White called upon Dr. Gorman to present the report. Dr. Gorman said agenda Items A., B., and C. are the monthly reports and they are as presented.

B. Report on Budget Amendments for March 2008

Presented with V.A.

C. Report on Capital Project Ordinances for March 2008

Presented with V.A.

D. Report on proposed renovation projection at McClintock Middle School

Chairperson White called upon Dr. Gorman to introduce the report. Dr. Gorman called upon Guy Chamberlain, Associate Superintendent for Auxiliary Services, and Pam Espinosa, principal at McClintock Middle School, to present the report. Mr. Chamberlain said the report presents a change of direction for McClintock Middle School. McClintock Middle School is included in the 2007 Bond Referendum for a comprehensive renovation and addition. The project includes mechanical and electrical replacements, cafeteria and kitchen replacement, and a twelve-classroom addition at a budget cost of \$24.9 million. The project is designed to be completed in phases and by swinging portions of the student body into mobile classrooms

while portions of the building are renovated. This project was scheduled to take up to thirty months. Quail Hollow Middle School followed this process and is almost completed. Carmel Middle School followed a similar process. The scheduled project can be challenging, difficult, and intrusive. CMS would prefer to not expose the student body to these types of renovations and they can be disruptive to the learning process. Two months ago, CMS received bids on Belmeade and Ridge Road middle schools. The bids were favorable and reflected cost savings of several million dollars. Staff saw this as an opportunity to possibly change the scope at McClintock Middle School. Mr. Chamberlain said the recommendation would be to use the same prototype and build it on the existing school site. This option would reduce the construction period from thirty months to fourteen months and that process would be transparent to the student body because the construction would be taking place at the back of the school site. The budget cost of this project is \$23.9 million. Upon completion of the project, the school would be moved into the new facility, and selective demolition and repair would begin to take place at the existing facilities. There are spaces at the school that should be maintained such as the recently completed Media Center and the newer wings of the school. The new project recommendation would result in an eighteen-room classroom facility with a gymnasium, cafeteria, media center, a sizeable core for office space that could be used for a number of purposes going forward such as a Performance Learning Center or a new Professional Development Center. These options could be discussed with the Board at a later date. Mr. Chamberlain said staff supports proceeding with this recommendation. He said the intent is to negotiate a guarantee maximum price for the construction of a new facility and return to the Board with that contract for approval within the next two months.

Board members were invited to make comments and ask questions.

- Ms. Griffin said this is a great proposal that she would support. She asked what is the proposed timetable and if approved could the project start construction soon? Mr. Chamberlain said the target date is to start the construction in early fall. Staff does not have a site design at this time. With the current water/storm water regulations, a site design could take four or five months to be completed. The building is already designed and once the site design is completed, we can break ground and the project should be completed in fourteen months. Students could move into the school the following school year approximately mid-year or around Christmas. Ms. Griffin thanked staff for their work in developing this proposal. She said this is a win-win situation for everyone.
- Mr. Dunlap asked if there was enough space at the current site to accommodate the athletic fields and other amenities. Mr. Chamberlain said, yes, but staff is evaluating the exact layout to ensure efficiency and adequate space. Staff is also considering the acquisition of a couple of acres adjacent to the back portion of the property.
- Mr. Merchant said there is a creek at the back of the property. He asked if any of the property was in the flood plain? Mr. Chamberlain said, no. Mr. Merchant asked what is the square footage of the new project compared to the renovation? Mr. Chamberlain said he does not have the exact footage but the project will bring McClintock Middle School to the standard fifty-four-classroom middle school which would be approximately 170,000 square feet. The prototypical model is now approximately 137,000 square feet. This is a more compact building and that may have contributed to the favorable pricing.
- Mr. Tate thanked staff for bringing this opportunity forward. He believes it is great to save money and get a new school. He would support the recommendation.

- Ms. Leake thanked staff for ensuring this community was being taken care of and getting a new school because that school has needed renovations for a long time. She would support this recommendation.

VI. REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Gorman said he has been working to coordinate dates with the Board members for Work Sessions on Magnet Programs and Graduation Requirements. He said it is challenging to find dates to accommodate all the Board member's schedules. Dr. Gorman thanked the Board for their flexibility and cooperation in scheduling the meetings. He said the majority of the Board wanted to ensure that the community was aware of the dates, the meetings were publicly announced, and that meetings were held to get public feedback on these matters. Dr. Gorman said the dates for the Work Sessions are as follows:

Work Sessions - Graduation Requirements

- May 28th, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- June 5th, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Work Sessions – Magnet Programs

- May 20th, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- June 9th, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- June 24th, TBD. Perhaps, discussion at the June 24th Regular Board meeting.

Dr. Gorman said this information will be posted on the Website and sent to each school. The schools will distribute the information and forward it via Connect Ed. Dr. Gorman said staff has also set up seven opportunities for the community to provide input. A meeting will be held in each Learning Community and the dates will range from June 26th to August 4th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. He said members of the community could attend any of the meetings to provide input on Magnet Programs and Graduation Requirements. Dr. Gorman said staff will present proposed recommendations on Magnet Programs and Graduation Requirements for first review to the Board in August. Staff will present proposed recommendations to the Board for a vote in September.

VII. REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Kaye McGarry said at her recent book signing, she met two great teachers whose quest is to stamp out ignorance and to 100% teach every child. She was pleased to announce that her daughter got married on Saturday and her third granddaughter was born on Thursday.

Ken Gjertsen enjoyed teaching Junior Achievement to a group of third graders. He encouraged Board members to participate in this program next year.

Tom Tate thanked all staff members for the hard work they do for CMS everyday.

Vilma Leake enjoyed participating at the recent playground build at Devonshire Elementary School. She attended the Creative Program at University Park Elementary School. She also attended a Parent Meeting for Lincoln Heights Elementary School at the Central Learning Community. She commended staff for holding this very successful meeting for the parents.

She visited the child who was recently injured in an accident. She commended Dr. Gorman and the CMS staff for their attention and support to the people of the community. She encouraged the community to pray for this child and her family. Ms. Leake visited several schools throughout the district.

George Dunlap thanked the corporate sponsors for their donations to CMS. He thoroughly enjoyed attending the dedication of the International Garden at Winding Springs Elementary School. This is a beautiful garden with flowers from the seven continents. This was a successful celebration because of the support of staff, parents, students, and a grant from Home Depot. He commended Home Depot because they have also committed to sponsor another event for a school in his district. He encouraged corporations throughout the district to sponsor events at CMS schools.

Trent Merchant thanked staff for coordinating the upcoming Work Sessions and Community meetings. He believes it would be more productive and timely for the community if some of the Work Sessions could be scheduled during the Regular Board meetings. Board members have already scheduled those meetings and staff is available. He expressed concern that this meeting would last less than two hours and it would have been a good opportunity to discuss additional matters. He said the scheduled meetings may not be timely for working parents because they are scheduled during May and June which is at the end of the school year when people are taking vacations and during the middle of the work day. He is concerned there will be low attendance at the meetings and they will not be productive. Mr. Merchant congratulated Ms. Leake on her recent victory in the primary election.

Molly Griffin also thanked staff for the great job they do everyday to support CMS.

Joe White said he has recently represented the Board and CMS at two events. He attended the North Carolina High School Athletic Association in Chapel Hill and the North Carolina School Board Conference in Greensboro. He said he would be glad to share this information with the Board members. He said the Emmy Awards were scheduled for May 20th. He said this is an important event to honor staff and he hoped all Board members would plan to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dunlap moved that the Board adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Griffin, and by consensus, the Board agreed to adjourn the meeting.

The Regular School Board Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Joe I. White, Jr., Chairperson

Nancy Daughtridge, Clerk to the Board