The Brunswick County Board of Education met on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 in the board room of the Brunswick County Schools Administrative Offices. Members present were: Harry E. Lemon, Jr., Chairman; John W. Thompson Vice-Chairman; Charles W. Miller, Catherine D. Cooke and Ellen Milligan. Also in attendance were: Leslie K. Tubb, Superintendent; Deanne Meadows, Assistant Superintendent/Chief Academic Officer; Darrell Cheers, Assistant Superintendent/Chief Accountability Officer; Helen Davis, Executive Director of Student Support Services; Jerry Oates, Chief Human Resources Officer; Sue Rutledge, Chief Operations Officer; Richard Green, Attorney; and Jill Coughlin, Executive Assistant to the Board.

Mr. Harry E. Lemon, Jr., Chairman, called the meeting of the Brunswick County Board of Education to order at 3:00 p.m.

The Invocation was given by Ms. Helen Davis. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Charlie Miller.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

PRESENTATIONS

1. Preliminary Design of Hitting Facility at South Brunswick High – Chief Operations Officer Sue Rutledge introduced officers of the SBHS Booster Club. Ms. Rutledge noted that $15,000 had been set aside in this year’s capital outlay budget to develop a design for the facility. Mr. Eric Bocook, president of the SBHS Booster Club shared a design that was developed by the boosters. The plan is for the booster club to raise money to help fund the facility. The board would like to see the design continue to develop and bring it back to the Board once it is finalized.

   Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the location and design of the hitting facility. The motion was seconded by Cooke and carried unanimously.

2. Accountability Presentation – Chief Accountability Officer Darrell Cheers shared test data, performance, and growth information with the Board. This data will be used to develop instructional plans with input from the school principals. Placement of Instructional Coaches will also be reviewed along with possible expansion of SREB for middle school math.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

1. Neil Gilbert, President of the Brunswick County Environmental Action Team shared his concerns regarding water quality in our schools. He urged the Board to do what was best for the students and employees of Brunswick County Schools.

2. Emily Donovan, parent of two Brunswick County Students, President of the Belville PAC and founding member of Clean Cape Fear addressed the Board regarding the water in our schools. She presented the Board with a petition from concerned citizens along with information regarding chemicals in our water.

3. Tom Goodwin, former superintendent and DPI employee also shared his concerns regarding water quality. He asked that the Board at least inform parents that there are some reasonable scientific concerns about the quality of water in Brunswick County.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. Milligan requested that Action Item #6 – Motorpool, be added to the agenda.

A motion was made by Cooke and properly seconded by Miller to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES
1. August 1, 2017 – Regular Meeting
2. August 8, 2017 – Budget Work Session
3. August 15, 2017 – Curriculum/Policy Committee
4. August 15, 2017 – Operations Committee

A motion was made by Miller and properly seconded by Cooke to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT ITEMS
1. Policy for 1st Reading
   - 6140 Student Wellness
2. Bus Driver Pay Table for 2017-2018
3. Budget Amendments

A motion was made by Thompson and properly seconded by Milligan to approve the Consent Items as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS
1. SREB Contract Addendum – Mr. Tubb presented the SREB Contract Addendum to the Board. The contract was amended to include implementation at Shallotte Middle School

A motion was made by Miller and properly seconded by Milligan to approve the SREB Contract Addendum as presented. The motion carried 4:0. Mr. Lemon recused himself from the vote.

2. Alternative School Local Option – At the December 2014 meeting, the State Board of Education approved a new policy for alternate schools’ accountability model. This policy remains in effect for the 2017-18 school year. There are four ways to participate in the Alternative Schools’ Accountability Model. Mr. Cheers presented the options to the Board and requested that the Board approve Option C: “Alternative schools may participate in the Alternative Schools’ Progress Model” for BCA for the 2017-2018 school year.

A motion was made by Cooke and properly seconded by Miller to approve the Alternative School Local Option as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

3. County Parent Advisory Council – The school parent advisory councils were presented to the Board. Upon review, it was found that Shallotte Middle and Supply Elementary shared a member which is not allowed by policy. Also, West Brunswick High School had 8 members. Policy states a school can have 5 – 7 members. The Board requested that these schools be contacted regarding these issues.

A motion was made by Thompson and properly seconded by Milligan to approve the Parent Advisory Council as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Schematic Design Review of Town Creek Schools – Mr. Doug Burns of KSQ Design reviewed the proposed schematic designs for the addition to Town Creek Elementary

A motion was made by Thompson and properly seconded by Cooke to proceed with the final design for the Town Creek Elementary school as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
Mr. Burns also reviewed the designs for the Town Creek Middle School with the Board. After much discussion, the Board approved KSQ to proceed with the development of scheme 2 concurrent with budget and show us what we can get for our money.

*A motion was made by Thompson and properly seconded by Miller to proceed with the development of scheme 2 for the Town Creek Middle School. The motion carried unanimously.*

5. Contract with Musco for WBHS Softball Lighting – The field lighting at the West Brunswick High school softball field is scheduled for replacement through this year’s capital outlay budget. The recommended product for WBHS is LED lighting with programmable controls. Staff recommended awarding the contract for $125,000 to Musco Lighting. The recommended manufacturer and installer would provide full maintenance service (parts, equipment and labor) on the lighting system for 25 years from the date of acceptance.

*A motion was made by Thompson and properly seconded by Cooke approve the contract with Musco Lighting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.*

6. Motorpool – Mrs. Milligan made a proposal to the board, requesting that the fleet vehicles be parked at the central office and checked out as needed for with the savings to be used for instructional supplies. She would like for the proposal to begin on November 1st. Mrs. Cooke said she would like to see more information regarding the savings. Mr. Thompson also stated that he would like to see more information before approving the proposal. There are possibly 8 cars that would be effected.

*A motion was made by Milligan and properly seconded by Lemon for all cabinet and out of county cars be parked at Central office in the formation of a motor pool so those cars could be checked out and used as needed. The motion carried by a vote of 3:2 with Thompson and Cooke opposed.*

**DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD MEMBERS**

1. The first county parent advisory council meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 26th at Shallotte Middle School with Mr. Lemon as the host board member.

2. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held at South Brunswick High School on October 3rd.

**CLOSED SESSION**

A motion was made by Miller and properly seconded by Cooke for the Board to enter closed session pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11(a)(1) to preserve confidential student information pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §115C-402, pursuant to §143-318.11 (a)(3) to preserve attorney-client privilege, and pursuant to §143-318.11(a)(6) to consider confidential personnel matters. The motion carried unanimously

The Board entered closed session at 4:58 p.m.

**OPEN SESSION**

Chairman Lemon called the open session to order at approximately 5:59 pm.

*Mrs. Cooke made a motion to approve the Personnel List and Addendum and Mr. Miller seconded the motion. The vote was 4 to 1 in favor of the motion with Mr. Thompson voting “no”.*
Mrs. Cooke made a motion to approve the Administrative Addendum and Mr. Miller seconded the motion. The vote was 4 to 1 in favor of the motion with Mr. Thompson voting “no”.

Chairman Lemon made a motion to adjourn, and Mrs. Cooke seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

The open session was concluded at approximately 6:00 pm.

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Secretary      Chairperson