

## SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

The Haywood County Board of Education met for their regular monthly board meeting on Monday, April 1, 2024 at the Education Center in Clyde, N.C.

Chairman Francis called the regular monthly board meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.

Mr. Logan Nesbitt gave the invocation and Chairman Francis led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chairman Francis made the following announcements:

- Steven Kirkpatrick and Jimmy Rogers are absent from the board meeting due to a prior commitment.
- Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, May 6, 2024 – 7:00 p.m. – Education Center
- Special Olympics – Friday, May 3, 2024 – 9:30 a.m. – Waynesville Recreation Center
- 2024 Graduation Dates
  - Haywood Early College – Friday, May 10, 2024 – 7:00 p.m. – HCC Auditorium
  - Tuscola High School – Friday, May 31, 2024 – 7:00 p.m. – WCU Ramsey Center
  - Pisgah High School – Saturday, June 1, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. – WCU Ramsey Center
  - Central Haywood High School – Monday, June 3, 2024 – 6:00 p.m. – HCC Auditorium
  - Haywood Community Learning Center – Thursday, June 6, 2024 – 5:30 p.m. – HCC Auditorium
- HCS Art Show – May 14-16, 2024 – 3:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. – Hazelwood Conference Center
- Quick Draw – Saturday, June 15, 2024 – 5:00 p.m. – Laurel Ridge Country Club
- Chairman Francis recognized the Haywood County Schools Board of Education for receiving the NCSBA Silver Bell Award.
- Chairman Francis recognized Ronnie Clark for receiving the NCSBA Certificate of Achievement for the 2022-2023 year.

Agenda adjustments were as follows:

- Add Class Size Waiver as # 12b
- Add five Building and Grounds Committee items as #15a.
- Add one Finance Committee item following #12.

Approved the amended April 1, 2024 Regular Board Agenda as presented by Chairman Francis.

Superintendent Trevor Putnam introduced Command Sergeant Major Ben Garner for a special recognition. He recognized SGT Caleb Henson for achieving the title of the North Carolina National Guard Best Warrior. Mr. Henson will compete in the Regional Best Warrior in Greenville, Kentucky this month representing North Carolina.

Recognized the following students who participated in Elementary Honors Chorus:

- Bethel Elementary – Henley Brown, Josie Silver
- Clyde Elementary – Caitlyn Donaldson
- Junaluska Elementary – Jaycie Fox, Rachel Mehaffey

Recognized Josh Justice as the 2024-2025 CTE Teacher of the Year.

No one addressed the Board during open session.

Approved the following minutes as presented by Chairman Chuck Francis.

- March 11, 2024 – Closed and Regular Session

Approved the 2024-2025 Haywood County Health and Human Services Agency Agreement for School Nurses as presented by Jill Barker.

Approved the Class Size Waiver for North Canton Elementary Kindergarten as presented by Jill Barker.

The following policies were presented for first reading and tabled for thirty days to allow for public input as presented by Graham Haynes.

- 2310 Public Participation at Board Meetings
- 5030 Community Use of Facilities

Approved the regular monthly finance reports as presented by Finance Committee.

Approved the payment plan for State Supplemental Legislative Funds for Teacher compensation as presented by Finance Committee.

Approved Budget Amendment #5 as presented by Finance Committee

Approved the Carpet One quote in the amount of \$43,291.52 to be paid from Capital Outlay as presented by Building and Grounds Committee.

Approved the installation of a baseball halo at Tuscola High School at no cost to Haywood County Schools as presented by Building and Grounds Committee.

Approved RYSE Construction for the Bethel Football Concession Stand & Demo to be paid from existing grant funds as presented by Building and Grounds Committee.

Approved Express Carport Building for the Bethel Football Concession Stand as presented by Building and Grounds Committee.

Approved FenceScapes Contract for the installation of a steel fence at Waynesville Middle School to be paid by existing safety grant; presented by Building and Grounds Committee

Approved the following personnel as presented by Trevor Putnam.

### **Haywood County Schools-Board Meeting**

**4/1/24**

#### **PERSONNEL FOR INFORMATION**

#### **Separation from Employment**

#### **NAME-POSITION, SITE, REASON**

Angela Ledford-Teacher, CLY, Resignation

Valerie Guyer-Media, NCE, Retirement

Michelle Davis-Teacher, CLY, Retirement

Jennifer Williamson-Teacher, CMS, Retirement

Ricky Warren-Teacher, CMS, Retirement

Mickie Limbo-CN Mgr, NCE, Retirement

Jennifer Taylor-CN Asst, BMS, Resignation  
Mikell Clark-Webb-School Counselor, CHHS, Retirement  
Dana Moritz-Teacher, BES, Retirement  
Holly Trull-Teacher, BES, Retirement  
Lori Moody-Teacher, NCE, Retirement  
Margaret Rogers-HR Data Mgr, CO, Retirement  
Alexandria Varner-After School Director Only, RES, Resignation  
Brian Ferrell-Counselor, BES, Resignation

## **PERSONNEL FOR APPROVAL**

### **Employment**

#### **NAME-POSITION, SITE, REASON**

Jerry Kirkpatrick-Bus Driver, JES, PT 10 mth replacing Brittany Fuller  
Jose Raya-Custodian, CLY, FT 12 mth replacing Karson Murphy  
Jackie Lankford-CN Asst, THS, PT 10 mth replacing Rebecca Kamperschroer  
Hannah Gibson-After School/Summer Care, MES, PT 12 mth as needed  
Jennifer Kruk-Asst Principal, PHS, FT 11 mth replacing Layna Cope  
Jerald Scott Campbell-Teacher NJROTC, PHS, FT 12 mth replacing Jeremy Riddle

### **Employee Status Change**

#### **NAME-POSITION, SITE, ADD/MOVE/REMOVE/CHANGE**

John Craven-Bus Driver, THS, Add EC Bus Driver replacing Jennifer Wilson 6 hrs & 15 min/wk  
Gillian Gregory-EC TA, RES, Add AM Bus Driver #57  
Kristen Herring-Counselor, CLY, Move from CLY to JVE/RES replacing Alicia Martin  
Krista Norris-CN Asst, MES, Add Transportation Safety Asst  
Jessica Dotson-EC Teacher, THS, Add EC Sub Bus Driver  
Robert Ulmer-Teacher, THS, Add After School Tutoring 10 hrs  
Karl Dune-Teacher, THS, Add After School Tutoring 10 hrs  
Michelle Ware-Teacher, THS, Add After School Tutoring 10 hrs  
William Covin-Teacher, THS, Add After School Tutoring 10 hrs  
Lori Leech-Teacher, THS, Add After School Tutoring 10 hrs  
Linda Estes-Teacher, THS, Add After School Tutoring 10 hrs  
Madeline Rigdon-Teacher, THS, Add After School Tutoring 10 hrs  
Sue Orbock Miller-Teacher, THS, Add After School Tutoring 10 hrs  
Kirsten Earley-Teacher, NCE, Add All County Concert and NC Symphony 12.5 hrs  
Donna Bell-TA, JVE, Add Transportation Safety Asst  
Anthony Wait-Coach, CMS, Add Bus Sub as needed  
Macie Lanning-After School, BES, Add After School/Summer Camp NCE <19.5 hrs/wk  
Patrick Steven Mann-Bus Driver, NCE, Add Transportation Safety Assistant Sub  
Amanda Lanning-Teacher, NCE, Add After School/Summer Camp Sub  
Gracie Mann-TA, NCE, Add After School/Summer Camp Sub  
Dawn Johnson-TA, CLY, Add After School <6 hrs/wk  
Blaine Williams-Teacher, CMS, Add After School Tutoring 2 hrs/wk  
Zachary Williams-Teacher, CMS, Add After School Tutoring 1 hr/wk  
Norma Warren-Teacher, CMS, Add After School Tutoring 4 hrs/wk  
Jamie Fuentes-Teacher, CMS, Add After School Tutoring 4 hrs/wk  
Danielle Best-Teacher, CMS, Add After School Tutoring 2 hrs/wk  
Amanda Wells-Asst Principal, THS, Add Attendance Recovery 6 hrs/wk  
Kelly Williams-Teacher, THS, Add Attendance Recovery 12 hrs/wk  
Linda Estes-Teacher, THS, Add Attendance Recovery 12 hrs/wk

Ashley Pace-Teacher Lead, THS, Add Attendance Recovery 6 hrs/wk  
Tracy Nuzzo-Transportation Safety Asst, JES, Add Part Time Summer Camp  
Bailey McFee-TA, CLY, Change to FT 10 mth Permanent  
Julie Smith-TA, CLY, Change to FT 10 mth Permanent  
Elsie Buchanan-TA, HES, Change to FT 10 mth Permanent  
Katrina Owen-TA, HES, Change to FT 10 mth Permanent  
Elizabeth Swanger-TA, HES, Change to FT 10 mth Permanent  
Gracie Mann-TA Counseling, HES/NCE, Change to FT 10 mth Permanent  
Krissy Deaver-TA EC, HES, Change to FT 10 mth Permanent  
Emily Fama-Asst Principal/Lead Teacher, BES, Change to FT 11 mth Asst Principal, FT 10 mth Lead Teacher/Asst Principal  
Bridgette Brooks-Asst Principal/Title I Teacher, HES, Change to FT 11 mth Asst Principal, FT 10 mth Title I Teacher/Asst Principal  
Joshua Simmons-Asst Principal/Lead Teacher, CMS, Change to FT 11 mth Asst Principal, FT 10 mth Lead Teacher/Asst Principal  
Courtney Myers-Asst Principal/Lead Teacher, BMS, Change to FT 11 mth Asst Principal, FT 10 mth Lead Teacher/Asst Principal  
Nancy Beeker-Principal Mentor, BES, Add Principal Mentor CLY

**Staff Coach**

**NAME-POSITION, HEAD/ASSISTANT, BOYS/GIRLS**

Amber Benhart-Cheer, Head, Girls, WMS

Trevor Putnam introduced Pisgah High School Principal, Clint Conner for a special introduction.

Principal Conner introduced Jennifer Kruk as the new Assistant Principal at Pisgah High School.

Mrs. Kruk addressed the Board and thanked them for the opportunity to serve as Pisgah High School's new Assistant Principal.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.