

RANDOLPH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Special Called Meeting

April 7, 2015  
Minutes

The Randolph County Board of Education met for a special called meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Central Services Board Room, located at the 2222 South Fayetteville Street Office in Asheboro. Board members in attendance were as follows: Board Chair Todd Cutler, Vice Chair Gary Cook, Brian Biggs, Tracy Boyles, Fred Burgess, and Matthew Lambeth. Board member Emily T. Coltrane was absent from the meeting. Also present were Superintendent Stephen Gainey, Leadership Team, and Attorney Jill Wilson.

**Open Session**

**Call to Order**

Todd Cutler, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

**Moment of Silence**

The Board observed a moment of silence before beginning the meeting.

**Consideration of receipt of additional technology funding**

Catherine Berry, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, shared that the Randolph County School System currently has a technology plan in place. A recommendation was being presented to the Board of Education to pre-approve spending up to \$2,635,200.00 for wireless networking and professional services to move to high density wireless for our schools. This funding would completely update the wireless equipment and wiring in our schools and would not require the use of any current or future Randolph County School System funds. The superintendent, Todd Lowe, Nan York, and Dale Brinkley reviewed this information over a three day window, as well as consulted with the auditor and felt a pre-approval from the board was needed. After review and discussion, Gary Cook made a motion; motion was seconded by Tracy Boyles to give authority to the superintendent on the board's behalf to accept all funds received pursuant to this request. Motion passed unanimously.

Upon conclusion, the superintendent thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Due to the April 16 deadline, this information could not wait until the April 20 Board of Education meeting. The superintendent also invited board members to attend a press conference on April 14 at Randolph Community College to announce a partnership between Asheboro City Schools, Randolph Community College, and the Randolph County School System.

**Adjournment**

Gary Cook made a motion; motion was seconded by Tracy Boyles to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Board Secretary