



**NERSBA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**NERSBA Technology Center**  
**Wednesday, September 21, 2022**  
**4:30 PM**

**1. Open Session-4:30 PM**

**1.1 Call to Order/Welcome: Mr. Benjie Forrest, Chairman**

**1.2 Roll Call: Mr. Billy Ray Askew**

Present: Benjie Forrest, Brian Busch, Julius Walker, Ethan Lenker, Simon Griffin, Jerry Phelps, Melva Lilley, Michele Spence, Joyce Moore, Trey Goodson  
Absent: Kenneth Harrell, Karen Clough, Susan Tyre

**1.3 Invocation & Untied States Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Julius Walker**

**1.4 Approval of September 21, 2022 Board Meeting Agenda: Mr. Benjie Forrest, Chair**

Mrs. Joyce Moore moved to approve the meeting agenda as presented by Mr. Davis followed by several seconds for the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote by the NERSBA board membership.

**1.5 Public Comments: None**

**2. NERSBA Scholastic Report: Mr. William Askew, Principal**

Mr. Askew presented a scholastic report regarding our operations at NERSBA as noted below:

~All NERSBA Classes are on pace for the 2022 fall semester

~Scholars and Faculty have completed the First Quarter with Parent/Teacher Conferences completed

~MCC late start classes began this week

~NERSBA was visited by ENC and the administrative staff of MCC the last week of August

~Mr. Askew participated in the RTI Network Principals meeting at RTI on September 15th

~Mr. Askew noted there have been a chance with respect to Exceptional Children's Services at NERSBA. Dr. Ethan Lenker has been instrumental in assisting NERSBA with securing staff for our program

~The initial round of formal teacher observations will be completed by October 2nd

~Plans are underway for our Career and Industry tours scheduled for October 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>

~University of Mount Olive scholars will participate in the UMO Academy Day on October 17<sup>th</sup> with Mrs. Michele Spence and Mrs. Julia Coltrain directing this event for NERSBA

Mr. Davis asked the board to keep the students and families from the University of Mount Olive that were involved with the September accident (with one of those students a recent NERSBA Graduate) in their thoughts and prayers.

### **3.0 NERSBA Financial Report: Mr. Hal Davis**

#### **3.1 NERSBA Fiscal Budget**

Mr. Hal Davis presented the financial information regarding our local and state funding sources. The state allotments for the current academic calendar have not been finalized to date. We hope these funds will be available by Friday and will see that information in the near future so that we may finalize our formal fiscal budget. Mr. Davis noted that we have been operating under a continuing budget resolution thus far during the school year.

#### **3.2 NERSBA Local Account Ledger Review: Mr. Hal Davis**

Mr. Davis reviewed with the board our local chart of financial accounts at our school. These funds are held at Southern Bank.

#### **3.3 NERSBA Finance Committee Meeting: Mr. Hal Davis**

Mr. Davis informed the board that he will contact the NERSBA Finance Committee to meet once State and Local Funds have been allocated to review and make any adjustments.

### **4.0 NERSBA Informational Items: Mr. Hal Davis**

#### **4.1 NERSBA Board Membership Information: Mr. Hal Davis**

Mr. Davis forwarded an updated contact information regarding our NERSBA Board of Directors membership.

#### **4.2 NERSBA Facility Upgrades/Renovations: Mr. Hal Davis**

Mr. Davis presented to the board a packet of current updates, costs, and plans for identified renovation projects and campus upgrades planned along with itemized estimated costs in the amount of \$397,000.00. Funds for these projects would be earmarked from the North Carolina Legislative Grant NERSBA received in June.

#### **4.4 NERSBA 2021-2022 Academic Performance Data: Mr. Hal Davis**

Mr. Davis reviewed with the board our scholastic performance data comparing NERSBA scholar performance information (pre and post pandemic). Mr. Davis congratulated our faculty on meeting growth expectations for the 2021-2022 school year.

### **5. NERSBA Action Items: Mr. Hal Davis**

#### **5.1 Approval of July & August 2022 Board Meeting Minutes: Mr. Benjie Forrest, Chair**

Corrections to be made: Joyce Moore is to be noted as present in the August board meeting minutes. Mr. Davis will make that correction before posting to the NERSBA website.

Mr. Jerry Phelps moved to approve the board meeting minutes with correction listed above. Mr. Ephraim Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed with an majority vote by the NERSBA board membership.

#### **5.2 NERSBA Employee Supplemental Proposal (from July 2022 board meeting presentation)**

Mr. Hal Davis reviewed with the board a budget adjustment where employees that have been employed by NERSBA for a period of ten-years (10) will receive a salary supplement in the amount of ten-percent (10%). This supplement would apply to all NERSBA faculty and staff.

Mr. Simon Griffin moved to approve the supplement increase as presented by Mr. Davis. With several seconds to seconds the motion passed with a majority vote by the NERSBA board membership.

6. **NERSBA Closed Session: NCGS 143-318.6 (Personnel)/NCGS 143.318.11.5 (Real Property)**  
Mr. Julius Walker moved to go into closed session under the statutes listed above. Mr. Ephraigm Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote by the NERSBA board membership.

**OPEN SESSION:**

Mr. Simon Griffin moved to approve the personnel recommendations as presented. Mr. Trey Goodson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote by the NERSBA board membership.

7. **Announcements: Mr. Hal Davis**

- 7.1 Rivers East Academy/NCEast Alliance: Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> @ Pitt Community College
- 7.2 University of Mount Olive Academy Day, Monday October 17<sup>th</sup>
- 7.3 NERSBA Board of Directors Meeting: Wednesday, October 19, 2022 @ 4:30 PM
- 7.4 FFA Alumni Reverse Raffle, Friday: October 14, 2022 @ 6:00 PM
- 7.5 NERSBA Pre-ACT (Sophomore Class): Tuesday, October 18, 2022
- 7.6 NERSBA FFA Jacket Presentation Ceremony: Thursday, October 20, 2022 @ 7:00 PM
- 7.7 National FFA Convention, Indianapolis, Indiana: Wednesday, October 26-29<sup>th</sup>

8. **Motion to Adjourn**

Mrs. Joyce Moore moved to adjourn meeting. Mr. Ephraigm Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed with an majority vote by the NERSBA board membership. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM on Wednesday, September 21st.

**Respectively Submitted:**

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**Mrs. Inga Stotesberry/Administrative Assistant      Date**