



September 19, 2019
NERSBA Board of Directors Meeting
NERSBA Technology Center
4:30 PM

1. OPEN SESSION

- 1.1 Call to Order: Mrs. Jean Woolard
- 1.2 Roll Call: Ms. Inga Moore
Present: Jean Woolard, Benjie Forrest, Christie Bell, Dwight Respass, Ephraigm Smith, Ethan Lenker, Jerry Phelps, Karen Clough, Kenneth Harrell, Melva Lilley, Terry Draper
Absent: Julius Walker, Sandy Maddox, Simon Griffin, Brian Busch
- 1.3 Invocation & United States Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Benjie Forrest

2. AGENDA

- 2.1 Approval of Board Meeting Agenda: Mrs. Jean Woolard, Chair
Mr. Hal Davis requested two adjustments to the agenda.
 - 1.0 The correct date of the August board meeting was August 17th, 2019 (see section 3.1)
 - 2.0 He requested that the NERSBA SERVPRO expenditures be moved to the Discussion (Action) section and become item 3.3.

Mr. Benjie Forrest moved to approve the agenda with the recommendations/adjustments as requested. Mr. Kenneth Harrell seconded the motion and the motion passed with a majority vote.

2.2 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Marrow, Mrs. Woolard, and Ms. Pearsall, facilitators at NERSBA, expressed their concerns about the addition of the driving Maverick on an emergency basis clause being added to their contract. They indicated that Senate Bill 125 stated that buses and drivers are the responsibility of each LEA and that they should not serve as the substitute bus drivers. They stated that they did not want to serve NERSBA in this capacity and become the LEA's scapegoat when they do not have a driver. This has happened in the past. What does an emergency basis mean? They currently do not receive any money payout only comp time. After many discussions and questions, Mrs. Jean Woolard stated, "Mr. Davis if these ladies still want to continue to work for us we will leave it like it is with the understanding to actively seek drivers". Mr. Davis replied, "we will continue the discussion in closed session under the personnel issue."

3. DISCUSSION (ACTION)

- 3.1 Approval of the August 17th Board Meeting Minutes: Mrs. Jean Woolard
Mr. Benjie Forrest moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Dwight Respass seconded the motion and the motion passed with a majority vote.
- 3.2 NERSBA Fiscal Budget Update: Mr. Hal Davis
 - A. NERSBA Finance Committee Meeting TBA

Mr. Davis noted that as soon as the budget is passed, he will contact the Finance Committee members to hold the meeting.

- 3.3 NERSBA SERVPRO Expenditure: Mr. Hal Davis
Mr. Davis explained that the bill from SERVPRO was a little over \$10,000.00. Martin County schools will be helping us out by giving us credit for a 1-month lease for October. Also, ask that the board members forfeit their months' salary for October to help offset some of the unexpected cost and this was discussed with Mrs. Woolard. Board members this is an option for you.

Mr. Kenneth Harrell moved to approve forfeiting one month of the board members' salaries to be applied towards the SERVPRO invoice. Mrs. Christie Bell seconded the motion and the motion passed with a majority vote.

4. DISCUSSION (NO ACTION)

- 4.1 NERSBA Legal Expenditures: Mr. Hal Davis
Mr. Hal Davis stated that at this time, the total expense for the lawsuit with Beaufort County Schools was \$251,763.27.
- 4.2 Moved to 3.3
- 4.3 NERSBA Instructional Programs: Mr. Hal Davis, Dr. Melanie Stanley
Dr. Melanie Stanley reported on the Capstone Project. NERSBA has about 47 students that are track to graduate in May 2020. They will be graded on an alpha scale on their Capstone Project. There are 5 different components:
1. Participation in the Senior Seminars which are held once a month in conjunction with the FFA meeting
 2. Research paper
 3. Complete 135 hours
 4. Product
 5. Presentation
- 4.4 NERSBA Strategic Plan/NERSBA Vision & Mission
Mr. Hal Davis reported the following with regards to the approved Strategic Plan:
- A. Policy Manual: We have been working on developing this with NCSBA with 200 different policies.
 - B. NERSBA Organizational Structure: Mrs. Patricia Speller is joining the NERSBA staff on Monday. She is taking Mrs. Julie Gurganus' position.
 - C. NERSBA Scholar Recruitment for 2019-2020
The recruitment process will begin October 2019. Mr. Davis requested that Mrs. Karen Clough assist him with scheduling recruitment meetings in Tyrrell County.
- 4.5 NERSBA Parental Advisory Committee Membership
Mr. Hal Davis reported that there were two openings (Washington and Beaufort County) on the committee.

5.0 CLOSED SESSION

- 5.1 NC G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) Personnel
Mr. Benjie Forrest moved to go into closed session per statue listed above.
Mr. Kenneth Harrell seconded the motion and the motion passed with a majority vote at 5:00 PM.

OPEN SESSION

Mrs. Karen Clough moved to approve the offer of \$25.00 an hour or comp time for the emergency bus drivers. Mr. Benjie Forrest seconded the motion and the motion passed with a majority vote.

6.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 6.1 University of Mount Olive AgFest: Thursday, September 19, 2019
- 6.2 NERSBA/RTI International Networking Event, Thursday, September 26, 2019
- 6.3 National Honor Society Induction Ceremony, Tuesday, October 1st, 7:00 PM
- 6.4 NERSBA Campus Workday: Saturday, October 5th @8:30 AM/NOON
- 6.5 NERSBA Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 17th @ 4:30 PM
- 6.6 NERSBA FFA Jacket Presentation Ceremony: Thursday, October 17th @ 7:00 PM
- 6.7 NERSBA FFA Alumni Fundraiser: Saturday, October 19th @ 5:00 PM

7.0 ADJOURN

- 7.1 Motion to Adjourn

Mrs. Karen Clough requested a new list of all committees and who serves on what committee. The motion to adjourn was made by all at 5:50 PM.