



Wednesday, January 17, 2018
NERSBA Board of Director Meeting
4:30 PM
Conference Call

1. OPEN SESSION-4:30 PM

1.1 Call to Order: Mr. Julius Walker, Chair

1.2 Roll Call: Mrs. Inga Spruill

Present: Julius Walker, Jean Woolard, Mac Hodges, Benjie Forrest, Dwight Respass, Kenneth Harrell, Ethan Lenker, Karen Clough, Jerry Phelps, Don Phipps, Christie Bell, Kenneth Boham, Ephraigm Smith

Absent: Joe Landino, Paul Spruill, Sandy Maddox, Simon Griffin

2. AGENDA

2.1 Approval of Board Meeting Agenda: Mr. Julius Walker, Chair

Mr. Benjie Forrest made the motion to approve the agenda as presented and was followed by a second by Mrs. Karen Clough. The motion passed unanimously.

2.2 NERSBA Instructional Program Updates: Mr. Hal Davis, Dr. Melanie Stanley

Mr. Hal Davis reported that NERSBA is moving forward with the Spring semester. Unfortunately, the weather has played havoc with the beginning of the 2nd semester. Dr. Melanie Stanley added that Martin Community College and NERSBA's other higher education partners have been working with us and the weather delays. She also reported that the important census assignments related to college courses are all due by 11:59 p.m.

3. DISCUSSION (ACTION)

3.1 NERSBA Academic Calendar Adjustments (Home Satellite Days Rescheduled to On-Campus Days) January 26th, February 9th, March 15th, March 28th, May 4th

Mr. Hal Davis reported that since we have missed a considerable number of days due to inclement weather. Our faculty and students have done a really good job working with the Home Satellite component and completing assignments posted by the faculty. Our faculty/parents parental advisory committee has agreed that we need to make some calendar adjustments from this point by converting some Home Satellite days scheduled later in the year to regular school days. Below are the dates that were proposed by Mr. Davis to change to regular school days:

- January 26th
- February 9th
- March 15th
- March 28th

- May 4th

Mr. Dwight Respass made the motion to accept the date adjustments as noted and this was second by Mrs. Jean Woolard. The motion passed unanimously. The updated calendar will be reprinted and posted on the NERSBA website along with hard copies being provided to the board members at the next BOD meeting.

Mr. Kenneth Harrell recognized and praised these parents for coming up with this suggestion.

Mr. Hal Davis thanked the board for their continued support of the Home Satellite Day component in terms of our organization.

3.2 HVAC Ductwork Cleaning Proposal:

Mr. Hal Davis reported that the heating/air ductwork is in desperate need of being cleaned and maintained. Mr. Davis requested that the board approve cleaning the ductwork for the health and safety of the staff and students. He provided a quote for this work by Carolina Quality Air in the amount of \$7,200.00. Mr. Davis noted that this company is contracted by several LEAs to complete similar work. According to Mr. Davis, Mrs. Baggett and himself can find the money in the budget without having to go into the fund balance. With the amount of flu and respiratory issues that is going around right now this is something we feel that needs to be done.

Mrs. Jean Woolard made a motion to move forward with this process.

Mr. Mac Hodges asked if this work had already been completed or has a date been set to complete the work. Mr. Davis indicated that they work had not been completed at this time and that he was seeking board approval for spending \$7,200 prior to allocating it without approval.

Mr. Mac Hodges continued by asking Mr. Kenneth Harrell if this is considered a maintenance issue for Martin County Schools since the building is their property and NERSBA is renting. Mr. Harrell indicated that he believed that the lease agreement indicates that this would be an expense that NERSBA must incur, not Martin County Schools.

Mrs. Jean Woolard asked Mr. Davis to explain if this would solve the heating and air issues that have been identified in the past. Mr. Davis indicated that he believed that this will help with the air quality issues and help be more efficient. Mr. Davis pointed out that there is mild/mildew build up in the registers and duct work that needs to be addressed.

After this discussion, Mr. Ephraigm Smith second the motion.

Mr. Dwight Respass inquired about more than this one quote. Mr. Davis indicated that this company was referred to him and they were the only company that he is aware who would conduct such services. The plan is for the company to come into the school over a 2 weekend period to complete the process.

Mr. Mac Hodges indicated that \$7,200 is 2 months' rent for the Jamesville building.

Mr. Mac Hodges requested that the board receive a copy of this quote before the work is started.

Mr. Harrell again referred to the lease agreement with regards to who is responsible for such a matter. Mr. Harrell believed that the agreement places this responsibility on NERSBA. Mr. Forrest agreed with Mr. Davis that there is no question that this work must be done, the issue is with only 1 quote is this price on mark.

Dr. Linker inquired with his finance department to determine if \$7,200 was reasonable for such work. Dr. Linker reported that he was confident that it was reasonable.

The motion passed with a 12 to 1 vote. Mr. Mac Hodges voted no.

4. ADJOURNMENT

4.1 Motion to Adjourn

Mrs. Jean Woolard made the motion to adjourn. This was second by Mr. Kenneth Harrell. The meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.