ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Administrative Offices - Board Room

85 Mountain Street, Asheville, North Carolina

Tuesday, November 12, 2024, 5:00 PM

Board of Education Members:
George Sieburg, Board Chair
Amy Ray, Vice-Chair
James C. Carter, Member
Liza Kelly, Member
Rebecca Strimer, Member
Sarah Thornburg, Member
Jesse Warren, Member

Superintendent: Dr. Maggie Fehrman

The Vision of Asheville City Schools is to Empower and Engage every child to Learn, Discover, Thrive.

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Information about Public Comments can be found below

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1. REGULAR MEETING

1.1 CALL TO ORDER - Board Chair, George Sieburg

Equity Statement:*In Asheville City Schools we are committed to equity and anti-racist policies for all students and staff to learn and thrive. We recognize that our positions come with power, responsibility, and public service for the entire ACS community. We will model our commitment to equity through our practices and decisions. During this meeting, we invite a pause if harm has taken place, a moment to name the harm, and space to practice repair.*

1.2 QUORUM DETERMINATION - Board Chair, George Sieburg

1.3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Board Chair, George Sieburg

1.4 APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Board Chair, George Sieburg

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

2. GOOD NEWS - Dr. Kim Dechant, Chief of Staff

2.1 School Spotlight

Claxton Elementary School - Sarah Wright, Principal

Asheville High School - Derek Edwards, Principal

3. Information Only Agenda Items

Wellness Policy and Student Mental Health Plan

McKinney Vento Report 2024

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Board Chair, George Sieburg

Public Comment Guidelines

In-Person and Virtual Public Comment Guidelines can be found by clicking the link above.

The Board of Education greatly appreciates your interest in the Asheville City Schools (ACS) and we welcome your comments to the Board. Please be mindful of the following guidelines (per policy 2310):

Personnel and student matters are confidential and are therefore not appropriate for public comment. If you have a concern about an employee or a student matter, please contact or see the superintendent after the meeting.

4.1 In Person Public Comment

4.2 Virtual Public Comment

Due to technical audio issues, there will be no virtual public comment available at the November 12th meeting. We apologize for the inconvenience. Comments can be emailed to Board Chair, George Sieburg at (george.sieburg@acsgmail.net), who will read comments aloud during the public comment portion of the meeting. (All public comment guidelines apply to written comments.)

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

5. CONSENT ITEMS - Board Chair, George Sieburg

5.1 Draft Minutes

Emergency Meeting - Asheville City Schools Media Notice - Minutes

REGULAR MEETING - Oct 14 2024 - Minutes

SPECIAL CALLED OPEN MEETING - Oct 21 2024 - Minutes

5.2 Student Releases to Buncombe County 2024-2025 - Tanya Presha, Director of Enrollment, Student Records, and Alumni Relations

5.3 The naming of facilities at 90 Montford Ave. - Dr. Darwin Carter, Innovative Program Director 5 - 12

Presentation Renaming and logo for WRC.pdf

5.4 Personnel Report - November

5.5 Contracts/MOUs - Dr. Dechant, Chief of Staff 13

Contracts List for Board Mtg 2024-11-04.pdf

Carley Stein

Young Transportation

Motion for Consent Agenda

6. ACTION ITEMS - Board Chair, George Sieburg

6.1 Personnel Report - November

Motion to approve the November Personnel Report

6.2 Helene Bonuses

Motion for Action Item

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Fehrman

8. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT - George Sieburg

Hunt Policy Institute

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE MEETINGS - Board Chair, George Sieburg

Thanksgiving Break

Wednesday, November 27th - No School for Students

Annual Leave Day for Staff

Thursday and Friday, November 28th-29th - No School for Students

Holiday for Staff

Work Session Meeting

Monday, December 2, 2024

Administrative Offices - Board Room

Regular Meeting

Monday, December 9, 2024

Administrative Offices - Board Room

2024-2025 ACS Board of Education Meeting Schedule

10. ADJOURNMENT - Board Chair, George Sieburg

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

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Renaming of 90 Montford Ave.

2024-2025 School Year

Innovative Education, Limitless Possibilties.



Background information:

Montford Avenue School, later William Randolph Elementary School at 80 Montford Avenue Built ca 1891, condemed in 1949. Renamed in the early 1930s for William F. Randolph, was the first Secretary of the Asheville School Board. Published Asheville Citizen.

Who is WILLIAM RANDOLPH ?

WILLIAM F. RANDOLPH

In the death of William F. Randolph Asheville loses a citizen who for fifty years has been one of the most useful and likewise one of the most beloved men in this community.

Born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, eighty-one years ago, Mr. Randolph moved to Asheville in 1885. Almost from the time he arrived he was a leader in the upbuilding of the place. Asheville at that time was a mountain village of perhaps 3,500 population. There was not a white public school in the town and the movement for establishing a public school system had stout opposition, winning eventually by a single vote. Mr. Randolph, who had fought for public schools, was named as one of the first trustees.

As in the matter of schools, so also in many other matters Mr. Randolph was vigorously active in that early period. He helped to carry the plan for the development of a city water supply, in the creation of a sewerage system, in the paving of streets, and proved himself in all such undertakings courageous, progressive and farseeing. A man just turned thirty when he came here, he was identified from that time on with the business and civic life of Asheville, knowing every one and known by every one. If any one thing was closer to his heart than the rest it was Masonry, which had his ardent devotion until the end of his days and in which the highest honors came to him. The Masons idolized him.

They were not alone, however, in the affection which Mr. Randolph drew from those who knew him. He was essentially a lovable man. "I never heard an unkind thing said about him," declared one who had known him for more than forty years. Upright, honorable, straightforward, civic-minded, full of fun, kindly, loyal, William F. Randolph was trusted, liked, respected, looked up to and leaned upon by older men in his youth and by young men in his old age. His passing is the passing of a landmark.







Pass to the Present with the help of the community

Names given:

William Randolph Campus

Cougar Academy of Excellence

ACE (Achieving Cougars of Excellence) Academy

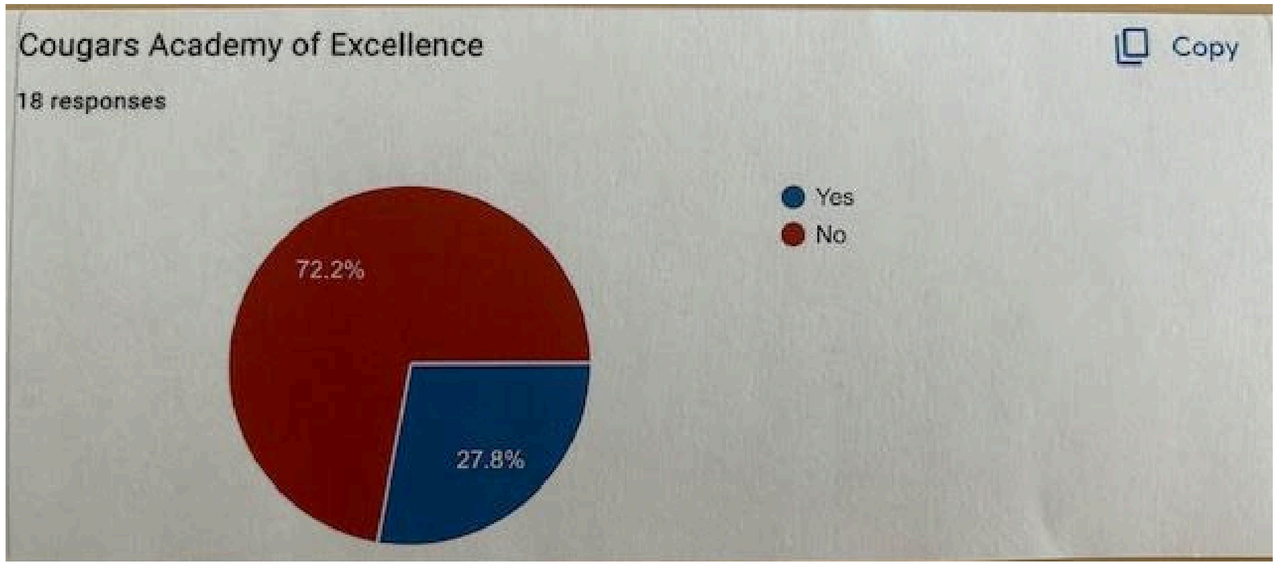
William Randolph Academy

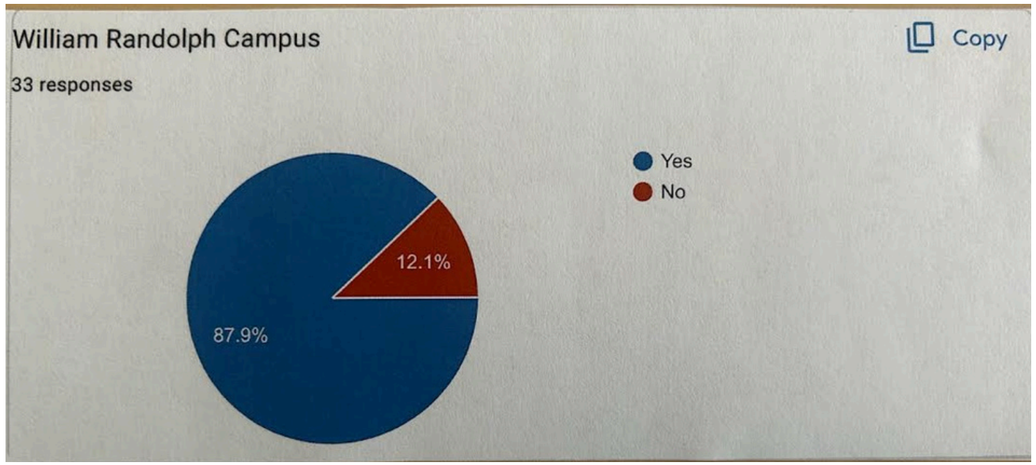
Asheville City Schools Academy of Excellence (ACSAE)

Stafford Academy- Lillian Exum Clement Stafford, Dykeman Academy- Wilma Dykeman, Montford Academy

Asheville Academy of Excellence

The two with the high numbers:







WILLIAM RANDOLPH WINS 87.9%

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Letter to the Board for the Proposed name for 90 Montford Ave. and the Logo agreement.



Click on logo for letter.

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CONTRACTS – For Approval

Carley Stein - Impact Literacy

TRY Inc DBA Young Transportation - Charter Bus, AMS 8th Grade Field Trip

CONTRACTS – Information only

AVID Center - AVID Partnership

Buncombe County Partnership for Children - Sustaining Facility Quality Grant

Discovery Education - Mystery Science Subscription

Erika Germer - Community Engagement Support

Excavation Specialist - Excavation Services

Lazel, Inc DBA Learning A-Z - Raz-Plus ELL Subscription

Lexia Learning - LETRS Online Subscription Additional

Parent Square - Engage 2023 Subscription

SUD Associates - Chiller Replacement Design at CLX

Tobii Dynavox - Boardmaker 7 Organization Subscription

TRY Inc DBA Young Transportation - Charter Bus, AHS AVID Field Trips

MOUs

Our Voice - Sexual Violence Prevention Education

Your Next Chapter - Mental Health Services