ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Work and Closed Session Agenda

Administrative Offices - Board Room

85 Mountain Street, Asheville, North Carolina

Monday, March 2, 2026, 5:00 PM

Board of Education Members:
Sarah Thornburg, Board Chair
Rebecca Strimer, Vice-Chair
Pepi Acebo, Member
Liza Kelly, Member
Amy Ray, Member
George Sieburg, Member
Jesse Warren, Member
Superintendent: Dr. Maggie Fehrman

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1. MEETING OPENING

1.1 CALL TO ORDER - Board Chair, Sarah Thornburg
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, Sarah Thornburg

1.3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Board Chair, Sarah Thornburg

Motion to Approve the Agenda

2. POSSIBLE ACTION/CONSENT ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

2.1 CCAR Six Agreements - Dr. Maggie Fehrman, Superintendent

2.2 Danish Exchange Program - Derek Edwards, Asheville High Principal
Consent

2.3 Contracts/MOUs - Dr. Kim Dechant, Chief of Staff
Consent

Capital Chevrolet - Purchase of three vehicles

James R Vannoy and Sons Construction - Renovations at Hall Fletcher

Trafera - Purchase of Student Chromebooks

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

3.1 Preliminary Budget Presentation - Dr. Maggie Fehrman, Superintendent, and Heidi Kerns, Chief Finance Officer
2026-2027 Preliminary Budget Information Presentation

3.2 Policies First Read - Dr. Maggie Fehrman, Superintendent
Policy Code: 3000 Goals and Objectives of the Educational Program
Policy 3000 Memo

4. CLOSED SESSION - Board Chair, Sarah Thornburg

The Chair will entertain a motion for the Board of Education to enter into a closed session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11 for the following purposes:

- **Under subsection (a)(1) to prevent the disclosure of privileged and confidential personnel information pursuant to G.S. 115C-319-321;**
- **Under subsection (a) (3) to discuss matters protected by the attorney-client privilege.**

AGENDA ITEMS

4.1 Personnel Report - March
Consent

4.2 Attorney Client Matters
Consideration of an Episode of Violence (see notes)

5. FUTURE MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS -

Board Chair, Sarah Thornburg

Regular Meeting

Monday, March 9, 2026

Administrative Office - Board Room

1/2 Day Board Retreat

Thursday, March 19, 2026, from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Wrong Way River Lodge & Cabins

9 Midnight Drive, Asheville, NC 28806

Spring Break

April 6th - 10th, 2026

Work Session

Monday, April 13, 2026

Administrative Office - Board Room

Regular Meeting

Monday, April 20th, 2026

Administrative Office - Board Room

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6. ADJOURNMENT - Board Chair, Sarah Thornburg

6.1 Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

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