ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Work and Closed Session Agenda

Administrative Offices - Board Room

85 Mountain Street, Asheville, North Carolina

Monday, May 4, 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. CCAR Six Agreements - Dr. Maggie Fehrman, Superintendent

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

3.1 FY 27 Budget Update - Dr. Maggie Fehrman, Superintendent, and Heidi Kerns, Chief Finance Officer
FY 27 Budget Presentation

3.2 Update on the Strategic Plan - Dr. Maggie Fehrman, Superintendent

Strategic Plan Update Presentation

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1 Policies and a Procedure

Spring 2026 Update (Information Only)

Policy Code: 1510/4200/7270 School Safety

Policy Code: 3430 School Improvement Plan

Policy Code: 3565/8307 Title I Program Comparability of Services

Policy Code: 4001 Equal Educational Opportunities

Policy Code: 7530 Military Leave

Information Only

Procedure Code: 6350-P School Bus Seatbelt

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

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

Consent

Compass Group USA Chartwell Dining Services - Food Services Management Co

EL Education - Staff and Leader Professional Development, Strategic Planning, Monitoring, and Implementation Support

Mountain Professionals - Drivers Education

Republic Services of NC - Waste and Recycling Collection

Tarheel Paving & Asphalt- AHS Parking Lot Repaving

TruBlue Services - Parking Lot Resealing at AHS, AMS, and Dickson

Western Waterproofing DBA Western Specialty Contractors- AHS Tuckpointing at CTE Building

Wilde Acre Landscapes - Lawn Mowing Services

6. 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

6.1 Personnel Report - May

6.2 Attorney Client Matters

7. FUTURE MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS -
Board Chair, Sarah Thornburg

Regular Meeting

Monday, May 11, 2026

Administrative Office - Board Room

Early Dismissal for Students

Friday, May 22, 2026

12:00 Noon K-5

1:00 PM 6-12

Holiday- Memorial Day - No School for Students and Staff

Monday, May 25, 2026

Work Session

Monday, June 1, 2026

Administrative Office - Board Room

Regular Meeting

Monday, June 8, 2026

Administrative Office - Board Room

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8. ADJOURNMENT - Board Chair, Sarah Thornburg

8.1 Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

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