NEW CASTLE COUNTY VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

May 20, 2019
7:00 p.m.

The following board members were present for the School Board meeting, which was held at Hodgson Vocational-Technical High School: Ms. Madeline Johnson, Vice President; Mrs. Cheryl Dennis; Mr. Robert Gilligan; Mr. Nello Paoli, Jr.; Mr. Mark Stellini; and Ms. Renee Taschner. Victoria C. Gehrt, Superintendent, was also present. Ms. Yvette Santiago, President, arrived at 7:50 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

REPORTS/SECRETARY/SUPERINTENDENT

Minutes
A motion was made by Mr. Gilligan and seconded by Mr. Stellini to recommend approval of the minutes of the April 15, 2019, regular meeting of the Board of Education. The motion was carried unanimously. Ms. Santiago, President, was absent from the vote.

COMMUNITY/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Hoey, Howard Alumni, made comments to the board regarding the Howard practice field.
Ms. Dixon, Howard Alumni, made comments to the board regarding a marquee out front of the 1927 Howard Historical Building. Ms. Dixon also made comments to the board regarding the Howard practice field.

RECOGNITION OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

District
Starfish Award – Dr. Victoria Gehrt, Superintendent
Presenters: Dr. Jerry Lamey, Principal, Hodgson Vocational-Technical High School
Dr. Clifton Hayes, Principal, Delcastle Technical High School
Ms. Colleen Conaty, Interim Principal, Howard High School of Technology
Dr. Shanta Reynolds, Principal, St. Georges Technical High School

Hodgson
Introduction: Dr. Jerry Lamey, Principal

Pro-Start
Presenter: Mr. Michael Paoli, Assistant Principal
Pro-Start Educator of the Year
Mr. Scott Cave, Culinary Arts Instructor
Mr. Gerald Allen, Jr., Culinary Arts Instructor
Ms. Megan McClelland, Culinary Arts Instructor

2nd Place Pro-Start Invitational
Darius Hale, 11th Grade, Culinary Arts
David Wilson, 11th Grade, Culinary Arts
Conner Goldsborough, 11th Grade, Culinary Arts
Jordan Hilton, 11th Grade, Culinary Arts
Cairo Green, 11th Grade, Culinary Arts

Poetry Out Loud
Presenter: Dr. Christine Colihan, Assistant Principal

State Champion and National Semi-Finalist
Chelsea Anokye-Agyei, 12th Grade, Nurse Technology

Poetry Out Loud Coach
Mr. Chris Vella, English Instructor

PUBLIC PRESENTATION

Hodgson

Hodgson Co-op Numbers for the Last 10 Years
Presenter: Mr. Bryan Moxley, Co-op Coordinator

Klein Tools Signing Day
Presenter: Dr. Jerry Lamey

District

Signing Day Recognitions
Presenters: Dr. Victoria Gehrt, Superintendent
Ms. Kathy Demarest, Community Relations & Public Information Officer

NCC Vo-Tech Education Association
No formal comments
President Santiago presided over the meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORTS
The motion was made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Stellini to approve the Financial Reports for April, subject to audit. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Howard Field MOU with City of Wilmington
Dr. Gehrt presented the revised copy of the Howard Field MOU with the City of Wilmington to the board for approval. The motion was made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Stellini to approve the revisions to the Howard Field MOU with the City of Wilmington. The motion carried with 5 affirmative votes, 1 abstention, and 1 no vote. Those in affirmative were Ms. Johnson, Mr. Stellini, Mr. Gilligan, Mrs. Dennis, and Mr. Paoli. Ms. Santiago abstained. Ms. Taschner was a no vote.

BIDS, QUOTATIONS, AND CHANGE ORDERS
Mr. Sean Sokolowski, Director of Business, presented the following change orders and bid to the board:

a. Howard 1927 Building Renovation Project: CREDIT Change Order #1/Contract #HHS-40 – Jottan Roofing Inc. – Credit of unused allowances in the amount of $28,842.70.
b. Howard 1927 Building Renovation Project: CREDIT Change Order #1/Contract #HHS-31 – Guardian Environmental Services – Credit of unused allowances in the amount of $38,573.00.
c. Howard 1927 Building Renovation Project: CREDIT Change Order #2/Contract #HHS-31 – Guardian Environmental Services – Credit of unused allowances in the amount of $12,068.72.
d. Howard 1927 Building Renovation Project: CREDIT Change Order #2/Contract #HHS-38 – Tri-State Carpet, Inc. – Credit of unused allowances in the amount of $55,794.00.
e. Howard 1927 Building Renovation Project: CREDIT Change Order #2/Contract #HHS-24 – Modern Controls – Credit of unused allowances in the amount of $9,365.00.
g. Bid Package A-01/Contract NCCVT-001 – Carrow Construction, LLC – Artificial turf practice field in the amount of $2,019,740.00. The motion was made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Paoli to award the contract for the artificial turf practice field to Carrow Construction, LLC in the amount of $2,019,740.00. The motion carried with 6 affirmative votes and 1 no vote. Those in the affirmative were Ms. Santiago, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Stellini, Mr. Gilligan, Mrs. Dennis, and Mr. Paoli. Ms. Taschner was a no vote.
REPORTS: PRINCIPALS/DIRECTORS/SPECIAL
Discussions were held regarding the board members’ comments on, and inquiries into, the monthly administrative reports.

NEW BUSINESS

2019 District Summer Hours
Dr. Victoria Gehrt, Superintendent, presented to the board for approval the 2019 Summer Hours that are scheduled to begin on June 17, 2019, and end on August 24, 2019. The motion was made by Mr. Gilligan and seconded by Mrs. Dennis to approve the 2019 District Summer Hours. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
At 8:04 p.m., the board went into Executive Session to discuss a parent’s request, an e-rate bid contention, personnel issues, and the superintendent’s contract. Mr. Gerald Allen, Director of Personnel/School Operations, was present for discussion on all the issues. Mr. Sean Sokolowski, Director of Business; Ms. Kathy Demarest, Community Relations & Public Information Officer; Dr. Joseph Jones, Director of Assessment & Accountability; and Dr. Victoria Gehrt, Superintendent, were present for all discussion on all the issues except the superintendent’s contract.

The Executive Session adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Ms. Santiago reconvened the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

Personnel
A motion was made by Mr. Gilligan and seconded by Mr. Stellini to approve the personnel actions (including the addendum, pg. 38a) as recommended:

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**NEW APPOINTMENTS (Continued)**
Howard | Chemistry Instructor (TFA) | Brandon Paik | 08/20/2019
Howard | Mathematics Instructor | Katrina Weaver | 08/20/2019
Howard | Nurse Technician Instructor | Angela Bayless | 08/20/2019
Howard | Custodian | Daniel Lopez | 05/21/2019
St. Georges | Mathematics Instructor | Raymond Wright | 08/20/2019
District | ESL Instructor | William Paulino | 08/20/2019
Addendum
Hodgson | Carpentry Instructor | Marcus Ellis, Sr. | 08/20/2019
Addendum
Howard | ELA Instructor | Matthew Doherty | 08/20/2019
Addendum
Howard | ELA Instructor | Molly Wisniewski | 08/20/2019
Addendum

**NEW APPOINTMENT – Degree Adjustment**
Howard | Chemistry Instructor (TFA) | Bradford Paik | 08/20/2019
Addendum

**STIPEND**
District | Business Office Coordinator II | Jennifer Thornton | 07/01/2019

**COACHING RECOMMENDATION – Step Adjustment**
Hodgson | Girls Soccer, Head Coach | Eric Brouilette | 2018/2019

**LOCATION CHANGE**
From: St. Georges | Class B Maintenance | Patrick Hitchens – Effective May 21, 2019
To: Hodgson

From: Delcastle | ELA Instructor | Letitia Coleman – Effective 8/20/2019
Addendum
To: Howard

**TEACHER LEADER CLUSTERS**
Delcastle | Digital Content Teacher Leader | Olga Beaver | 2019/2020
Addendum
Delcastle | Digital Content Teacher Leader | Sarah Dunn | 2019/2020
Addendum
Howard | Digital Content Teacher Leader | Stephanie Foster | 2018/2019
Addendum
Howard | Digital Content Teacher Leader | Nicholas Grajewski | 2018/2019
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Howard | Digital Content Teacher Leader | Brian Mitchell | 2018/2019
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Howard | Digital Content Teacher Leader | Lindsay Tietze | 2018/2019
Addendum

**FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCES**
Delcastle | Mathematics Instructor | Lisa Henderson – Effective May 1, 2019
St. Georges | English Instructor | Morgan Rhudy – Effective April 5, 2019
St. Georges | 10-Month Secretary | Patricia Williams – Effective April 23, 2019

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE – FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE/PAID PARENTAL LEAVE**
Delcastle | Mathematics Instructor | Corey Shepherd – Effective May 8, 2019

**RESIGNATIONS**
Delcastle | Custodian | John Chance – Effective July 5, 2019
Howard | English Instructor | Sydney Fisher – Effective June 30, 2019
Howard | English Instructor | Tracy Gamerman – Effective June 30, 2019
Howard | English Instructor | Kellie King – Effective June 30, 2019
Delcastle | Nurse Technician Instructor | Lisa Kittel – Effective 06/30/2018
Addendum
LOCATION POSTION NAME EFFECTIVE

RESIGNATION/COACHING
Delcastle Spring Track, Asst. Coach Jonathan Dickey – Effective May 14, 2019 Addendum

RETIREMENT/SERVICE
Hodgson Co-op Coordinator Bryan Moxley – Effective September 1, 2019
Hodgson Learning Support Coach Kathryn Bostock – Effective July 1, 2019 Addendum

RECALL – LOSS OF CERTIFICATION/NON-TENURED
St. Georges Mathematics Instructor Christine Mulrooney

RECALLS – LOSS OF CERTIFICATION/TENURED
Delcastle Automotive Technology Instructor Adam Leiter
Delcastle Cosmetology Instructor Lauren Pressey

RETURN FROM LEAVE OF ABSENCE
Howard CNAP Instructor Stephanie Foster – Effective April 29, 2019 Addendum
St. Georges English Instructor Morgan Rhudy – Effective April 29, 2019

The motion was passed unanimously.

Superintendent’s Contract
Mr. Gerald Allen, Director of Personnel/School Operations, presented to the board for approval the new superintendent’s contract. The contract period is from July 1, 2019, up to June 30, 2022. The motion was made by Ms. Taschner and seconded by Mr. Paoli for the board to approve the new superintendent’s contract. The motion passed unanimously.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Dates to Remember
Ms. Santiago asked the Board to take time to review the Dates to Remember.

ADJOURNMENT
A motion was made by Mrs. Dennis and seconded by Mr. Stellini to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Victoria C. Gehrt, Ed.D., Executive Secretary

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