

Guilford County Board of Education
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, August 23, 2017, 2:30 p.m.
Swann Room, GCS Administrative Offices



Present: Linda Welborn (Chairperson), Pat Tillman
Staff: Nora Carr, Angie Henry, Shirley Morrison, Kim Hipp
Absent: T. Dianne Bellamy Small, Darlene Garrett

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the July 18, 2017 meeting were approved.

2017-2018 Legislative Agenda – Linda Welborn

Committee will continue discussing the 2018 Legislative Agenda.

GCS Potential Priority Areas Discussion – Nora Carr, Angie Henry and Shirley Morrison

Nora Carr, Angie Henry and Shirley led discussions on the following potential priority areas: P-TECH high schools/Career Technical Education, class size mandate repeal and the need for more flexibility from the state regarding the hiring of retirees.

Next Steps

- Nora Carr and Pat Tillman will follow up with the Superintendent for direction on P-TECH/CTE next steps.
- Kim Hipp will scan and email the Legislative Subcommittee P-TECH presentation Pat Tillman referenced during the meeting.
- Nora Carr will ask Charles Blanchard and Bob Gantt to attend and/or share information regarding the Eastern Triad Workforce Development initiative funds (\$3MM).
- Nora Carr will ask Charles Blanchard to review language in the NC Senate Bill 257 (appropriations legislation) that relates to P-TECH/CTE. Kim Hipp will provide committee members with legislation and the identified sections for review.
- Committee to continue pushing NC legislature for more flexibility regarding K-2 class size reduction mandate, or a repeal of this legislation.
- Angie Henry's staff will continue to monitor costs associated with the class size mandate legislation. Full costs likely will not be available until November.
- Shirley Morrison and Angie Henry will review language drafted by Nora Carr regarding the district's position on hiring retirees for the 2018 Legislative Agenda.
- Shirley Morrison will provide Committee members with information regarding how the teacher/principal shortage is affecting GCS.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for September 21 at 10:30 a.m. **Note: This is a revised meeting date.**

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