



ACCA Governing Board
Special Board Meeting Minutes
August 3, 2022 12:00 pm
Rm 109

The meeting was called to order by Rita McElfresh, Vice President/Board Chair at 12:07 pm.

1. **Roll Call:** taken by Lusk
Present: Matt Miller, Tom Gaus, Rita McElfresh
Not Present: Audrey Sikula and Kevin Lacey
2. **Recognition of Visitors:** Shannon Lusk, Nichole Helenthal, Jim Hudson, Lori Wood, and Dr. Howard Walters
3. **Approval of minutes from June 22, 2022 Regular Board Meeting:** McElfresh motioned to approve the minutes. Gaus moved the motion and Miller seconded the motion. McElfresh called the question, all were in favor 3-0, motion carried.
4. **Public Participation:**
 - a. **Dr. Howard Walters, NC State College**

Dr. Walters addressed the ACCA Board concerning the NC State MOU and wanted to outline the Post secondary/Credentialing opportunities and programs beginning January of 2023, as well as to provide opportunity to ask questions. Ms. Lusk and Dr. Walters have been collaborating on this project since the Spring. Dr. Walters explained that Lusk negotiated that NC State provide CCP Counseling training to Mrs. Franklin who oversees ACCA Career/College Readiness and Student Success, Career/College Readiness training for ACCA students. CCP will be introduced as an option for those ACCA students who qualify for the program. Many faculty from NC State toured the ACCA Campus and Building yesterday. Among those guests in attendance was Dr. Dorey Diab, President of NC State College. Dr. Walters expressed that NC State as a whole is excited to collaborate with Ashland County Community Academy to provide post secondary certification(s) and post secondary coursework opportunities to the residents of Ashland County. Once the MOU is agreed upon and signed by both entities, NC State would like to publicly announce the partnership. Gaus wanted to check with the landlords and lease, and consult the policy manual about "use of facilities after designated school hours". The ACCA Board also wanted to check with local guidelines regarding the placement of NC State Signage on the front of the ACCA Building. Lori Wood inquired about some of the post secondary options for teaching professionals regarding CBI endorsement, and Dr. Walters stated that at this point in time, NC State does not offer such a program. Wood also asked Jim Hudson and Lusk to look into what

type of funds can be used for computers that would be jointly used for ACCA students and NC State Students. The ACCA Board thanked Dr. Walters for his time.

5. **Business of the Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent -**

Lusk asked the ACCA Board to approve resolutions for the following:
(Line Items 5-A1 through A3)

The ACCA Governing Authority Policy Manual (in its entirety) A1

2022-2023 ACCA Comprehensive Plan A2

ACCA 2022-2023 Enrollment Packet A3

McElfresh motioned to approve the resolutions for agenda line items 5-A1 through A3. Gaus moved the motion for approval and Miller seconded the motion. McElfresh called the question, all were in favor 3-0, motion to approve the resolutions was carried.

Lusk presented the following Vendor/Agency Contracts and MOUs for Board Approval:
(Line Items 5-B1 through B5)

Imagine Learning Contract 2022-2023 School Year

Ashland County Fair Booth Contract

Ashland Public Transit Contract

Mental Health and Recovery Board Contract (School Liaison Services)

Ashland County Sheriff's Department MOU and Invoice (SRO Services)

McElfresh motioned to approve the resolutions for agenda line items 5-B1 through B5. Gaus moved the motion for approval and Miller seconded the motion. McElfresh called the question, all were in favor 3-0, motion to approve the resolutions was carried.

Lusk presented the *Memo of Understanding Draft from NC State College (Line Item 5-B6)*. The ACCA Board decided that it would like more time to review the MOU, and it was suggested by Miller that the Board table the MOU and place it on the August 17, 2022 Regular Agenda for approval. McElfresh motioned to have the NC State MOU tabled. Gaus moved the motion to table the NC State MOU and Miller seconded the motion. McElfresh called the question, all were in favor 3-0, motion to table the NC State MOU was carried.

Lusk presented the *2022-2023 District Drill Calendar and District Assessment Calendar (Line Items 5C-1 through C2)* to the ACCA Board for review and approval. The Board reviewed the Calendars. McElfresh motioned to approve the 2022-2023 District Calendars. Gaus moved the motion to approve the 2022-2023 District Calendars and Miller seconded the motion. McElfresh called the question, all were in favor 3-0, motion to approve the 2022-2023 District Calendars was carried.

6. **New Business**

McElfresh proposed the addition of a sixth board member to sit on the ACCA Governing Board. McElfresh introduced the idea of adding Tom Marquette, a former Ashland City Schools Administrator and the Administrator who once was in charge of running the Ashland Alternative School, until it evolved into ACCA (Community School). McElfresh pointed out that adding another Board Member would increase the chances of meeting quorum and that Marquette's

experience in education would be beneficial. Miller asked Lusk her opinion, since Marquette ran the Ashland Alternative School many years ago. Lusk stated that the addition of Marquette could benefit the Board. Lori Wood reminded the Board Members to consult their By-Laws for guidance. Gaus stated that the Board in its entirety should discuss the addition of a new member before making a final decision. McElfresh and Miller agreed. McElfresh motioned to table the approval of Tom Marquette, ACCA Board Member Candidate, until the August 17, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. Gaus moved the motion, and Miller seconded. McElfresh called the question, all were in favor of tabling 3-0, and the motion to table was carried.

7. **Adjournment**

McElfresh motioned to adjourn the Special Board Meeting. Gaus moved the motion and Miller seconded. McElfresh called the question, all were in favor 3-0, and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

Rita A. McElfresh
ACCA Board Chair

8/17/22
Date

Jim Hudson
ACCA Treasurer

8/17/22
Date