

CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**Joint Meeting with the Board of Education****April 19, 2005****7:00 P.M.****Grandy Primary Board Room****Camden, NC****MINUTES**

A joint meeting of the Camden County Board of Commissioners and the Camden County Board of Education was held Tuesday, April 19, 2005 at 7:00 P.M. in Grandy Primary Board Room, Camden, North Carolina. The following Board members were present:

Board of Commissioners**Chairman Melvin J. Jeralds****Vice Chairman Clayton Riggs****Commissioners Jeffrey B. Jennings, Carolyn Riggs, Mike Andrews****County Manager Randell Woodruff****Clerk to the Board Ava Murgia****Board of Education****Chairman S. Clarence Jennings****Chris M. Wilson, Vice-Chairman****Members G. Wayne White, Brenda Sawyer, Terri Faison**

Also attending was Interim Superintendent Dr. John Dunn, Clerk to the Board Judy Blount, Herbert Mullen, Dan Porter, Clarann Mansfield, Ron Melchiorre, Faye Perry, John Leidy, Larry Lawrence and Mike Ross.

Chairs Jeralds and Jennings called the respective Boards to order.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss school development and school needs.

Dr. Dunn reviewed the following statistics: Student Population – 1,790; membership data as of 09-03-2004 – 1674; membership and capacity – 1,777; students by township – Camden – 846, Shiloh – 306, South Mills – 522; waste water expense as of 04-08-2005 - \$90,164.

Dr. Dunn discussed the Wastewater Treatment and Disposal System Expansion Analysis: Option 1 – Do nothing and wait for central sewer; Option 2 – Maintain current system status quo, supplement with new on-site system; Option 3 – Abandon the existing system, design and install a single one-site system. Dr. Dunn stated that the central sewer option is the best solution for addressing wastewater issues at the schools. Dr. Dunn presented short range plans, including construction and year round school.

Mike Ross, HBA Architecture, reviewed the construction phase options. Mr. Ross stated after the construction document is completed, he will send it to the state for review and approval. After state approval, construction bids will be received by September, and the school addition would be under construction by October, 2005. Mr. Ross felt that the school could not get permitted until the sewer system is in place.

Dr. Dunn stated the preferred is Alternate Bid Option C for a twenty four (24) classroom addition.

Dr. Dunn stated he and County Manager Randell Woodruff met with staff from USDA for funding options. County Manager Randell Woodruff stated school construction would require a \$.15 tax increase.

Commissioner Jennings was excused to attend another meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Following discussion, Commissioner Clayton Riggs made a motion for the Board of Education to proceed with Alternate Bid Option C as presented and direct Mike Ross of HBA Architecture to complete a set of drawings to be submitted to the state. The motion passed with Chairman Jeralds, Carolyn Riggs, Clayton Riggs and Andrews voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; Commissioners Jennings absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

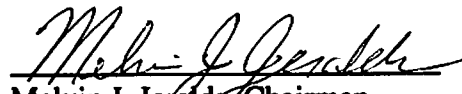
Board of Education member G. Wayne White made a motion to accept Dr. Dunn's recommendation of Alternate Bid Option C and authorize HBA Architecture to draw up plans to build entire intermediate school. Member Brenda Sawyer seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Adjournment

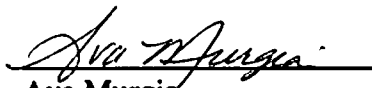
Commissioner Clayton Riggs made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed with Chairman Jeralds, Carolyn Riggs, Clayton Riggs and Andrews voting aye; no Commissioner voting no; Commissioners Jennings absent; and no Commissioner not voting.

Board of Education member Chris Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by member Terri Faison. The motion passed 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.


Melvin J. Jeralds, Chairman
Camden County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:


Ava Murgia
Clerk to the Board