

**Attendees – Voting Members**

Juan Areiza  
Michelle Feeney  
Leandrea Voskanian  
Vic Williams  
Robyn Guy  
Katie Hilton  
Laureen Krawiec  
Stacy Dockter

**Attendees – Other**

Terri North  
Bob Carnaroli  
Sylvia Cardona  
Sean Smith  
Tonya Davis  
Ed Stone  
Stephanie Pickens  
Jeannine Crowe  
Kristin Morrissey

- I. Call to Order  
The meeting was called to order by Terri North.
- II. Welcome and Introductions  
Ms. North welcomed the visitors and members and asked everyone to introduce themselves.
- III. Approval of the Agenda  
First motion to approve the agenda was made by Vic Williams. Second motion: Michelle Feeney. All members approved the agenda.
- IV. Approval of Minutes  
First motion to approve the agenda was made by Robyn Guy. Second motion: Michelle Feeney. All members voted in favor of approving the minutes.
- V. New Business
  - a. Presentation on FCS Legislative Priorities – Kristin Morrissey, Vice-Chair BOE Member, shared 2020 legislative priorities and highlights. Forsyth County Schools is focused on three opportunities: keeping students and teachers safe by adding more counselors and School Resource Officers in schools, recruiting and retaining teachers by increasing state funding, and supporting the state and local partnership by continuing to fully fund the QBE and increasing capital outlay to support growth in student enrollment. Mrs.

Morrissey also shared the preliminary discussion to lower the number of standardized tests students are required to take because Georgia tests more than the Federal government required amount.

- b. 8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Activities for Denmark High School – Bob Carnaroli, Denmark High School Assistant Principal, outlined the transition activities that are offered to upcoming freshman and their parents. Denmark starts early with activities and offers many sessions to reach as many new students as possible. The Great Dane Experience that was held on February 8<sup>th</sup> had a large turnout. The next activity will be for middle school students to tour the building, visit classrooms, and learn about courses and academic programs. The middle schoolers will be partnered with a high schooler during their visit. Additionally, families new to the area are offered tours on Fridays during the school day.
- c. Brief Club Presentation:
  - i. Geography Club – The sponsor, Sarah Fogg, holds weekly meeting with 10-15 students from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The initial focus is preparing for the Social Studies Fair and the Geography Bee, which is held in January. After the competitions, the group talks about current events.
  - ii. Math Club – Dan Praskovich, Lindsey Carter, and Tara McClelland co-sponsor a team of 25 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students that meet on Monday mornings. Competitions are available for students during the year with a Regional Competition on February 8<sup>th</sup>. Two students qualified for the State Competition.
  - iii. Fantasy Football – Dan Praskovich is the sponsor of the 10-12-member club of 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades students that enjoy creating a fantasy football team on a weekly basis. The club is modeled after apps that are available but in a face-to-face setting. Mr. Praskovich hopes the experience helps students connect with parents and/siblings that also enjoy football.
  - iv. Soccer Intramural – Dan Praskovich will be sponsoring a co-ed soccer club this Spring for 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders. The group meets Wednesday mornings and they will play at Denmark High School in a tournament against other Forsyth County middle school teams.

VI. Adjournment.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Stacy Dockter. Second motion: Robyn Guy. All members voted in favor of adjourning the meeting at 8:46 AM.