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Mrs. Hillary MacKenzie

Thank You for Your Service

The Orange County School Board bid farewell to two outgoing members Monday evening. We are forever thankful for the service of Mrs. Hillary MacKenzie and Mrs. Brenda Stephens.



Mrs. Brenda Stephens

The Board honored **Mrs. Hillary MacKenzie** for her service during a global pandemic, and **Mrs. Brenda Stephens** for 20 years of service on the Orange County Board of Education. We are so proud to have been part of the legacies they leave upon this school system and the communities they serve. Each received a special plaque made by OCS students, to serve as a tangible reminder of our appreciation for their service on the school board. Mrs. Stephens was presented with a floral arrangement in honor of her longevity on the board.

Weather Spotter Appreciation - Mr. Bobby Barwick, Jr., a former student, has supported OCS as a volunteer weather spotter for 8 years. The Operations department recognized him for his service and dedication to keeping OCS staff and students safe whenever severe weather is on the horizon.

Board Action Items:

The Board approved the following insurance policies necessary for OCS to participate in the **North Carolina Schools Boards Trust:** Automobile/Inland Marine Fund; Workers' Compensation Fund; and the Errors & Omissions/General Liability Fund for the 2022/2023 fiscal year. ([slides 23-24](#))

The Board approved the recommendation to use *rethinkEd* as the **SEL curriculum** to implement in the 2022-2023 school year, as well as the allocation of funding. This SEL curriculum offers lessons of varying lengths of minutes that can easily be integrated into schedules throughout the school day. ([slides 25-36](#))

The Board approved the **2022-2025 AIG Plan** as presented. ([slides 37-71](#))

The Board approved the annual **Operations Department recurring contracts** for the new fiscal year ([slides 72-75](#))

- Security Maintenance Service Contract with Stanley Security Systems (dba "Sonitrol")
- Landscape and Fire Ant Services with Murray's Landscape Maintenance & Horticultural Services, LLC.
- The district will use Dzeel clinical again in 2022-2023 and will also offer a contract to Intellichoice Home Care for nursing support as an alternative when there are nursing shortages.

Please Note: These are not the official minutes of the school board work session. The official minutes and all board policies are located [here](#).

BOARD Matters



Also in Board action...

Child Nutrition staff **will be placed on the newly implemented classified pay scales, Grade 55**, which were previously approved for classified staff who were not paid out of enterprise funds. **Child Nutrition Managers will be placed on a Grade 58** pay scale. [\(slides 18-22\)](#)

Child Nutrition Managers will also receive an additional supplement:

- 0-10 years experience in the Child Nutrition Services Field = \$250/month
- 10-20 years experience in the Child Nutrition Services Field = \$350/month
- 20+ years experience in the Child Nutrition Services Field = \$450/month



The Board also approved new **teacher/certified local staff supplements based upon years of service** for years accrued in the state and not just for years accrued in Orange County Schools.

NEW Health and Safety Updates as of June 27, 2022 [\(slides 76-80\)](#)

The board approved the Health & Safety Updates for June 27th for indoor masking by program or campus, according to the indications that follow. **These guidelines define and clarify when indoor masking would be required in the school district over the summer months:**

- **Cluster identification*** would require indoor masking for a period of 10 days. The required masking would only be required for the summer program impacted by the cluster and not the entire campus. Students who cross over programs, or inter-mix for buses or meal times, would require masking by both programs.
- If the Orange County Health Department (OCHD) receives reports of 15+ positive COVID-19 cases within a 14-day period within a school's population (by campus)—and OCHD identifies a cluster without an epidemiological link, per new additional state definition of cluster—the entire campus is required to mask for 10 full days indoors, after it has been identified.
- Mask exemptions for certain populations, as previously outlined, remain in effect.

****NEW revised cluster definitions: NC Department of Public Health recommends the following definition for reporting clusters of COVID-19 in non-congregate living settings.***

Criteria to report a cluster in a non-congregate living setting:

- A minimum of five laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 within 14 days with evidence of epidemiological linkage between cases OR
- 15 or more laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 within 14 days associated with the same setting or facility in the absence of specific information about epidemiological linkage.

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