

# Next Step

A report on Board action  
Cumberland County Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
**January 9, 2018**

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## Administrative Recommendations Approved

### Assistant Principals

Brentwood Elementary	Ebonique Ingram
College Lakes Elementary	Rachel Robinson
Ed V. Baldwin, Jr. Elementary	Stephanie Matarese
R. Max Abbott Middle	Scott Witherow

### Central Services

Board Attorney	Nickolas J. Sojka, Jr.
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### Recognition of Ex-Officio Members

Student Government leaders Nia Washington from Douglas Byrd High School and Wade Williams from Cape Fear High School served as ex-officio members of the Cumberland County Board of Education. Ex-officio members are given the opportunity to make comments, ask questions, and give input on any topic brought before the Board.

### Alternate Use of Funding Allocation Approved

Because of the lack of qualified-applicant interest in four additional school nurses positions for the 2017-2018 school year, the Board voted to use the allocated funds for the positions in an alternate way. Members of the Board approved a proposal that would use a portion of the funds allocated for one of the positions to extend many 35-hour nurses to 40 hours for the remainder of the school year thereby increasing much-needed service hours to the assigned schools. The three other positions remain available. The Cumberland County Department of Public Health worked to attract and recruit qualified nurses by advertising on the Cumberland County Website, the Public Health Alliance Website, the local newspaper, an electronic billboard, the agency's Facebook page, and on the Health Department's electronic marquee (facing Ramsey Street).

### Board Recognitions

Betty Musselwhite, the associate superintendent of School Support Services, introduced the following honorees to the Board to be recognized:

#### Board of Education

**Carrie Sutton**  
Chair  
District #3

**Donna Van**  
Vice-Chair  
District #4

**Judy Musgrave**  
At-Large

**Rudy Tatum**  
At-Large

**Greg West**  
At-Large

**Alicia Chisolm**  
District #1

**Porcha McMillan**  
District #2

**Susan Williams**  
District #5

**Peggy Hall**  
District #6

**Interim Superintendent**  
Tim Kinlaw

**December's 2017 Amazing Acts of Character Award Recipient** – Student Honoree Kellen McNeill from South View Middle School was recognized for displaying 'acts of good character' above and beyond expected behavior. Members of the Board extended personal congratulations to Kellen.

**Burroughs Wellcome Fund Check Recipients** – Alfred Mays, the program officer for Science Education and Diversity in Science at Burroughs Wellcome Fund, presented Principals Dawn Collins from Gallberry Farm Elementary, Katrina McKinnon from Gray's Creek Elementary, and Tim Gardner from Alderman Road Elementary schools with a \$130,000 check for ongoing support in the schools' efforts to begin Phase 2 of the Singapore Math Pilot.

Board Chair Carrie Sutton extended 'words of thanks' on behalf of the Board to the students and staff at Westarea Elementary School and the members of the Cumberland County Association of Principals and Assistant Principals (CCAPAP) for their tokens of appreciation in observance of School Board Appreciation Month (January).

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