

School Board discusses goals for 2002-03

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The Kings Mountain Board of Education met to discuss its goals for the new year which are expected to be passed at its August meeting.

School board members settled on five points to consider at a special meeting Monday night.

One of the goal possibilities was to achieve expected growth or better on state tests.

"I'd like for that to be the first one," School Board Chairman Shearra Miller said.

Board member Jerry Blanton suggested adding a part about advancing the workforce development pro-

gram at the high school.

Currently the school system approved plans for purchasing the Lambeth Rope property across from the high school.

Giving more recognition to students achieving high on vocational tests was also mentioned.

Forming a committee to suggest technical goals was suggested by board member Terry McClain.

While settling on current goals to be considered, School Board Vice Chairman Stella Putnam suggested removing character education as a goal for next year.

Communication was another possible goal discussed during the Monday meeting.

Previously, the board approved creating a community relations position but those plans have been put on hold.

One way of increasing communication was updating school websites, Board member Mike Smith said.

"We could put a lot of stuff on those web sites," he said. "There's so much we're not taking advantage of."

Miller said she would like to see more of the system's positive news communicated while Smith said he would like to see the board be more responsive to citizen concerns.

"Personally, I don't think we've been responsive to public concerns since I've been on the board," he said. Smith said a lot of positive

things such as school honor rolls have been communicated.

Smith and Miller both mentioned other concerns toward the end of the meeting.

Miller said she would like to see more cultural arts recognition and Smith said he would like to see more accountability of people getting in free at high school football games.

The board met in closed session at the end of the meeting and approved the following personnel list when it came back to open session:

Contracts: Crystal Majors, kindergarten, Grover, Tammie Welch, ex. children, High School, Lynn Brown, second

grade, Bethware, Donna Haskett, kindergarten, West, Susan Underhill, language arts, Middle School, Richard Rupp, Technology, Middle School, Matt Stroup, Biotechnology, Middle School, Casey Goforth, fifth grade, Intermediate School, Kim Lowry, Science, High School.

Classified: Brandy Hargett, hearing interpreter, High School, Judy Hawks, cafeteria/bus driver, Middle School, Patsy Leigh, cafeteria/bus driver, Middle School, Ted Faris, custodian, North, Susan Vestal, teacher assistant, Bethware, Kathy Bridges, cafeteria/bus driver, Grover.

Resignations: Zoltan Thornburg, custodian/bus

driver, Davidson, Tracy Price, hearing interpreter, High School, Darlene Schwantes, fifth grade, Intermediate School, Angela Dawkins, teacher assistant/bus driver, Grover, Dana Smith, fifth grade, Intermediate School, Marie Morris, science, High School.

Transfers: Amy Ware, first grade-East to Media-West, Ann Tria, cafeteria-Intermediate to Middle, Keith Parks, custodian-High School to Custodian/Bus Driver - Davidson, Janet Gardner, teacher assistant-North to Title I assistant-Grover, Debbie Wright, cafeteria/bus driver to teacher assistant/bus driver, Grover.

Leave of Absence: Brenda Sarvie, cafeteria, Grover.



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Orientation planned at Intermediate School

Kings Mountain Intermediate School will host fifth grade orientation on Tuesday, August 6 and sixth grade orientation on Thursday, August 8.

Students and parents may come to either of two sessions at 1:30 p.m. or 6 p.m.

Parents and students will gather in the gymnasium for a brief program consisting of introductions and directions for exploring the school. Students will then have the opportunity to find their classrooms, meet their teachers, and learn about the new school.

For more information or questions, please call Kings Mountain Intermediate School at 734-5658 or Debbie Patterson at Kings Mountain District Schools office at 734-5637 ext. 102.

Open house set at new 5-6 school

Kings Mountain District Schools will host a community open house at the new Kings Mountain Intermediate School, 227 Kings Mountain Boulevard, Sunday, August 4 from 2-4 p.m.


The public is invited to tour the school and meet the faculty and staff. Light refreshments will be served in the cafeteria.

For more information call the school at 734-5658.


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