

WAKE COUNTY
HEALTHY SCHOOLS TASK FORCE – MINUTES
February 27, 2003

Task Force Members Present:

Dick Daugherty (Co-Chair)	Debra Horton	Tammie Moore	Curt Stangler	Kathryn Watson Quigg
Dudley Flood (Co-Chair)	Janet Howard	Liz Parry	Keith Sutton	Superintendent McNeal
Barbara Freedman	Jim McClure	Hilda Pinnix-Ragland	Ralph Thompson	Patti Head
Patti Gillenwater	Lori Millberg	Ervin Portman	George Wait	Amy White
Ricki Grantmyre	Doug Miskew	Marion Robinson	Reuben Young	Susan Parry
Tony Habit	Mike Mitchell	Joel Rosch	Marco Zarate	Bill Fletcher
			Walt Sherlin, Staff Liaison	

Dr. Dudley Flood opened the meeting at 5:01 p.m. Dr. Flood explained that the January 23 meeting was canceled because of inclement weather conditions.

Dr. Flood asked the members that were not in attendance at the December 12 meeting to introduce themselves.

Dick Daugherty made a motion to approve the December 12th minutes, seconded by Liz Parry. The vote was unanimous.

The suggestion to have a timekeeper was also brought forward. It was decided that whoever is the chairperson of the committee would serve as the timekeeper. The ground rules, which were set beforehand, were discussed and will be posted at each meeting. It was stated the present rules could be changed and new rules could be adopted. A discussion was also held on keeping their information confidential. It was explained that the confidentiality rule was inserted because at some point the group would breakup into subcommittees. These subcommittees should not state a resolution that had been made without consultation and discussion with the entire group. "*Maintain Confidentiality of Discussions*," was deleted from the Healthy Schools Task Force Rules. Reuben Young made a motion to approve the amended Healthy Schools Task Force Ground Rules with the deletion of "*Maintain Confidentiality of Discussions*," seconded by Curt Stangler. The vote was unanimous.

Dr. Flood opened the floor for discussions or revisions to the four major issues that the Task Force will attempt to address. They are: academic success for all WCPSS students in grades K-12, diversity in schools, capacity utilization of existing and future facilities, and community expectations of our public school system. Debra Horton made a motion to approve the "Issues to Consider" with no changes, seconded by Barbara Freedman. The vote was unanimous.

Chuck Dulaney, Director of School Accountability gave a presentation on WCPSS testing outcomes for the 2001-2002 school year. He reported that WCPSS end-of-grade tests showed increases in 2002 at all grade levels in both reading and mathematics. The increases were both in the percentage of students scoring at Levels III and IV and in the average scale scores for all students. Presentations yet to be seen by the Healthy Schools Task Force are Wake Education Partnership, presenter Cindi O'Neil; Keeping all schools Healthy Schools, presenter Walt Sherlin; and No Child Left Behind.

To make the meetings proceed smoothly and to utilize time more efficiently, it was suggested that the Task Force members receive the meeting's information one week ahead of time. The members also suggested meeting twice a month or extending the meeting time to 3 hours (5-8 p.m.). The meeting time would be divided, 50% given to presentations and 50% given to discussion. The group would then breakout into small subcommittees to discuss the issues. The committee agreed that they would extend the meeting to 3 hours on the 4th Thursday of every month.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm. The next meeting will be Thursday, March 27, 2003, at 5:00 p.m. It will be held at the Harriet B. Webster Professional Development Center at 4401 Atlantic Avenue.

Dick Daugherty, Co-Chair

Dudley Flood, Co-Chair

Elwanda Farrow, Recording Secretary