

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: February 15, 2012

SUBJECT: Education History Initiative Steering Committee Appointees

PRESENTER: Board of Commissioners

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1. Memo from Mr. Baldwin

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

At the Board's December 5, 2011 meeting, a Resolution was adopted supporting the Henderson County Education History Initiative (HCEHI). That resolution called for each of the concerned agencies to make appointments to a committee to oversee the development of this strategic plan for the HCEHI. The Henderson County Board of Public Education has appointed two members to the seven member steering committee, and Henderson County Education Foundation has appointed three members.

The Board of Commissioners is requested to appoint the remaining two members to the Henderson County Education History Initiative. A list of recommendations is included on the attached memo.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to appoint two members to the Henderson County Education History Initiative.

Suggested Motion:

I move the Board appoint _____ and _____ to serve on the steering committee of the Henderson County Education History Initiative with those already appointed by the Henderson County Education Foundation and the Henderson County Board of Public Education.

To: Henderson County Board of Commissioners
CC: Tom Orr
From: Shannon Baldwin
Date: 2/9/2012
Re: Henderson County Education History Initiative Steering Committee Appointees

Recently the Henderson County Board of Commissioners passed a resolution supporting an initiative that seeks to preserve, through publication, the history of education in Henderson County. This marked very important first steps in facilitating a three-way partnership between the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, Henderson County Board of Public Education, and the Henderson County Education Foundation to begin this endeavor. The next steps call on each organization to appoint members to the steering committee defined in the resolution passed by all three entities. After a kick-off meeting end of February, work will begin with the steering committee over a six-month timeframe to develop a strategic plan (formal decision making guide) with clearly defined goals, objectives, and strategies in the effort to “methodically collect, organize, synthesize all known information about the education movement in Henderson County so that an accurate history can be created and made available in an accessible form for present and future generations.” The strategic plan will be fully developed and ready to execute by the end of August 2012. Once the steering committee completes a draft of the strategic plan (June/July timeframe), it will be returned to you for your input and further approval.

As was requested, the Henderson County Board of Public Education appointed two members to the seven member steering committee described above. The appointees are Lisa Edwards and Rick Wood. The Henderson County Education Foundation appointed three members to the same steering committee: Wendy Edney, Allen Combs, and Malvern (Buddy) West. Mr. Orr and I respectfully request the Henderson County Board of Commissioners appoint the final two members to the steering committee to move the HCEHI forward. Below are some of the names we recommend.

- Pete Zamplas
- Jennie Jones Giles
- Tom Ledbetter
- Charlie Byrd
- Gary Rivers
- Bobby Wilkins
- Grace Gaillard
- Dot Case
- Wanda Love
- Anthony McMinn
- Corum Smith
- Nancy Edwards
- Brenda Gorsuch
- Patsy Farmer Jones
- Bill Barnwell
- Drew Brannon
- Donnie Parks
- Hilliard Staton
- Richard Brown
- Dorothy Brown
- Grady Hawkins
- Ronnie Pepper

Feel free to choose persons from among this list or other persons you feel are interested in serving. We want what's easiest for you. After you appoint these last two members of the steering committee, an organizational meeting of the committee will be called and the work will begin as outlined above. Please know we stand ready to answer any questions you may have. See you on the 15th, if needed.