

MINUTES
DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE HEARING OF THE
ALBEMARLE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
Wednesday, July 28, 2026

Roll Call - THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

Committee Board Members – Mr. Jim Dillenbeck, Ms. Judy Le, and Ms. Ellen Osborne

Staff Members - Chief Legal Officer Josiah Black; Assistant Superintendent Daphne Keiser, Executive Director of Student Services Kevin Kirst, Principal Damean Barfield, and Clerk of the Board Christine Thompson

Student A and Parents of Student A

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1.0 At 5:30 p.m., Committee Chair Le called the Committee Hearing to order.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.0 CLOSED MEETING – At 5:30 p.m., Mr. Dillenbeck offered a **motion** that the Albemarle County School Board Disciplinary Committee go into a closed meeting as authorized by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia under Subsection 2 for discussion and consideration of a disciplinary matter involving a student in the Albemarle County Public Schools during which information contained in the student’s scholastic record will be disclosed. Ms. Osborne seconded the **motion**. A voice vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously (3-0).

Agenda Item No. 3.0 Closed Meeting Certification - At 7:07 p.m., Mr. Dillenbeck offered a **motion** that the Board certify by recorded vote that to the best of each Board member’s knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and identified in the motion authorizing the Closed Meeting were heard, discussed, or considered in the Closed Meeting. Ms. Osborne seconded the **motion**. A voice vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously (3-0).

Chair Le offered a **motion** to allow the student to return to school on Wednesday, August 12, 2026, subject to the following conditions: On or before August 12, 2026, the student must provide documentation of a clean drug screening and substance abuse evaluation; the students record will be amended to reflect a 13-day suspension, rather than the originally imposed 45-day suspension; and the student must check in with the School Safety Coach for the first 30 days following their return. The student is responsible for initiating the check-ins. Ms. Osborne seconded the **motion**. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously (3-0).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4.0 ADJOURNMENT – At 7:09 p.m., hearing no objections, Chair Le adjourned the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board Disciplinary Committee.

Chair

Clerk