

Note: A full recording of the meeting is on file in the Clerk's Office and on the School Division website.

A Regular Board Meeting of the Albemarle County School Board was held on April 23, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., Room 241, County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

PRESENT: Mr. Stephen Koleszar; Mrs. Diantha McKeel; Mr. Brian Wheeler; Mrs. Pamela Moynihan; Mr. Jon Stokes; Mr. Ronnie Price; and Mrs. Barbara Mouly (arrived at 6:40 p.m.).

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pamela Moran, Superintendent; Dr. Bruce Benson, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Mrs. Steele Howen, Student Behavior Management and Support Services; Mr. Billy Haun, Principal of Monticello High School; Mr. Fitzgerald Barnes, Athletic Director of Monticello High School; Ms. Arlene Gomez; Supervisor of Nurses; Mr. Jackson Zimmermann, Executive Director of Fiscal Services; Mr. Kevin Kirst, Director of Special Education and Student Services; Mr. Josh Davis, Director of Transportation; Ms. Annie Kim, Senior Assistant County Attorney; and Mrs. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk.

Agenda Item No.1. Call to Order.

At 6:04 p.m., Mr. Wheeler called the Albemarle County School Board meeting to order.

Agenda Item No. 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item No. 3. Moment of Silence.

Agenda Item No. 4. Agenda.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the agenda. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Agenda Item No. 5. Consent Agenda.

- 5A. 2009-2010 Special Education Annual Plan
- 5B. Families in Crisis Grant
- 5C. The Community Charter School Grant
- 5D. Technology Challenge Grant
- 5E. Donation to Western Albemarle High School
- 5F. Energy Management and Conservation Policy
- 5G. Release from Compulsory Attendance
- 5H. Donation to Monticello High School
- 5I. School Nurse Appreciation Week Proclamation
- 5J. The Community Foundation Grant-Monticello High School
- 5K. Donation to Monticello High School
- 5L. Personnel Action
- 5M. Interscholastic/Extracurricular Activities
- 5N. Contract for Rental of Monticello High School Facility – 2009
- 5O. Release of Holdback
- 5P. Personnel Action
- 5Q. Personnel Action

Mr. Price offered a **motion** to approve the consent agenda minus items 5H, 5J, 5K, and 5N. Mr. Koleszar **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve Item 5N of the consent agenda. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent and Mr. Stokes abstaining due to his employment with the party leasing Monticello High School.**

Mrs. Howen summarized the Board on the Monticello Turf Field project. Mr. Barnes introduced and thanked the members of the Monticello Booster Club and Mr. Stephen Lehman for their contributions to the

Monticello Turf Field Project. The School Board was presented a donation check towards the installation of the synthetic turf field.

Dr. Benson informed the Board that there would be another contribution from the Monticello High School Activity Fund to cover a contingency fund in the event that construction costs of the synthetic field exceeded the amount collected in donations. The division will deposit the check and in the event that it is not used it will be returned to Monticello High School's activity fund.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** for the Board to receive donations totaling \$176,665.77 to help fund the synthetic turf field project at Monticello High School and also to receive a donation of \$7,500 to be divided between each high school with each receiving \$2,500 towards the synthetic turf fields. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** for the Board to receive a donation totaling \$27,116 from the Monticello Booster Club to help fund the installation of a synthetic turf field at Monticello High School. Mr. Price **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Mr. Price offered a **motion** to approve the Community Foundation Grant in the amount of \$325,000, and amend the appropriation ordinance accordingly. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Mr. Wheeler read proclamations recognizing May 6, 2009 as School Nurse Appreciation Day and the week of May 3 – May 9, 2009 as Teacher Appreciation Week. Ms. Gomez accepted the proclamation on behalf of all the school nurses of Albemarle County Public Schools (ACPS).

Agenda Item No. 6. Announcements. None.

Agenda Item No. 7. School Board and Superintendent Business.

Virginia Lottery Teacher of the Year: Dr. Moran informed the Board that Mr. Joseph Hicks, third grade teacher at Stone-Robinson Elementary School, received the Virginia Lottery Teacher of the Year award for 2009.

County Student Council: Mr. Price, Mr. Stokes, and Mr. Koleszar updated the Board on their attendance at the County Student Council meeting at Albemarle High School. They suggested the School Board be more involved with the student council.

Mrs. McKeel asked who the council's advisor is. Dr. Moran said that Rich Lindsey is the advisor. Mrs. McKeel asked if all of the high schools were represented at the meeting. Mr. Price responded that all the schools were represented.

Mr. Stokes asked how the advisor is chosen. Dr. Moran said she does not know how Mr. Lindsey was chosen. He does have leadership roles related to student groups at Albemarle High School. Mr. Haun said that each high school has leadership classes. Mrs. McKeel asked if it a stipend position for teachers. Mr. Haun said that is teaching position.

In further discussion it was suggested students vote/run for office for the positions and that Mr. Price and Mr. Koleszar work together to draft a charge for the council.

BroadNet Partnership: Mr. Wheeler said that staff has suggested working in partnership with BroadNet to provide telephone forum services.

Ms. Kim said that an agreement with this vendor would have to be procured under the Virginia Procurement Act. Mr. Wheeler said that the communications coordinator put together invitations for proposals

and sent them out to four vendors with one response from BroadNet. Staff put together the partnership which does not require Board action. The agreement means that the school division has free access to telephone forums.

Ms. Kim noted that there is an agreement that Albemarle County Public Schools will be a referral source to other school divisions or entities that may be interested in having telephone forums and provide information and backing a good opinion of the company. She added that if there is any reason that the school division wants to terminate the contract, the contract is terminable.

Southern Feeder Pattern Meeting Updates: Dr. Benson informed the Board that the information that was asked for has been collected and shared by the master planning group being headed by Dr. Hastings. Staff is getting additional information before a recommendation is brought to the Board. He said that the Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) should come back into the mix to review the information from each meeting. Dr. Moran noted that there will be telephone forum on master planning in May and that input will be gathered and a recommendation for phase one in master planning should come in front of the Board in August.

Mr. Stokes asked what staff is hoping to get from the LRPC. Dr. Moran said that staff would like the LRPC to look at all of the information and analysis work that the study team developed in the southern feeder pattern and go back to some original ideas in terms of the charge for the master planning process.

National School Board Association Conference (NSBA): Mr. Koleszar stated that he, Mrs. McKeel, and Mr. Price attended the NSBA conference in San Diego, CA. He said that he attended two presentations on superintendent evaluations. He is concerned that the division does not have measurables in the strategic planning process. He also spoke of the scatter graph in all Illinois elementary schools and noted that there are schools that are able to close the achievement gap.

Mr. Price spoke of the topic "*Increasing Success and Decreasing Failure*" and said it is interesting on the importance of social relationships being formed between students and teachers. It was said that the socioeconomic factor can be taken off the board when it comes to the achievement gap. He said that the research shows a different model that the division should be looking at. He attended many achievement gap seminars and one consistent thread through all of the conversations included rigor. He said the topic on the superintendent model recognized that superintendent and the leadership performance is directly tied to the student performance within the school divisions. From what was discussed he learned that if a superintendent's focus is from the standpoint of the programs that they, along with the school board, are supporting closing the achievement gap will be successful. He added that the meeting with Apple representatives showed they were impressed with the division's involvement in all facets of technology.

Agenda Item No. 8. Strategic Planning Process.

Dr. Benson summarized the staff report, which is on file in the School Board Office.

Mr. Price suggested that the Board meet with the student council and talk about strategic planning.

Mr. Stokes asked how this process compares to the last process. Dr. Benson said the timeline is more compressed and there is a strong vision, mission, and set of goals so focus will be on developing priorities, metrics, and key strategies. There were large focus groups involved in forming the current strategic plan which are going to be reengaged for feedback into this set of revisions. Mr. Stokes asked if the stakeholder groups and advisory committees are going to be giving feedback and input after they are given the framework from a higher level. Dr. Benson said that was correct.

Dr. Benson informed the Board of the listening tours, in support of division teachers, that will be taking place the week of May 6, 2009.

Dr. Benson reminded the Board that the current strategic planning is broken into three sections. The major work of the Board and Superintendent related to strategic goals, the establishing of priorities relying on assessment staff in identifying measurement indicators that would be included in the revised plan, and the Superintendent working with staff to identify high yield strategies.

Mr. Wheeler asked for Board discussion on the summary sheets from the work sessions done by staff.

Mr. Koleszar said that there is no high priority around student engagement and building relationships and stated that it is a critical part of the division's work.

Mr. Price said that in the meeting with Quality Council one of the things discussed is how to get a handle on the relationship piece and what metrics can be used to start pulling in data on relationships in schools and out of school programs. He said the common thread that is going to be running through the Baldrige application is rigor, relevance, and relationship and how the division looks at core values under each one of those topics to get back to student achievement, student performance, and financial accountabilities from governments, and leadership. The relationship piece is hard to grasp and the division is going to have to lean on Quality Council and others to build something around that which might be able to be added as another priority.

Mr. Stokes said because of upcoming budgetary restrictions, it is going to be critical to deal with the compensation issue. He said the division is going to have to come up with new and innovative ways to deal with compensation without having the strategic planning process getting hijacked by that because it will generate too much discussion. He wants it to be a focus of the strategic plan without overwhelming the strategic plan.

Mrs. McKeel asked what the timeline is on the work Human Resources was charged to do. Dr. Benson said that Human Resources has been working with students out of the Batton School to look at some alternative models. They have been exploring competitive grants available through the economic stimulus funds. He suggested that board members make that a focus area and knowing that is of interest. It has to be decided what would be a consideration regarding a possible priority and what deliverables the division could bring as part of the next strategic plan. Dr. Moran added that with the competitive grant funding that includes a variety of things that are considered ways that education might shift practice, policy, and focus on priorities across the nation there would be no way the division could wait until the end of a strategic planning process in order to be in the application process for funding. She said that if the division went after the funding it would have to get key stakeholders to the table working on ideas that could be solidified. Dr. Benson said the division is uniquely positioned to go after one of the grants because of the work the division has done with the work of the Professional Learning Community (PLC).

Mr. Price suggested that the division come up with a unique goal with compensation. He said that the division could offer other amenities as part of the teacher's package.

Mrs. McKeel stated that the division needs to look at the foreign language program, especially at the elementary level. She said that students should be bilingual when they graduate high school. Mr. Koleszar said that there is no measurement on whether the elementary foreign language program is working. Mrs. McKeel stated that it has been said that the elementary foreign language program is out dated.

Mrs. Moynihan stated that it would be a good idea to look at online programs for elementary foreign language. She said that the division needs to maintain the programs that are available even in the tough economic times. She suggested that there be a work session on the arts and highlight what the students are doing and the successes in the programs.

Mr. Wheeler said for the Board to make progress on those things the division needs to be measuring what is done next and would like to see a balanced scorecard. He asked what has happened to the three applications that were submitted for the SPQA and what is the next plan with Baldrige. He asked for data to see if the division is making progress. He informed the Board of the following four standing committees that had been discussed: performance monitoring, stakeholder relations, student engagement, planning and resource development. He said the Board is going to need to work differently in the future to support the strategic plan.

Mrs. Mouly said that she has benefited from the work sessions and has appreciated the opportunity to speak to teachers and students. Her thoughts for the future were with the relationship between teachers and parents and incorporating it into the measures and studies that the division does. Mrs. Moynihan added that the division needs to continue to focus on the schools working with the parents and being customer friendly.

Mrs. McKeel suggested there be discussion on obesity and health issues in the schools. Dr. Benson noted that the division does have the Lifelong Learning Center. Mrs. McKeel said that she understands that the division is addressing it at some level but it needs more concentration. Mr. Stokes asked how this fits in with the strategic planning. Mr. Koleszar said that the danger in putting everything into the strategic plan is losing focus. The focus needs to be with the issues with the biggest impact on student learning, student achievement, and student wellness.

Mr. Wheeler said that there is going to be a Strategic Planning Steering Committee and asked if there is going to be a Board member on that committee. Dr. Moran noted that the Quality Council will be involved in strategic planning and Mr. Price is a member of the Quality Council. (There was a break from 7:54 p.m. until 8:09 p.m.)

Agenda Item No. 9. Budget Work Session.

Dr. Moran provided an overview on the budget update and federal stimulus package. Dr. Benson and Mr. Zimmermann summarized the staff report, which is on file in the School Board Office.

Mr. Stokes asked if there is no action is taken on the School Board reserve of \$170,000, would it be put into the fund balance for next year. Mr. Zimmermann said that was correct. This is monies the school division appropriated for use as a reserve. Mr. Wheeler noted that some of the monies were used this current school year for Tele-Town Hall and ElectronicSchoolBoard.

Mr. Wheeler asked for clarification on whether the Board is voting on the budget. Mr. Zimmermann said that staff is anticipating that the Board will be voting on the budget and not on the scheduled meeting for Monday, April 27th. He said information needs to be in local government's hands no later than Tuesday, April 28th. Dr. Benson said that if the Board is not ready to vote on the budget, there is a tentative meeting scheduled for Monday.

Mr. Stokes asked if the change in the Office Associate (OA) at Brownsville Elementary School was previously decided. Mr. Zimmermann said that when the budget request was brought forward the redistricting into Brownsville had not happened and because of the small dollar amount it was brought into the budget adoption.

Mr. Wheeler asked what the original Board reserve included in the funding request that went to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Zimmermann said that it was \$50,067, but has increased by \$120,000.

Mr. Wheeler asked if there is information available on the federal stimulus that would impact the Board's discussion on recurring revenues being available. Dr. Benson said that staff could provide a quick overview of the stimulus funding prior to further budget discussion.

Mr. Stokes asked if staff is recommending reinstating funding for any activity using the \$170,000. Dr. Benson said not at this point.

Dr. Benson and Mr. Zimmermann summarized the information on the federal stimulus, which is on file in the School Board Office.

Mrs. Mouly asked what does exclusive of federal funds mean. Mr. Zimmermann said that the local funding must be maintained; if federal funds increase they do not need to be counted as the school division's expenses, but they need to be deducted from the totals to insure that the local funds are the same or higher than the prior year. Dr. Moran noted that if there are more monies put into Special Education this year, it is expected to be maintained or go higher the next year.

Mrs. McKeel asked if staff is proposing that the renovation of classroom space at Albemarle High School be used as summer school space for Post High. Mr. Kirst said the renovation will be for a set of classrooms at AHS for Post High. Mrs. Mouly asked for confirmation that the monies cannot be used for general renovations at AHS. Mr. Kirst said that it is to be used specifically for students with disabilities.

Mr. Stokes asked what the education and recreation supplies are under Title I. Mr. Kirst said that education and recreation supplies are evaluation materials for psychological and educational evaluations; also the recreation is used to improve outcomes at the secondary level at the high school and create work experiences in the buildings. He said it includes materials for special education teachers with regard to literacy and numeracy.

Mrs. McKeel asked if it is being used to work with students on job skills. Mr. Kirst said that was correct. Mr. Price said that this is a good investment with the equipment for the deaf and blind. He said that the population with the deaf and blind has increased within the PREP region.

Dr. Moran noted that the monies can be used for the purchase of special education cars and buses and this could help the division in other areas in the transportation department. Dr. Benson said that staff has collaborated with Mr. Davis in transportation in identifying this as a need.

Dr. Benson said that because a large amount of the stimulus money can go towards technology purchases in the division it is possible that the division could not have to access the instructional CIP dollars. He added that one of the challenges of putting out a significant amount of new technology is people are needed to put out that significant amount of new technology and provide support and training.

Mr. Price asked if this is limited to laptops or does it include other equipment that will be purchased. Dr. Benson said that there is flexibility in the devices that are purchased. Dr. Moran said that what has been heard from the Board and staff is for the division to get to the next level of centering student learning with integrated technology focus. She added that it centers the division on the strategic plan goals and it helps students and teachers advance in the technology of this decade.

Mr. Stokes asked for a list of things that the division considered spending the stimulus money on but ultimately decided not to. Dr. Benson said staff initially thought that with the special education monies there would be flexibility to use those dollars in other areas of the division, but after talking with the Department of Education (DOE) it was determined that would not be possible. He added that the big drive was for staff to not create a funding cliff that in two years time the division would be looking at making cuts.

Mrs. McKeel suggested the division take some of the money and partner with a business in the community to develop a co-located preschool program. Dr. Benson said that there is not a lot of detail here because staff is still waiting to receive some of the information about reporting, etc.

Mrs. Mouly said that she was under the impression that some of the stimulus money could be used for large capital projects that had already begun. Dr. Moran said that it was taken off the table when it went through Congress. The only monies that did survive from that were for charter facilities and Virginia is last in line for those funds.

Dr. Benson finished his summarization of the stimulus monies and said that staff will bring the funding back to the Board for approval before expenditures are made.

Mr. Wheeler asked if there could be a web page devoted to the stimulus package created with the division's reports for public information. Dr. Moran suggested a link to the federal web page where it will be reported. Mr. Wheeler said that he would like to have a link on the Albemarle County Public Schools web page accessible to parents. Dr. Moran said that there is concern that there is discrepancy between the federal and state numbers and suggested that the division wait for resolution on a number of issues related to these funds.

Mrs. McKeel asked if all of this funding goes through the division's composite index. Mr. Zimmermann said no and these funds are distributed on the standard funding formulas. Dr. Moran said that this money needs to be looked at as efficiency and effective direction towards the things that are needed in the system.

Mr. Wheeler said that if it is possible to give some of the CIP monies back to local government it would create goodwill. Mr. Koleszar asked what the division could do if it was spent as additional money for upgrading technology. Mrs. McKeel said there is history of the school division helping local government regarding sharing additional monies that are received. Mr. Koleszar said that there is a problem if local government does not use the money for capital projects.

Mr. Wheeler stated that it appears that the stimulus monies are not going to alter the operational budget and asked for discussion on the \$170,000.

Mr. Koleszar said that some of the money could be used for non-recurring or recurring costs. He suggested that the Spanish Outreach Coordinator position be restored and, if the Board of Supervisors agreed, staff increases should be included in the current funding request. Mr. Wheeler asked where these monies would come from. Mr. Koleszar suggested using some of the stimulus money in another way in order for the division to be able to afford the staff increases. Mr. Wheeler asked if staff increases can be funded from the stimulus money. Mr. Zimmermann said that reporting that would be difficult. Mr. Koleszar suggested using the stimulus money for textbooks and using the textbook money in the operational budget for the increases. Mrs. Moynihan said that the Board always looks to the textbook account when there is a need for additional funding. Mr. Stokes said that he is not sure that he would like to address the compensation issue at this time as there may be a need to look at the pay scale based on the work of the Human Resources department. Mr. Price agreed with Mr. Stokes and noted that he agrees with the need to restore the Latino Coordinator position.

Mrs. Moynihan asked if the Spanish Outreach Coordinator position could be classified under Title I. Dr. Moran said only if it serves Title I families. Mrs. McKeel said that the Board Reserve could handle it with it being a 0.5 position. Mr. Zimmermann said the total cost of the half-time Latino Coordinator is just over \$41,000. Mr. Wheeler asked for clarification on what this position accomplishes as a full-time position can also be accomplished as a half-time position. Dr. Moran said currently the Latino Coordinator has been working predominately in the southern feeder pattern as a 0.5 FTE; adding the northern feeder pattern would constitute the position to become 1.0 FTE. Mr. Wheeler asked for the cost of making the position a 1.0 FTE. Mr. Zimmermann said the cost would be \$94,627. Dr. Moran noted that includes benefits and VRS. She said the position is not so much the person but what the position does to advance the work of the division. Mrs. McKeel asked for clarification of the position becoming full time with another feeder pattern. Dr. Moran said there would be significantly more work in the two feeder patterns. Mr. Stokes stated that this position was not formed just for the southern feeder pattern. Dr. Moran said that it does cover some of the other feeder patterns but the majority of families involved are currently located in the southern feeder pattern.

Mr. Wheeler asked if staff is still comfortable with the cuts that have been recommended in transportation. He said that with discussions with Mr. Davis and emails from parents there is concern that there is a shortage of transportation for field trips and athletic events. Mr. Davis said the key issue is that the Transportation Department is not staffed to the budget for next year. He said that there are training sessions for new hires going on through the summer. In regards to field trips and athletic events there has been discussion in training coaches and assistant coaches to drive the buses. He said in reference to budgeting he would feel more comfortable with a cushion of another five drivers with a few of them being field trip and athletic event drivers. Mr. Wheeler asked about the Walton/Monticello bus run and the consolidation of those. Dr. Moran said that was on the list of items that staff could go to if the budget needed to be balanced and because that was not needed the routes have not been changed. Mr. Wheeler asked if Mr. Davis could do that on his own. Dr. Benson said that there would have to be adjustment in school times but could be an option if it is determined that there is an issue relating to the number of drivers within the Transportation Department. Dr. Moran suggested using retirees as substitute drivers. Mr. Price suggested that the HR department provide information on a succession plan.

Mrs. McKeel asked for information on the money that is to be saved on early retirement. Dr. Moran stated that the information is going to have to be brought back to the Board as soon as the projections are sorted out. Mr. Zimmermann said much of the early savings will not be as large as in the past because of the additional incentive that was applied for the retirees this year.

Mr. Stokes offered a **motion** to adopt an operational budget of \$148,878,488 for FY2010. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion. Mr. Koleszar asked how the \$100,000 would be "given back". Mr. Stokes said that \$170,000 for school board reserve is much more than usual and the fund balance can be used for additional monies needed for the Latino Coordinator position. The \$100,000 could be "returned" to local government. Mr. Price asked how this impacts fund balance. Mr. Zimmermann said that the \$100,000 does not impact fund

balance. He said that the request from the Board of Supervisors for recurring funds would be reduced by \$100,000 if the motion passed.

Mr. Koleszar said that he will vote against the motion. He feels that the Latino Coordinator position should be restored and that money could come from these funds. In addition, we may find other positions that need to be restored or added as the year progresses.

Mrs. Moynihan said that it has only been in recent years that the Board Reserve was so low. She would like to have a little bit of cushion because we do not know what is going to happen. Mr. Stokes is advocating a smaller cushion.

Mrs. McKeel said that next year the fund balance will be very important.

Mrs. Moynihan said that she does not want the Board using the Reserve for frivolous things throughout the year. **The motion failed with Mr. Stokes voting in favor of the motion.**

Mrs. McKeel offered a **motion** that the Hispanic/Latino Coordinator position be restored to 0.5 FTE from the Board Reserve. Mr. Price **seconded** the motion. Mrs. Mouly questioned the motion saying that it did not have to be done at this meeting. Mrs. Moynihan asked if the position could be restored during the summer and the decision on this position could wait. Mrs. McKeel said the position begins on July 1st and the person in the position needs to know what she will be doing. Mr. Stokes said that this is a good way to spend the money instead of having an extra \$100,000 sitting out there. Mrs. Mouly asked if the restoration needs to be Board action. Mr. Zimmermann said that in order to utilize Board Reserve it would require Board action. Mrs. McKeel said that the bottom line does not change. The position is valuable to the division. Mr. Price said that it is an important position and that it is important for the Board to address the need in the community. He would like to see the position full-time. Mr. Wheeler said that he would support making the position full-time as well. Mr. Koleszar said that he would possibly support the position being full-time, however, he would not be willing to vote at this meeting on such an action. Mrs. Moynihan said that the division needs a half-time position, and feels that the Board of Supervisors would agree that it is a need. She would like to wait and see if there is a need for the position to be full-time at this time. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Price offered a **motion** to adopt a budget of \$148,978,488 for FY 2010 and a self-sustaining fund of \$16,948,585. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion. Mrs. Mouly asked if the self-sustaining funds are always included in the budget request. Mr. Zimmermann said the total budget is \$165,927,073, which is the total of the operational budget and the self-sustaining budget.

The motion passed unanimously.

There was Board consensus that there would not be a budget work session on Monday, April 27th.

Agenda Item No. 9. Public Comment. None.

Agenda Item No. 10. Other Business by Board Members/Superintendent.

Mrs. Mouly said that she was asked to be a representative to a cause entitled *A Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team*. The team is comprised of people in criminal law, law enforcement, and social services. Its purpose is to review closed criminal files of domestic violence fatalities and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors and other entities in the community for improvement of services to people who are involved in domestic violence. She said that she is willing to be a part of this but needs a backup. Ms. Kim stated that she would be happy to serve. Mr. Wheeler asked who has to sign the MOA. Ms. Kim said that it could be signed by the chairman on behalf of the Board or by the Superintendent. Mr. Wheeler suggested staff sign the MOA.

Mr. Wheeler informed the Board that there is an opportunity to see the video on gangs on Monday and Tuesday evening. He will follow up with Denise Lunsford. Mrs. Moynihan stated that Ms. Lunsford wants to come and speak to the Board.

Mr. Wheeler informed the Board that he and Dr. Moran met with IMPACT. The outcome of the meeting is that the Education Committee is going to wait for Mariam Rushfin of Smart Beginnings to release their report on the Pre-K data that she has been collecting and then meet again.

Agenda Items No. 11. Closed Meeting.

At 9:51 p.m. Mr. Price offered a **motion** that the School Board 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 1 to discuss and consider the discipline of a classified employee, and subsection 7 to consult with legal counsel and staff concerning actual litigation involving an employment related matter, and subsection 29 to discuss the award of a public contract for a telecommunications lease as well as the terms and scope of that contract. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item No. 12. Certify Closed Meeting.

Mr. Price 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 open meeting requirements by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and identified in the motion authorizing the Closed Meeting were heard, discussed or considered in the Closed Meeting. Mr. Koleszar **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called and the motion passed by the following recorded votes:**

AYES: Mrs. Mouly; Mrs. Moynihan; Mr. Koleszar; Mr. Stokes; Mr. Wheeler; Mrs. McKeel; and Mr. Price

NAYS: None

Motion carried by a 7:0 vote.

Agenda Item No. 15. Adjournment

At 10:13 p.m., Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to adjourn the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board. Mrs. Moynihan **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed unanimously.**

Chairman

Clerk