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 August 13, 2009 at 6:30 p.m., Lane Auditorium, County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

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

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pam Moran, Superintendent; Mrs. Steele Howen, Principal on Special Assignment, Enterprise Center; Dr. Luvelle Brown, Chief Information Officer; Mr. Billy Haun, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Ms. Annie Kim, Senior Assistant County Attorney; and Mrs. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Closed Meeting.

At 5:45 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 appointment of an interim principal at Murray Elementary School and the selection of an assistant director of instruction; and under subsection 7 to consult with staff about litigation regarding the condemnation of real property. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Agenda Item No. 1.2. Certify Closed Meeting.

At 6:40 p.m., 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. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded votes:**

AYES: Mr. Price; Mrs. Mouly; Mrs. Moynihan; Mrs. McKeel; Mr. Stokes; Mr. Koleszar; and Mr. Wheeler
NAYS: None

Motion carried by a 7:0 vote.

Mr. Price offered a **motion** to appoint on an interim basis for one year, Mr. Mark Green as principal of Murray Elementary School. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item No. 1.3. Call to Order.

At 6:40 p.m., Mr. Wheeler called the Albemarle County School Board meeting back to order.

Agenda Item No. 1.4. Pledge of Allegiance.
Agenda Item No. 1.5. Moment of Silence.

Agenda Item No. 2.1. Agenda.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Consent Agenda.

3.1 Approval of Consent Agenda
3.2 Minutes
3.3 Reappropriation from Human Resources to ARC
3.4 Golden Apple Staff Development Stipend FY09-10
3.5 Migrant Consortium Incentive Grant
3.6 Artists in Residency Grants FY08-09
3.7 The Williams Foundation Grant FY08-09
3.8 Wal-Mart Foundation Grant – Henley FY08-09
3.9 Sam’s Club Foundation Community Grant FY08-09
3.10 Henley Solar Panels Project FY08-09
3.11 Donation to Albemarle High School
3.12 Virginia Public School Authority (VPSA) Bond Resolution
3.13 Teaching American History Grant FY08-09
3.14 Quitclaim Deed for White Hall District Parcel
3.15 Reappropriation of Technology Funds in FY2008/2009
3.16 May 2009 Financial Reports
3.17 Exemption from Compulsory Attendance
3.18 Exemption from Compulsory Attendance
3.19 Exemption from Compulsory Attendance
3.20 Exemption from Compulsory Attendance
3.21 ARRA – Equipment Assistance Grant FY09-10
3.22 ARRA – Families in Crisis (Homeless) Grant FY09-10
3.23 Bus Driver Employment Agreements – 2009-10
3.24 Personnel Action
3.25 Policy Review and Revision
3.26 State Farm Grant – M3 – Men, Math and Mission Program FY09-10
3.27 Safe Schools/Healthy Student Grant FY09-10

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the consent agenda. Mrs. Price **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Announcements.

Dr. Moran introduced Mr. Mark Green as the interim principal at Murray Elementary School.

Mrs. Howen and Dr. Lillian Peake, health department, provided information to the Board about H1N1 planning for the coming school year. Mr. Koleszar said that this reiterates the importance of teaching students preventive practices such as proper hand washing.

Dr. Brown provided the Board with information on adequate yearly progress data that was released by the State. He said that the division is starting to close the achievement gap. Mr. Koleszar asked which schools made AYP because they had small “n” groups? How does our data compare with state averages? Dr. Brown said that this information is usually included in the full report to the Board.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. Public Comment.

Mr. Peter Wurzer congratulated staff for outstanding results in SOLs. He said that he would like to see where the division stands now when developing the priorities.

Mr. Ed Brooks spoke about diversity leadership competency and the hiring of recent administrators.

Agenda Item No. 7.1. School Board and Superintendent Business.

Dr. Moran and Mr. George Shifflett, building services, provided an overview to the Board on the work that is being done in the schools to prepare for opening day. Mrs. McKeel asked about the irrigation system at Western Albemarle. Mr. Shifflett said that the irrigation system is for the field closest to Route 250. Mr. Price asked if the division was looking at modernizing access systems to buildings – such as monitoring systems and electronic locks. Mr. Shifflett said that a number of systems have been looked at for electronic locks, and staff is continuing to lock at what is available.

Mr. Price provided the Board with an update on the work that he and Mr. Koleszar have been doing with the County Student Council. He provided the Board with a draft copy of the charge to the Council. Mr. Koleszar said that we need some support from central office in order to focus the group and work with them.

Dr. Moran said that she has received a recommendation from the Long-Range Planning Committee. She said that they are suggesting that the division look at combining the three southern elementary schools. She is waiting on the full written report. She will be bringing a recommendation to the Board in September. Mrs. Mouly said that she would like for a list of resources used to be provided to the Board.

Agenda Item No. 8.1. Strategic Planning/Board Priorities

Dr. Brown and Mr. Haun summarized the staff report, which is on file the School Board Office.

Mr. Koleszar said that we are establishing benchmarks as we go. It is better to work towards a high goal even if it is not met.

Mr. Price asked if the historical data could be provided in the balanced scorecard once it is developed.

Mrs. Mouly asked that we work towards a measurement of how students do in employment after they leave the division. Dr. Brown said that we have entered into a student clearinghouse so we should begin getting some of this data.

Mr. Wheeler said that on Priority 4.1 – first bullet – it be clarified that it could be the Virginia SPQA.

Mrs. Moynihan noted that there are no indicators on the number of students participating in the arts. She would like to see something included about this because it is a metric we need to monitor. It may fit under Goal 2 – Eliminate the Achievement Gap. Some Board members felt that it would fit better under Goal 4. Dr. Brown and Mr. Haun noted that information could be reported out in an annual report – it would not be a metric that would be measured on a quarterly basis. Staff said that they would look at incorporating it into Goal 4.

Mr. Koleszar asked about the professional development priority. Is this the best way to meet the needs of the teachers? Staff and Board members agreed that staff development was a critical need to getting teachers where they need to be.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to adopt the 2009-2011 Board/Superintendent Priorities as presented. Mr. Price **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed unanimously.**

Agenda Item No. 8.2. Policy Revision

Ms. Kim summarized the staff report, which is on file in the School Board Office.

Mr. Price offered a **motion** to approve the amendment to Policy GCDB. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed unanimously.**

A**genda Item No. 9.1. Other Business by Board Members/Superintendent.**

Dr. Moran spoke about Greer Elementary School. Staff has been in discussion about how to proceed this year. We are required that when a school goes into improvement we have to allocate 20 percent of Title I money to Greer as well as stimulus money. Money is going into a school that moves money away from other schools. Mr. Landahl has suggested that the division open the school up to choice this year. The school will continue to offer after school tutoring to help students. He feels that at the end of the year the school will be out of improvement. Dr. Moran said that she is supporting this recommendation. Parents have the option to place their child at one of the neighboring schools – Agnor-Hurt and Woodbrook Elementary Schools. Mr. Haun noted that school choice is for one year. Mr. Wheeler and Mrs. McKeel noted that they would be opposed to grandfathering students to continue attending the school that they choose to attend.

Agenda Item No. 10.1. Closed Meeting. None.
Agenda Item No. 11.1. Certify Closed Meeting. None.

Agenda Item No 12.1. Adjournment

At 8:31 p.m., Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to adjourn the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board. Mr. Price **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed unanimously.**

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Chairman

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Clerk