

A Regular Work Session of the Albemarle County School Board was held on April 22, 2010 at 6:00 p.m., Room 241, Albemarle County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

PRESENT: Mr. Brian Wheeler; Mr. Stephen Koleszar; Mrs. Diantha McKeel; Mrs. Barbara Massie Mouly; Mrs. Pamela Moynihan; Mr. Eric Strucko; and Mr. Ronnie Price.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pamela Moran, Superintendent; Mr. Billy Haun, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Dr. Luvelle Brown, Executive Chief Information Officer; Mr. Jackson Zimmermann, Executive Director of Fiscal Services; Ms. Becky Fisher, Assistant Director; Ms. Annie Kim, Senior Assistant County Attorney; and Mrs. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk.

Agenda Item 1.1. Call to Order.

At 6:35 p.m. Mr. Price, Chairman, called the meeting back to order.

Agenda Item No. 1.2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item No. 1.3. Moment of Silence.

Agenda Item No. 2.1. Agenda.

Mr. Wheeler offered a **motion** to approve the agenda. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Approval of Consent Agenda.

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- 3.2 Donation to Albemarle High School Synthetic Turf Field Project
- 3.3 Personnel Action

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the consent agenda minus the lease agreement for the rental of Monticello High School Facility – 2010. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 4.1. Lease Agreement for the Rental of Monticello High School Facility – 2010

Mr. Strucko asked why the rent was only going up by \$11,000. Dr. Moran said that it depends on the actual cost of renting the facility.

Mr. Wheeler asked if Ms. Kim had reviewed the agreement. Mrs. Kim said yes, and explained the changes in the agreement.

Mrs. McKeel asked who negotiated the lease. Mr. Haun said that it goes through Building Services. It was noted that the contract should take into account that no other space can be rented to an outside organization during the time period that CAI was renting the facility. Ms. Kim said that it could be discussed during the contract negotiation for next year.

Mr. Wheeler offered a **motion** to approve the proposed agreement for the 2010 rental of Monticello High School to the CFA Institute as outlined in the 2010 CFA Lease Agreement. Mr. Strucko **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Announcements.

Dr. Brown said that the Charlottesville Business Innovation Council has announced their finalists for their annual awards and Albemarle County is represented really well this year. All finalists for the Red Apple Award are Albemarle County teachers. Albemarle County Schools is in the running for the Spotlight Award.

Dr. Moran said that staff has been recognizing schools for Governor's Awards and Virginia Index Performance Awards. This will continue until all schools have been recognized who received an award.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. School Board/Superintendent Business.

Dr. Moran said that this is the time of year where teachers are positioning themselves to administer tests. She talked about the work that is taking place in classrooms across the division. Mr. Haun said that as he works with the physical education teachers, he is amazed at how they contribute to the work that is going on in the classroom.

Mrs. McKeel thanked staff for their presentation at the NSBA Annual Convention. Mr. Koleszar provided the Board with information on the sessions that he attended at the conference.

Mr. Price read a proclamation for Child Nutrition Employee Appreciation Week. In addition he read a proclamation for Teacher Appreciation Week. He then asked that the Board approve these two proclamations.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the proclamations for Child Nutrition Week and Teacher Appreciation Week. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 7.1. Information Management Work Session

Dr. Brown provided the Board with an overview of the use of SchoolNet modules that support administrators and teachers in the implementation of the Framework for Quality Learning, professional learning communities, and the Teacher Performance Appraisal. Board members were then provided individual demonstrations on how to use the modules within SchoolNet.

Board members then returned to the meeting room and provided a summary of the demonstrations they received. In addition, staff provided an overview of the types of information that could be pulled from or gathered in SchoolNet.

Dr. Brown and Ms. Fisher provided the Board with an update on the student information system that was being implemented for the upcoming school year.

Dr. Brown then provided the Board with information on the use of handheld devices in schools.

Agenda Item No. 8.1. Public Comment.

Mr. Mark Echelberger spoke about the 4X4 schedule and the how classes are being scheduled. He is troubled that we create differences between the high schools. He does not feel that an accelerated 4X4 schedule is beneficial.

Agenda Item No. 9.1. Other Business by Board Members/Superintendent.

Mr. Price spoke with the Board regarding a letter from the Piedmont Virginia Community College Board inviting the School Board and Board of Supervisors to a meeting to talk about Albemarle County. This meeting will be held on May 10, 2010 at Piedmont Virginia Community College.

Mr. Price said that he would be applying for the VSBA At-Large seat, and needed the Board's endorsement. Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to endorse Mr. Price to apply to serve on at the At-Large seat. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Mr. Koleszar suggested that the Board evaluation on itself and the priorities be done in breakout sessions with stakeholders. Then the Board would finalize the evaluations at the retreat. Mr. Price tried to clarify how individuals would be chosen to participate. Mr. Koleszar said that there needed to be a committee to work on the retreat. Dr. Moran provided her initial thoughts on what the retreat discussion should focus around.

Mrs. McKeel said that she would like to see the Board discuss health, wellness, and obesity at a future meeting.

Agenda Item No. 10.1. Closed Meeting.

At 9:08 p.m., Mr. Strucko 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 prospective candidates for principal positions. Mr. Wheeler **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 11.1. Certify Closed Meeting.

At 9:28 p.m., Mr. Strucko 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. Mr. Wheeler **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded votes:**

AYES: Mrs. Mouly, Mrs. McKeel, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Price, Mr. Strucko, Mrs. Moynihan, and Mr. Koleszar.

NAYS: None.

Motion carried by a 7:0 vote.

Agenda Item No 12.1. Adjournment

At 9:50 p.m., Mr. Wheeler offered a **motion** to adjourn the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board. Mr. Koleszar **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Chairman

Clerk