A Regular Board Meeting of the Albemarle County School Board was held on May 13, 2010 at 6:30 p.m., Lane Auditorium, Albemarle County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

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

ABSENT: Mrs. Barbara Massie Mouly.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pamela Moran, Superintendent; Dr. Bruce Benson, Assistant Superintendent; Mr. Billy Haun, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Luvelle Brown, Chief Information Officer; Mr. Kevin Kirst, Director of Special Education; Mr. Chad Ratliff, Assistant Director of Instruction; Mr. Jackson Zimmermann, Executive Director of Fiscal Services; and Mrs. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Closed Meeting

At 6:00 p.m. Mr. Wheeler offered a **motion** to go into 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 a principal position and the performance of a specific administrative employee; subsection 7 to consult with legal counsel and staff regarding employment and insurance litigation; and subsection 7 to consult with legal counsel and staff about litigation regarding the condemnation of real property. Mr. Koleszar **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Agenda Item No. 1.2. Certify Closed Meeting

At 6:51 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. Koleszar **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded votes:**

AYES: Mrs. McKeel, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Price, Mr. Strucko, Mrs. Moynihan, and Mr. Koleszar.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: Mrs. Mouly.

Motion carried by a 6:0:1 vote.

Agenda Item 1.3. Call to Order.

At 6:52 p.m. Mr. Price, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

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

Agenda Item No. 2.1. Agenda.

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

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Approval of Consent Agenda.

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3.2 Donation to Woodbrook Elementary School
3.3 February 2010 and March 2010 Financial Reports
3.4 Donation to Albemarle High School Turf Project
3.5 Exemption from Compulsory Attendance
3.6 Donation to Western Albemarle High School Turf Project

3.7 Donation to Western Albemarle High School
3.8 Personnel Action
3.9 Release from Compulsory Attendance
3.10 Donation to Western Albemarle High School
3.11 Donation to Henley Middle School
3.12 Donation to Murray and Monticello High School
3.1.3 Minutes

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

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Announcements.

Dr. Brown said the 100 Black Men of Central Virginia would be hosting a scholarship breakfast on May 29, 2010.

Dr. Benson notified the Board that the division had submitted an I3 Grant. The division will have notification on whether the grant has been accepted in September.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. Public Comment.

Ms. Ginny Echelberger asked for more communication on the research the division used when making the decision on the 4X4 schedule.

Mr. Jordan Sinnit and his group presented a CAP project to the Board about bullying. There should be more consequences for bullying of students. Consequences and definitions of bullying need to be clearly defined in the student handbook.

Mr. Adam Wolfe and his group presented a CAP project to the Board about technology in education. They support technology and it advances learning.

Ms. Janet Wiley expressed concern about the 4X4 semesterized schedule. She is troubled by the process to make the decision and she is concerned about the gap in learning between some courses.

Ms. Trish Kenney expressed concern about the 4x4 schedule. She is concerned with the lack of research and input before the decision was made. She is concerned with the gap in learning for some courses.

Mr. Peter Berring and his group presented a CAP project to the Board about sex education in schools. A more comprehensive curriculum should be taught in Albemarle County Schools.

Ms. Sara Sloan presented a CAP project to the Board about sex education. She provided some statistics about teen births at each school in the last year.

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

Dr. Moran said that the CAP, Citizen Action Projects, are always looked forward to and she would like to see this type of work duplicated across the division.

Dr. Benson and Mr. Haun attended the Golden Apple Awards. They said that they appreciate what the Nunley's do each year to support education in our community.

Dr. Benson provided an update on the turf fields at Albemarle and Western Albemarle High Schools. He said that work on the fields could begin in August. Engineering work is taking place currently to make sure that there will be no additional costs associated with the project.

Dr. Moran said that the division is currently administering tests. Dr. Brown said that we administer 80,000 tests a year.

Agenda Item No. 8.1. Special Education Advisory Committee – Annual Report

Mr. Kirst introduced Ms. Amy Lankford and Mr. Dale Cassell to present the Special Education Advisory Committee Report. They summarized the committee report that was provided to the Board in advance of the meeting. Ms. Lankford She also noted that the budget presented for special education was very thoughtful. Board members noted that special education staffing was discussed during the budget cycle.

Board members discussed 1) how individuals are recruited to be on the committee, 2) special education staffing, 3) meeting format in order to recruit individuals to serve on the committee, and 4) parental feedback on the services provided to students with special needs.

Agenda Item No. 8.2. Special Education Annual Plan

Mr. Kirst summarized the special education annual plan. Board members had no comments or questions. This item will be placed on the May 27, 2010 consent agenda for approval.

Agenda Item No. 8.3. SY10-11 Plan for the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006

Mr. Ratliff summarized the 2010-11 Plan for the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006. Board members had no comments or questions. This item will be placed on the May 27, 2010 consent agenda for approval.

Agenda Item No. 8.4. Break.

There was a break from 8:04 p.m. to 8:17 p.m.

Agenda Item No. 8.5. Internet Safety

Ms. Fisher provided a review of the proposed changes to Policy IIBE. There was no Board discussion. This item will be placed on the next consent agenda for approval.

Agenda Item No. 8.6. Comprehensive Technology Plan

Dr. Brown provided a review of the proposed Comprehensive Technology Plan which was provided to the Board in advance of the meeting. There was no Board discussion. This item will be placed on the next consent agenda for approval.

Agenda Item No. 8.7. Adopt FY2010/11 Operating and Self-Sustaining Budget

Mr. Zimmermann provided an update on revenues since the last discussion of the Board. He also provided an update on self-sustaining funds.

Board members asked questions or discussed 1) the use of one-time monies being used in the proposed budget, 2) the reduction in operations for the school division because of the reduction in funding, 3) the class size increase, 4) the change in the high school schedule, and 5) the Virginia Retirement System.

Mr. Wheeler offered a **motion** to approve the Fiscal Year 2010-11 budget in the amount of $142,863,633 and a self-sustaining budget of $23,459,076. Mrs. Moynihan **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Agenda Item No. 8.8. Policy Review and Revision

Ms. Kim provided a summary of the proposed changes to the policies provided to the Board. There was no Board discussion. This item will be placed on the next agenda for approval.

Agenda Item No. 8.9. School Board Salary

Mr. Price said that the recommendation for school board member salary is to maintain the current salary of $5,912 with a chairman stipend on $1,800 and a Vice-Chairman stipend of $35 per meeting chaired.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to advertise a School Board Member salary at $5,912 with a chairman stipend of $1,800 and a Vice-Chairman stipend of $35 per meeting chaired and advertise for a public hearing on June 10, 2010. Mr. Wheeler **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

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

Dr. Moran thanked staff for their work on the reports that they have provided to the Board.

Mr. Koleszar provided a suggested timeline for the retreat. Board members provided input. Mrs. McKeel and Mr. Koleszar will serve on the retreat committee.

Mr. Strucko said that he received an email from Mr. Tucker regarding a committee to discuss the composite index and revenue sharing agreement with Charlottesville City – local government and the school division. **There was Board consensus for Mr. Strucko to serve on the committee.**

Mrs. Moynihan asked about the dug outs at Woodbrook Elementary School. She feels that staff should meet with the community. Mr. Price said that staff has been out to the community to discuss the concerns. Dr. Benson said that he would provide information on what has taken place to date.

Mr. Price said that the School Board will be conducting its annual evaluation of the Superintendent including setting the Superintendent's salary and renegotiation of the Superintendent's contract.

Mrs. McKeel said that there is a CATEC joint meeting on May 18, 2010.

Mrs. McKeel said that she attended the Junior Air Force ROTC program last week. It was a wonderful program.

Agenda Item No. 10.1. Closed Meeting.

At 9:24 p.m., Mr. Strucko offered a **motion** to go into 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 elementary and secondary positions and the performance of a specific administrative employee, and subsection 7 to consult with legal counsel and staff regarding employment and insurance litigation. Mr. Wheeler **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 11.1. Certify Closed Meeting.

At 9:55 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. McKeel, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. Price, Mr. Strucko, Mrs. Moynihan, and Mr. Koleszar.
NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mrs. Mouly.

Motion carried by a 6:0:1 vote.

Agenda Item No 12.1. Adjournment

At 9:56 p.m., Mrs. Moynihan offered a **motion** to adjourn the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Chairman

Clerk