

A Regular Board Meeting of the Albemarle County School Board was held on September 9, 2010 at 6:30 p.m., Lane Auditorium, Albemarle County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

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

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pamela Moran, Superintendent; Dr. Bruce Benson, Assistant Superintendent for Planning and System Planning; Dr. Billy Haun, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Dr. Luvelle Brown, Executive Chief Information Officer; Ms. Melissa Anderson, Systems Coordinator, Strategic Planning & Quality Systems; Ms. Annie Kim, Senior Assistant County Attorney; and Mrs. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Closed Meeting.

At 6 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 the resignation of a specific administrative employee and the evaluation of a department's performance involving the discussion of specific individuals' performance. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 1.2. Certify Closed Meeting

At 6:31 p.m., Mrs. McKeel 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. Mrs. Moynihan **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded votes:**

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Mr. Koleszar.

Motion carried by a 5:0:1 vote.

Mr. Koleszar abstained because he did not attend the meeting.

Agenda Item No. 1.3. Call to Order.

At 6:40 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.

Mr. Koleszar 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 Payment to Schools for UVA Field Placement Tutors
- 3.3 Personnel Action
- 3.4 Donation to AHS Synthetic Turf Project

- 3.5 Donation to Stone Robinson Elementary School
- 3.6 Minutes

Mrs. McKeel offered a **motion** to approve the consent agenda minus the CIP agenda item. Mrs. Moynihan **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 4.1. Capital Improvements Program (CIP) FY 2011/13 – 2015/16

Mr. Koleszar said that he does not feel like the Board has spent enough time on the CIP to approve it. He feels that the Board needs to spend more time discussing the item before signing off on it. Mr. Strucko agreed. Mr. Koleszar asked about the timeline. Mr. Price said that it could be moved to the next work session for review. Dr. Moran asked that if there are questions that are known in advance, let staff know so they can be prepared to answer the questions.

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Announcements.

Dr. Brown said that the School Division received the Governor's Award for Technology in Innovation K-12.

Dr. Haun provided information on 10-day enrollment.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. Public Comment.

Mr. Paul Halliday spoke about block scheduling. He noted that in the discussion of the schedule there is confusion on terms used – block scheduling versus semesterized teaching, etc. He asked that a public discussion of the issue be held.

Ms. Ginny Echelberger said that she cares about education. She requested that the Board not approve the CIP which includes an addition to Monticello High School to accommodate a redistricting. She asked that the schedule be researched further. The change impacts her child's education and college applications.

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

Dr. Benson shared with the Board information on a potential reorganization of Human Resources. Mr. Strucko asked where instructor and teacher compensation issues made. Dr. Benson said that the market analysis is made on the technical side. Alternative compensation would be made in a collaborative manner. Mrs. Moynihan asked if the reorganization has additional costs or require the hiring of additional personnel. Dr. Benson said that staff is working through it and believe that it will take place through the reorganization of existing personnel. Staff will be able to provide more information once it is more developed. Mrs. McKeel expressed concern about how it will be implemented. Dr. Benson said that initially the educator quality piece needs to have its own leader. The reporting structure can be reexamined once the position is in place. Dr. Moran said that by pulling the licensed staff over, we have pulled the staff under Human Resources into educator quality. It evens the staffing piece out in Human Resources. **There was Board consensus for staff to move forward with the reorganization plan.**

Dr. Moran said that last spring the School Board met with the Charlottesville City School Board, the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors, and the Charlottesville City Council. During the meeting the two superintendents were charged with looking a project that the two school divisions could work together to capture efficiencies and increase productivity in the two divisions. Staffs from the two divisions have been working to look at developing virtual courses that would be rolled out for the next school year.

Mrs. McKeel said that the public education fund fundraiser for this year will take place on Tuesday, October 5 at the Boars Head with keynote speaker Jim Davis, Garfield creator. In the past, the School Board has sponsored a table, and she asked if the Board would like to sponsor a table.

Agenda Item No. 8.1. Division Priorities and Strategic Planning Update

Dr. Benson and Ms. Anderson provided the Board with information for consideration regarding the priorities, key performance indicators, initiative to gather stakeholder feedback and to provide transparency of the work to provide a clear line of sight to the division vision, mission and goals. Board members said that the key performance indicator for Priority 5 doesn't really hit what is trying to be accomplished.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to adopt the proposed changes to the 2010-2011 division priorities. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Agenda Item No. 8.2. Proposed Revisions to Policy IIA, Instructional Materials, and IIAA, Learning Resources/Textbooks Selection and Adoption

Dr. Haun and Ms. Kim provided the Board with information for consideration regarding the proposed changes to Policies IIA, Instructional Materials, and IIAA, Learning Resources/Textbooks Selection and Adoption. Board members then reviewed the information provided, and noted or asked about the following: 1. The use of the July 1 deadline and where the deadline originated from, and 2. The delegation of selection of resources to staff versus the Board adopting and approval of the resources.

This item will be placed on the next consent agenda for approval.

Agenda Item No. 8.3. Break

There was a break from 7:56 p.m. until 8:07 p.m.

Agenda Item No. 8.4. Public Hearing on Qualities and Characteristics of School Board Member Candidates.

Mr. Price opened the public hearing.

Ms. Jane Kulow asked that the Board keep the following in mind while deliberating about the applicants for the vacant seat on the school board: 1. A School Board member must have a keen understanding of the complexities of today's educational system. 2. The School Board member should support all aspects of a student's education including music, art, drama, athletics, etc. 3. The School Board member should be a true advocate for our students, teachers and staff.

Mr. Price closed the public hearing.

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

Mr. Koleszar said that he attended the Commission on Children and Families meeting last week. June Jenkins provided a presentation on the Safe Schools grant. Dr. Moran said that staff at CCF wrote a grant to the Department of Justice and received funding for an afterschool program at Stony Point Elementary School next year.

Agenda Item No. 10.1. Closed Meeting.

At 8:14 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 candidates for the school board interim appointment to fill the at-large school board office vacancy. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Agenda Item No. 11.1. Certify Closed Meeting.

At 9:07 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. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded votes:**

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

NAYS: None.

Motion carried by a 6:0 vote.

Mr. Price said that the School Board has met and vetted all thirteen candidates for the vacancy on the School Board. The Board will interview Dr. Maurice Lipper, Mr. Harley Miles, Mr. Robert Beard, and Mr. Ned Gallaway for the position.

Agenda Item No 12.1. Adjournment

At 9:08 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.**

Chairman

Clerk