A Work Session of the Albemarle County School Board was held on May 26, 2011 at 6:30 p.m., Room 241, County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

PRESENT: Mr. Stephen Koleszar; Mr. Eric Strucko; Mr. Jason Buyaki; Mrs. Diantha McKeel; Mrs. Pamela Moynihan; and Mr. Harley Miles.

ABSENT: Mrs. Barbara Massie Mouly.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pam Moran, Superintendent; Dr. Bruce Benson, Assistant Superintendent for Operations and Systems Planning; Dr. Billy Haun, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Mr. Vince Scheivert, Chief Information Officer; Ms. Annie Kim, Senior Assistant County Attorney; and Mrs. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Call to Order

At 6:30 p.m., Mr. Koleszar called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item No. 1.2. Pledge of Allegiance.
Agenda Item No. 1.3. Moment of Silence.

Agenda Item. No. 2.1. Approval of Agenda.

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

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Consent Agenda

3.1 Approval of Consent Agenda
3.2 Special Education Annual Plan 2011-2012
3.3 Donation to Henley Middle School
3.4 Donations for the 2011 Teacher Appreciation Week
3.5 Personnel Action
3.6 Parking Lot Improvements

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

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Announcements.

Dr. Haun said that the alternative accreditation plan that staff has been working on since last August was on the State Board of Education agenda and was approved.

Dr. Haun congratulated Ms. Staci England, assistant principal at Burley Middle School, and Mr. Chad Ratliff, assistant director of instruction, for graduating from the Charlottesville Leadership Program.

Dr. Haun said that we are in the middle of Standards of Learning testing. It was noted that School Board members, Board of Supervisor members, and legislators observed the testing at Albemarle High School.

Mr. Scheivert said that there have been a few issues with SOL testing. Staff is working through the issues as they arise.

Dr. Moran said that she attended the Chamber of Commerce Luncheon. The Secretary of Education was the speaker. Also, we had a student that was awarded a tech award scholarship.

Mrs. McKeel asked for information on the special education plan and how the amount of money is determined for private school students. Dr. Moran said that the Title applications require the division to set some money aside to assist with services for students in private schools.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. School Board/Superintendent Business. None.

Agenda Items No. 7.1. School Board/Superintendent Priority Evaluation.

Dr. Moran and Dr. Benson provided an overview of the School Division's vision, mission and goals including data on survey results for how the division is doing in meetings its priorities. Board members then went into breakout sessions that focused on each of the five goals.

Board members then reported out on the following: 1) the need to communicate the priorities and expectations better, 2) the need for more professional development of teachers to plan instruction especially with the new schedule, 3) are we measuring the correct things to get to the priorities in Goal 1, 4) the need to add additional time to the school day or the school calendar in order to address the use of school days for testing, 5) the need for meaningful assessments, 6) equitable use of technology across the division, 7) how do you measure if a student is meeting his/her full potential, 8) the need to review the priorities for Goal 3 and whether the goal is measured by the priorities, 9) the need for all school division employees to understand what world class is and how each employees plays a role in making the division world class, 10) the need for operational audits of departments, and 11) the need for the Board to look at how it operates and how board members fulfill their duties.

Agenda Item No. 7.2. Break

A break was taken during the breakout sessions.

Agenda Item No. 7.3. DART Staffing Proposal.

Mr. Scheivert summarized a staffing proposal from the Department of Accountability, Research and Technology which would maintain four technology support positions for another year. Board members asked where the funds would come from to support the request and how much money would remain in fund balance.

Mr. Miles offered a **motion** to approve the request to use fund balance to support the staffing proposal. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 8.1. Public Comment. None.

Agenda Item No. 9.1. Other Business by Board Members/Superintendent (heard after the closed meeting)

Mr. Koleszar said that earlier this week he attended the Access Albemarle Stakeholder meeting. They have not been able to reconcile March between the old and new system. This is the reason that Mr. Zimmermann has not been able to provide a March financial report. The County bank statements have not been reconciled since last October.

Agenda Item No. 10.1. Closed Meeting.

At 9:03 p.m., Mr. Miles 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 performance and assignment of specific administrative employees, the resignation of a specific administrative employee, the appointment of a specific administrative employee, and the appointment of a member to the Long Range Planning Advisory Committee; and subsection 7 to consult with staff regarding employment litigation and to consult with legal counsel regarding a personnel matter. Mrs. Moynihan **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Agenda Item No. 11.1. Certify Closed Meeting

At 10:19 p.m., Mr. Miles offered a **motion** that the Board certify by recorded vote that to the best of each Board member's knowledge, only public business matters 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. McKeel; Mr. Miles; Mrs. Moynihan; Mr. Strucko; Mr. Buyaki; and Mr. Koleszar.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: Mrs. Mouly.

Motion carried by a 6:0:1 vote.

Mrs. Moynihan offered a **motion** to appoint Mr. Ned Gallaway to the Rio magisterial district seat on the Long-Range Planning Advisory Committee. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** to appoint Mr. Nathaniel Braintwain to the Rivanna magisterial district seat on the Long-Range Planning Advisory Committee. Mr. Miles **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Agenda Item No. 12.1. Adjournment.

At 10:22 p.m., hearing no objections, Mr. Koleszar adjourned the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board.

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Chairman

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Clerk