

A Regular Board Meeting of the Albemarle County School Board was held on June 9, 2011 at 6:30 p.m., Lane Auditorium, County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

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

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pam Moran, Superintendent; Dr. Bruce Benson, Assistant Superintendent for Operations and Systems Planning; Dr. Billy Haun, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Dr. Matt Haas, Executive Director of Secondary Education; Ms. Debbie Collins, Executive Director of Elementary Education; Mr. Vince Scheivert, Chief Information Officer; Ms. Melissa Anderson, Systems Coordinator; Ms. Annie Kim, Senior Assistant County Attorney; and Mrs. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Commendations.

At 5:30 p.m., the School Board recognized at a reception following:

1. Congratulations to **Adam Visokay** who won the Group AAA state championship in the 3,200m Saturday for AHS as a junior. Adam ran a personal best 9:09.59 to win the state title. Congratulations Adam on a fantastic season.
2. Congratulations to the following Crozet Elementary Students for placing LED Design Challenge. The Challenge, which ran from January through March and was sponsored by iGEN and Digi-Key, inspired middle-school and high-school students to learn about electronics and LEDs (light emitting diodes) by creating an entry comprised of simple electrical circuits. After their teacher submitted short essay describing how learning about electronics and LEDs would enhance their student's understanding of science and engineering, the teachers were eligible to receive an LED kit from Digi-Key valued at \$100 and a \$100 education grant for the school. At this point the students' imaginations took over and the teams were off and running! The teams came up with an incredible array of ideas, using LEDs in some amazing projects including a roller coaster, a fun house, a light piano, and a classroom noise meter (I can just imagine the sound in that classroom when they were testing!).

1st group: 2nd place winner <http://igen.eetimes.com/edison-engineers-roller-coaster.html>
Jacob Chang Rascle, Noah Davis, Drew Heilman, Morgan Newton, Abby Zimmerman

2nd group: Honorable mention: <http://igen.eetimes.com/crozet-clowns-fun-house.html>
Zoe Clay, Elizabeth House, Zachary Phillips, Teryn Ratcliffe, Tyler Jones, Jessica Walker

3. The following DI teams won at the state tournament:

Albemarle HS	Stephenie Mack	Dawn Seto
		Elizabeth Mack
		Jonathan Karns
		Parker Hopkins
		Sean Moss
		Marie Mack
		Chris Seto
	Bev Rakes (Team 1)	Tim Wersinger
		Katja van Eersel
	Bev Rakes (Team 2)	Irene Lee
Burley Middle	Angie Mooney	Jack Farrell
		Bailey Mincer

		Garrett Mooney Julia Rivera Sam Spear
	Tracey Townes	Margaret Townes Katherine Wagoner Mandi McCrea Maddie De Michele Will Farrell Reid Huffman

Cale Elem	Kacy Burnsed	Ava Burnsed Aidan Hesselroth Owen Linville Christian Sesler Emma Howard Laura Friel Corey Cagle
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Meriwether Lewis	Brett Richey	Meg Richey Max Congdon Cole Weis Javaneh Brown Lauren O'Donnell Rachel Wang Chloe Horner
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Monticello HS	Bev Rakes (Team 1)	Lauren Rakes Margaret Berry Lauren Pitek
	Bev Rakes (Team 2)	Allison Higgins Brandon Johnson Dabrina Johnson
	Holly Mangano	Steven Mangano Tanner Pugh Brennon Flowers Leslie Beretz Tyler Smith Chelsea Payne Kiara Pontious
	Jim Stern	Ben Stern Austin Moran Georgia Proutt Emily Laskoe

VL Murray	Deborah Smith	Landon Smith
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	Juliet Kingsley Kevin Kiester Avery Jordan Jeffrey Dodson Evan Swett Lucy Coulson
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Western Albemarle HS	Mary Ann Schill	Megan Holley Katie Armstrong Julia Minnerly Gabby Friedlander Emily Schill Deepa Shivaram
	Bev Rakes (Team 1)	Lainie Taylor Cody Chisholm
	Bev Rakes (Team 2)	Chris Taylor Kevin Hensley

Walton Middle	Helen Miller	Andrew Van Epp Colin Price Cece Burger Emily Burger Quinton Miller
	Jim Stern	Haley Stern Mason Kayser Charlie Wolfe Sullivan Stern Charlotte Hendrix Hannah Page

The following DI teams placed at the regional level.

Brownsville Elem : 1st Place A Elem

#145-18398, Team Manager: Sue Brown

- Kella Meier
- Isabel Brown
- Thomas Cunningham
- Julia Douvas
- Everett McConville
- Rowan Breen
- Annie Meenan

Jack Jouett: 1st place A Middle

#145-79439, Team Manager: Stephanie Haden

- Abby Haden
- Stacy Vitko
- Sarah Trotter
- Francis Carlton

- Madison Gildersleeve-Price
- Elly Haden
- Maggie Matthews

Brownsville Elem: 1st place C elem

#145-44624, Team Manager: Leah Gallmeyer

- Abby Boitnott
- Marley Herring
- Emma Sherman
- Jack Hanchett
- John Carr Haden
- Olivia Gallmeyer
- Will Wallace

Broadus Wood Elem: 3rd place C elem

#145-47002, Team Manager: Tonya King

- Claire King
- Alyssa Jordan
- Gabrielle DelBiondo
- Olivia Smith
- Ellie Cain
- Maggie Angevine
- Artie Bowman

Henley Middle: 2nd place C middle

#145-84701, Team Manager: John Kingsley

- Alexandra Kingsley
- Sophie Salomon
- Vivian Lin
- Doug Kiester
- Walker Smith
- David Hatter

Brownsville Elem: 2nd place D elem

#145-04060, Team Manager: Ian Sole

- Andrew Sole
- Ben Life (or Lite? Can't decipher handwriting)
- Blake Boudouris
- Camden Layman
- Emma Herring
- Erin Meier
- Mary Moffatt

Agenda Item No. 1.2. Call to Order

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

Agenda Item No. 1.3. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item No. 1.4. Moment of Silence.

Agenda Item. No. 2.1. Approval of Agenda.

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

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Consent Agenda

- 3.1 Approval of Consent Agenda
- 3.2 Personnel Action
- 3.3 CFA Food Service Addendum 2011
- 3.4 Appointment of Board Members to Discipline Committee

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

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Announcements.

Dr. Haun said that there has been concern about the fine arts opportunities in the western feeder pattern. The new drama teacher did a great job with the production of Annie. Enrollment for drama has doubled for next school year. There will be shared teacher for choir between Henley and Western Albemarle. A new orchestra teacher has also been hired.

Dr. Haun said that the Albemarle High School String Ensemble has been chosen as the sole orchestra performing ensemble for the Virginia Educators Conference in November. The conference will be in Norfolk.

Dr. Haun congratulated the 5th grade students at Greer Elementary. The researched the history of the school including Mary C. Greer and held a rededication of the school.

Dr. Benson said that the cell tower antenna proposal was pulled from the agenda due to new information being published. The School Health Advisory Board wanted more time to look at the information.

Mr. Scheivert said that the new student information system is working and staff is working on scheduling within the new system.

Dr. Moran said that there were 961 graduates this year.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. Public Comment.

Mr. Ned Gallaway said that he was a guest teacher with the Western Albemarle drama class and those students were engaged. He also noted that a good way to gauge climate is to survey the customers.

Ms. Kim Taylor spoke about virtual learning. With virtual learning, it is important to know what the objective is for the course.

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

Dr. Moran spoke to the Board further about the Greer rededication and the work that the students did on Mary C. Greer.

Dr. Haun said that one scheduling meeting has taken place with each school. There have been two meetings with secondary schools. Staff's goal is for no teacher to have no more than 140 students and if possible 135 students.

Dr. Haun said that he will provide the Board with information from the schools on what students are doing after they finish taking SOL tests.

Dr. Haun said that the Civil Rights Compliance Review has been completed. Staff received an oral findings report and within 45 days a written report should be received.

Agenda Items No. 8.1. Greer Phase II Renovations/Addition Design Development.

Mr. Jack Clark of Rancorn Wildman Architects provided the Board with an overview of the Greer Phase II renovations.

Mrs. McKeel offered a **motion** to approve the project and provide authorization to proceed to the Bidding and Construction phase. Mrs. Moynihan **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 8.2. 2012-13 Calendar Considerations

Dr. Benson provided the Board with information on the feasibility of opening school earlier including issues that may arise with the Charlottesville City Schools opening at a different time than Albemarle County Public Schools. He also offered for the Board's consideration for two potential start dates for the 2012-13 school year. After the presentation, Board members noted: 1) the issue of moving a set Spring Break to a different date, 2) what is best for the children of Albemarle County, 3) how half days may be scheduled in the calendar, 4) the importance of work days and professional learning days for teachers, and 5) the need to put all options out for the public to consider for start dates.

There was Board consensus to put out three calendars for public comment.

Agenda Item No. 8.3. Capital Improvement Funding Appropriations

Dr. Benson noted that staff is asking the Board to reappropriate some monies from VDOT land used for the Meadow Creek Parkway to CATEC.

Mrs. McKeel offered a **motion** to approve the redirection of the funds received from VDOT for the land used for the Meadow Creek Parkway and request the Board of Supervisors to appropriate the funds, in the amount of \$167,312.71 and amend the appropriations ordinance accordingly. Mr. Miles **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 8.4. Retreat Follow-up: Draft Priorities

Dr. Benson, Dr. Moran and Ms. Anderson provided the Board with an overview of the draft language on priorities as a result of conversations had during the retreat. Dr. Benson then led Board members through a review of each priority and each strategy for the priority.

Board members noted the following: 1) the need to provide an explanation of such things as the TPA (Teacher Performance Appraisal) and FQL (Framework from Quality Learning), 2) the need for key performance indicators to be measurable, 3) the pros of virtual learning and on-line courses, 4) the need to emphasize workforce readiness skills, 4) what is meant by an assessment model, 5) the need to communicate better the work of students, 6) how does the Board know if teaching staff is diverse enough and compared to what, 7) the need to recruit the most qualified staff, 8) how do you measure diversity, 9) define a wide variety of growth opportunities, 10) the need for strong staff development due to the need to redo the teacher performance appraisal, 11) should the Board set a goal of receiving a Baldrige Award, and 12) whether the student information system should be elevated to the level of a priority.

There was Board consensus for staff to move forward and the key performance indicators will be provided to the Board at the next meeting.

Agenda Item No. 8.5. Break. (Taken prior to agenda item 8.4)

There was a break from 7:57 p.m. until 8:07 p.m.

Agenda Item No. 8.6. Concussion Policy.

Dr. Benson and Dr. Haas provided the Board with an overview of the draft concussion policy and what needs to be done in the Division to implement the policy.

Board members noted or asked the following: 1) what does referred appropriately mean, 2) how do we go about self-reporting, and 3) is there a need for parental permission to do baseline testing.

Agenda Item No. 8.7. Approval of Title I, Part C, Education of Migratory Children Application.

Ms. Collins asked if there were any questions. The Board did not have questions.

Agenda Item No. 8.8. Approval of Title II, Part A, Teacher Quality Application.

Ms. Collins asked if there were any questions. The Board did not have questions.

Agenda Item No. 8.9. Approval of Title III, Part A, Language Instruction for Limited English Proficient and Immigrant Students Application.

Ms. Collins asked if there were any questions. The Board did not have questions.

Agenda Item No. 8.10. Approval of Title I, Part A, Improving Basic Programs Application.

Ms. Collins asked if there were any questions. The Board did not have questions.

Agenda Item. No. 8.11. School Board Salary Public Hearing and Approval.

Mr. Koleszar opened the public hearing of the proposed salary for School Board members. With no comment, the public hearing was closed.

Mr. Miles offered a **motion** to approve a salary for School Board members for 2011-12 of \$5,971 with a chairman stipend of \$1,800 per year and a vice-chairman stipend of \$35 per meeting chaired. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Buyaki voting no.**

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

Mr. Miles said that the graduation ceremonies were exciting. It was nice to see the graduates looking forward to their next steps.

Mr. Scheivert said that graduations were streamed again this year. He will provide the Board with viewing statistics once they are available.

Dr. Moran said that the 3rd grade students at Meriwether Lewis skyped into a teacher conference and led a session on three technologies that they had used in their work.

Mr. Strucko asked if the Board has ever received monthly financial reports in a presentation. Mr. Koleszar said that it has been done several ways in the past. It was noted that Mr. Zimmermann should be providing monthly reports and then quarterly verbal reports to the Board.

Agenda Item No. 10.1. Closed Meeting. None.

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

Agenda Item No. 12.1. Adjournment.

At 10:11 p.m., hearing no objections, Mr. Koleszar adjourned the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board.

Chairman

Clerk