A Special Meeting of the Albemarle County School Board was held on July 25, 2013 at 1:30 p.m., Virginia Department of Forestry, 900 Natural Resources Drive, Charlottesville, Virginia 22903.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Stephen Koleszar, Mr. Jason Buyaki, Mrs. Diantha McKeel, Mr. Ned Gallaway, Mrs. Pamela Moynihan, and Mrs. Barbara Massie Mouly.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: Mr. Eric Strucko.

SCHOOL BOARD STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pam Moran, Superintendent, Dr. Matt Haas, Assistant Superintendent for Organizational and Human Resources Leadership, Ms. Melissa Anderson, Assistant Director of Strategic Planning & Organizational Improvement, Mr. Vincent Scheivert, Chief Information Officer, Ms. Debora Collins, Executive Director of K-12 Instruction, Mr. John Blair, Senior Assistant County Attorney, and Ms. Jennifer Johnston, School Board Clerk.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PRESENT: Mr. Kenneth C. Boyd, Mr. Petie Craddock, Ms. Ann Mallek, Mr. Dennis S. Rooker, Mr. Duane E. Snow and Mr. Rodney S. Thomas.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ABSENT: None.

OFFICERS PRESENT: County Executive, Thomas C. Foley; Assistant County Executive, Bill Letteri; County Attorney, Larry W. Davis; Assistant County Executive, Doug Walker; Assistant to the County Executive for Community and Business Partnerships; Organization Development Manager, Louise Wyatt; Director of Management and Budget, Lori Allshouse; Assistant Director of Social Services, John Freeman; Clerk, Ella W. Jordan; and Senior Deputy Clerk, Travis O. Morris.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Call to Order.

Ms. Mallek called the Board of Supervisors to order. Mr. Koleszar called the Albemarle County School Board to order.

Agenda Item No. 2.1. Strategic Planning Retreat.

Mr. Foley and Dr. Moran opened the retreat by framing the meeting with an overview of where both Boards are in the strategic planning process and implications it may have on the five-year plan. They also noted the desired outcomes: 1) explore the meaning of “thriving” and “excellent” in the context of the County’s Vision statement and Goals 1/3 of the Strategic Plan, 2) consider existing and future possibilities of alignment between the 2 strategic plans, and 3) build on shared understanding and productive working relationships.

Ms. Mallek and Mr. Koleszar then provided an overview of the Strategic Plan for Albemarle County and for Albemarle County Public Schools.

Board members then took turns responding to the question: Looking at the vision, mission and values for both local government and the school division, what strikes you?

Board members were then broken into groups by magisterial districts to discuss: 1) what does “thriving” look like for education? What are the dimensions? Where might the County already be “thriving”? What does that look like? How do you describe it?, and 2) What is “excellent education” for all County residents? What are the indicators for excellent education? How would we know we’ve achieved it? After about 45 minutes of discussion, Board members then reported their discussions out to the entire group.

There was a break from 2:50 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. (Mr. Thomas left the meeting at 3:02 p.m.)

After the break staff reviewed with the Boards Goals 1 and 3 of the local government Strategic plan looking at the past, present and the future. Goal 1, objective a (Increase the availability and quality of prekindergarten learning opportunities and adult workforce development opportunities.) was reviewed looking at the pre-K focus by Mr. Freeman and Ms. Collins. Goal 3 (Encourage a diverse and vibrant local economy.) was reviewed by Ms. Stimart. Goal 1, objective b (Improve coordination to support goals shared between the School Division's Strategic Plan for K-12 Education and the County's overall Strategic Plan) was reviewed by Ms. Anderson.

Board members then provided input on where they saw connections between the two strategic plans. Looking at the connections, Board members were asked were there any areas that could be worked on jointly in the near future. The areas identified where opportunities may exist include: 1) shared facility use, 2) enhancing internships – collaboration with economic development team, 3) consolidating outcomes/goals related to economy, job preparedness, and job opportunities, 4) collaborate on study of identifying gaps in adult education and working with partners to fill the gaps, and 5) financial ways to expand pre-K offerings.

At 4:11 p.m., Ms. Mallek adjourned the meeting of the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors.

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Closed Meeting.

At 4:11 p.m., Mr. Gallaway 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 appointment of a specific administrative employee. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Strucko absent.**

Agenda Item No. 3.2. Certify Closed Meeting.

At 4:17 p.m., Mr. Gallaway 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. Gallaway; Mrs. Moynihan; Mr. Koleszar; Mr. Buyaki; and Mrs. Mouly.
NAYS: None.
ABSTAIN: Mr. Strucko.

Motion carried by a 6:0:1 vote.

Mr. Gallaway offered a **motion** to appoint Mr. Dean Tistadt as the Chief Operating Officer for Albemarle County Public Schools effective July 26, 2013. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Agenda Item No. 3.3. Approval of ACPS Strategic Plan.

Mr. Koleszar asked the Board if they wished to approve the Strategic Plan or did they want to wait until the August meeting. Staff indicated that the Plan will be shared with the Leadership Team starting July 30 so it would be helpful to have it approved prior to those meetings. Hearing no objections, Mr. Koleszar asked for a motion to approve the Strategic Plan.

Mr. Gallaway offered a **motion** to approve the ACPS Strategic Plan as presented. Mrs. McKeel **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 4.1. Adjournment.

At 4:26 p.m., hearing no objections, Mr. Koleszar adjourned the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board.

Chairman

Clerk