

A Work Session of the Albemarle County School Board was held on May 23, 2013 at 6:30 p.m., Room 241, Albemarle County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

PRESENT: Mr. Ned Gallaway; Mrs. Diantha McKeel (arrived at 7:14 p.m.); Mr. Eric Strucko; Mrs. Barbara Massie Mouly; Mr. Stephen Koleszar; Mrs. Pamela Moynihan; and Mr. Jason Buyaki.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Billy Haun, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Dr. Matt Haas, Assistant Superintendent for Planning and Human Resource Leadership; Mr. Josh Davis, Chief Operating Officer; Mr. Vince Scheivert, Chief Information Officer; Ms. Melissa Anderson, Strategic Planning and Organizational Improvement; Mr. Joe Letteri, Director of Building Services; Mr. Greg Kamptner, Deputy County Attorney; and Mrs. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Call to Order.

At 6:31 p.m. Mr. Koleszar, Chairman, 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. Agenda.

Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** to hear public comment following School Board/Superintendent Business and the agenda as amended. Mrs. Moynihan **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Approval of Consent Agenda.

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- 3.2 Donations to Henley Middle, Murray High, and Stony Point Elementary Schools
- 3.3 Reimbursements to Albemarle High, Henley Middle, Jack Jouett Middle and Western Albemarle High Schools
- 3.4 (Unverified) January 2013 and (Unverified) February 2013 and (Unverified) March 2013 Year-to-Date Financial Report, Operating Expense Report and Self-Sustaining Funds Report
- 3.5 Reimbursement to Burley Middle School
- 3.6 2013 Lease Agreement for the Rental of Monticello High School
- 3.7 Donation to Murray Elementary School
- 3.8 Personnel Action
- 3.9 Reimbursements to Albemarle High School and Burley Middle School
- 3.10 Stone Robinson Elementary School Pre-K Inclusion Funds
- 3.11 Minutes

Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Gallaway **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Announcements.

Dr. Haas said that the Student Council held the We Notice recognition ceremony prior to the meeting. Over 200 employees attended the ceremony.

Dr. Haas said that he provided the Board with a copy of The Leaders Guide to 21st Century Education from Ed Leader 21. He asked that Board to review the information in preparation for the Board retreat.

Mr. Scheivert said that we are in the midst of SOL testing. We are in the heaviest testing period, and all things seem to be going smoothly.

Dr. Haun said that Dr. Moran is not in attendance at the meeting due to attending a family event out of town.

Dr. Haun said that the Virginia Board of Education gave final approval for Monticello High School's Health and Medical Sciences Academy. The academy received a \$10,000 grant.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. School Board/Superintendent Business.

Dr. Haun provided the Board with an article about how Loudoun County compares itself to other divisions when looking at compensation and teacher recruitment.

Mr. Buyaki thanked Dr. Haas for the division-wide safety message that went out today.

Agenda Item No. 6.2. Architect Selection Committee for Agnor-Hurt Elementary School.

Mr. Koleszar said that the Board needs to appoint two members to the architect selection committee for Agnor-Hurt Elementary School.

There was Board consensus for Mr. Gallaway and Mrs. Moynihan to serve on the architect selection committee for Agnor-Hurt Elementary School.

Agenda Item No. 7.1. Update from County Student Council.

Members of the County Student Council provided the Board with an update. The presentation included the vision of the council, an overview of the council (who they are and who they are not), common goals with the School Board, an overview of the goals and strategies of the council, a review of the work of the council, next steps, and questions on how they can improve the working relationship with the School Board.

Following the presentation, Board members noted or asked the following: 1) the desire to have a student from the council attend board meetings, 2) if there is a report from the council it should be at the beginning of the year if not more often, and 3) the idea that one School Board member attend the meeting of the council.

Agenda Item No. 7.2. Evaluation of the School Board as a Collective Body.

Mr. Koleszar referred Board members to the collection of responses. Board member then reviewed the evaluation of the School Board as a Collective Body. It was noted that communications is an area where there needs to be improvement.

Mr. Koleszar introduced Tim Shea the education reporter for Charlottesville Tomorrow.

Agenda Item No. 7.3. Break.

There was a break from 7:23 p.m. until 7:40 p.m.

(Mr. Buyaki and Mr. Strucko left the meeting from 7:40 p.m. until 8:25 p.m.)

Agenda item No. 7.4. Evaluation of the School Board/Superintendent Priorities.

Mr. Koleszar said that the discussion on the evaluation of the priorities will be among Board members unless Cabinet members feel as if the Board is missing the point.

Mrs. Mouly said that she like the new format of evaluating the priorities.

Board members then reviewed each priority and the progress that has been made in accomplishing the priority.

Agenda Item No. 8.1. Public Comment. (Heard after School Board/Superintendent Business)

Ms. Stephanie Morris is a parent. She shared her concerns about issues that are happening at Walton Middle School and asked that the Board look at expanding electives at Walton.

Ms. Melinda Whitehurst is a parent. She asked that the Board consider expanding the electives offered at Walton.

Ms. Meghan Eddy is a parent. She asked that the Board issue a survey to parents, students, and staff around the issues happening at Walton.

Mr. Bill Bradley is a parent. He expressed concerns about Walton and asked that the Board look at making improvements to the school.

Ms. Lisa Cannell is a parent. She spoke to the Board about Walton, and indicated that the right leader may not be in place at the school.

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

Mr. Gallaway said that he attended all three of the high school drama productions. He appreciated the work that went into the productions.

Mrs. McKeel said that the CATEC graduation happened last night. There were 122 graduates.

Agenda Item No. 10.1. Closed Meeting.

At 9:13 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 performance of a specific school principal; the potential assignment by transfer of specific assistant principals; and on the employment of assistant principals and administrative interns for specific positions. Mr. Buyaki **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 11.1. Certify Closed Meeting.

At 9:57 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 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. Buyaki **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded vote:**

AYES: Mr. Koleszar, Mrs. McKeel, Mrs. Mouly, Mr. Strucko, Mrs. Moynihan, Mr. Gallaway, and Mr. Buyaki.
NAYS: None.

Motion carried by a 7:0 vote.

Agenda Item No 12.1. Adjournment

At 9:58 p.m., Mr. Koleszar, hearing no objections, adjourned the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board.

Chairman

Clerk