An Organizational Meeting of the Albemarle County School Board was held on January 9, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., Lane Auditorium, County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

PRESENT: Mr. Stephen Koleszar; Mr. Eric Strucko; Mrs. Pamela Moynihan; Ms. Kate Acuff; Mr. Ned Gallaway; Mrs. Barbara Massie Mouly; and Mr. Jason Buyaki.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pam Moran, Superintendent; Dr. Billy Haun, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Mr. Vincent Scheivert, Chief Information Officer; Dr. Matthew Haas, Assistant Superintendent for Organizational and Human Resources Leadership; Mr. Dean Tistadt, Chief Operating Officer; Mr. John Blair, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Dr. Jesse Turner, Principal of Monticello High School; Dr. Beth Costa, Assistant Principal of Monticello High School; Mr. Joe Letteri, Director of Building Services; and Mrs. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk.

Agenda Item No.1.1. Closed Meeting.

At 6:00 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 personnel issues related to the resignation of a specific employee; and personnel issues related to the appointment of members to the long range planning committee and the school health advisory boards. Mr. Buyaki **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 1.2. Certify Closed Meeting.

At 6:30 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. Mr. Buyaki **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded votes:**

AYES: Mr. Strucko; Mr. Gallaway; Mrs. Moynihan; Mr. Koleszar; Mr. Buyaki; Ms. Acuff; and Mrs. Mouly.
NAYS: None.

Motion carried by a 7:0 vote.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to appoint Tiffany Barber, Anne Shipe and Daniel Griffith to the Long Range Planning Advisory Committee. Mr. Buyaki **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Agenda Item No. 1.3. Call to Order

At 6:30 p.m., Dr. Moran called the Albemarle County School Board to order.

Agenda Item No. 1.4. Pledge of Allegiance
Agenda Item No. 1.5. Moment of Silence

Agenda Item No. 1.6. Organizational Meeting – Election of Officers.

Dr. Moran opened nominations for Board Chairperson. Mr. Koleszar **nominated** Mr. Gallaway. Hearing no further nominations, Dr. Moran closed nominations.

Dr. Moran asked for a vote on the **nomination** of Mr. Gallaway as chair. **Roll was called, and the nomination passed by the following votes:**

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

Mr. Gallaway then opened nominations for vice-chairman.

Mr. Strucko **nominated** Mrs. Mouly for vice-chairman. Mr. Gallaway, hearing no objections, closed the nominations for vice-chairman.

A vote was taken on the **nomination** for Mrs. Mouly as vice-chairman. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded vote:**

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

Mr. Gallaway thanked Mr. Koleszar for his service as chair over the last two years.

Mr. Gallaway then welcomed Ms. Acuff to the Board and congratulated those Board members who were re-elected – Mr. Strucko and Mrs. Moynihan.

Agenda Item No. 1.7. Establishment of Meeting Time, Date and Place.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the meeting time, dates and places presented for 2014 and January 2015. Mrs. Moynihan **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 1.8. Appointments to PREP and CATEC Boards.

Mrs. Mouly offered a **motion** to appoint Mr. Koleszar to the CATEC Board with a term ending December 31, 2015 and Mrs. Acuff with a term ending December 31, 2016. Mr. Buyaki **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Mr. Strucko **nominated** Mr. Gallaway as the representative on the PREP Board. Mr. Buyaki **seconded** the nomination, **and the nomination passed**.

Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** for Mr. Koleszar to serve as the alternate representative on the PREP Board. Ms. Acuff **seconded** the motion**, and the motion passed**.

Agenda Item No. 1.9. Discussion of Other Board Appointments.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to appoint Mr. Strucko and Mrs. Mouly to the CIP Oversight Committee. Mr. Buyaki **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to appoint Mr. Strucko to the Audit Committee. Ms. Acuff **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Mrs. Mouly offered a **motion** to appoint Mr. Koleszar to the Access Albemarle Committee. Mr. Strucko **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Mr. Strucko offered a **motion** to appoint Ms. Acuff as the representative on the Charlottesville-Albemarle Fund for Public Education. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Mr. Strucko offered a **motion** for Mr. Koleszar to serve on the Quality Council. Ms. Acuff **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to appoint Mrs. Moynihan, Mr. Buyaki and Mr. Strucko to the School Board Discipline Committee and to direct the Chair to appoint an alternate as needed. Mr. Buyaki **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

There was Board consensus for the Communications Committee to remain vacant and appoint members on an as needed basis.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** for Ms. Acuff and Mr. Gallaway to serve on the New School Board Member Orientation Committee. Mr. Strucko **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

There was Board consensus for the Board Governance Committee to remain vacant and appoint members on an as needed basis.

Ms. Acuff offered a **motion** for Mr. Koleszar to serve on the Domestic Violence Review Team. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed**.

Mrs. Mouly offered a **motion** for Mr. Koleszar and Mr. Buyaki to serve on the Legislative Committee. Mrs. Moynihan **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 2.1. Approval of the Agenda.

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

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Consent Agenda

3.1 Approval of Consent Agenda
3.2 National Board Certification Incentive Award – 2013
3.3 Personnel Action
3.4 Superintendent’s Designee to Attend Board Meetings in Her Absence

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

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Spotlight on Education.

Dr. Moran said that the Board has heard staff talk about a new course offering in our middle schools—a concept known as mechatronics, which combines the study and application of engineering principles to science in order to design and produce projects in the classroom. This is part of our commitment to a Maker Curriculum, which teaches students, in a hands-on way, how to be creative and critical thinkers, how to collaborate and communicate among themselves and with outside partners. Recently, we had two students and two teachers from Sutherland Middle School do something that no one else in the country has done. Working from the original drawings, the students used a 3 D printer to construct an exact replica of the world’s first telegraph, which was invented by Alfred Vail in 1844. The Smithsonian Museum heard about this project from Glenn Bull, who we have worked with from the Curry School and our students and teachers were invited to meet with Museum officials in Washington. The result, we think, will be an agreement with the Smithsonian that will allow our students to replicate artifacts from the Museum’s archives. The Museum’s intent is to use this experience to develop a curriculum that can be used by schools across the nation. She then introduced teachers, Robert Munsey and Eric Bredder, and students, Jenn Wendelken and Nate Carlson, from Sutherland Middle School.

Dr. Moran said that also, this evening, we have with us, a student from Monticello High School, who accepted a challenge as part of our Design 2015 program. The challenge was to design and build a mobile app. Student, Mac Sochor, used the Android platform to develop a mobile app for Monticello High School. Mr. Sochor then shared with the Board his work.

Agenda Item No. 5.2. Announcements. None.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. Public Comment.

Tyler Giles, Andrew Browning and Samantha Miller, students at Monticello High School, presented their Citizen Action Project on Standardized Testing and the need to add a portfolio.

Alison Snoddy, Abby Lispcomb, Carson Spencer, and Selena Espendola, students at Monticello High School, presented their Citizen Action Project on drug testing in high schools.

Sarah Carlson, student at Monticello High School, presented her group's Citizen Action Project on placing School Resource Officers in middle schools.

Peyton Clark, Jeremy Gibson, Matt Park, and Lindsey Dixon, students at Monticello High School, presented their Citizen Action Project on Standardized Testing and portfolios.

Zoe Smith and Neal Mitchell, students at Monticello High School, presented their Citizen Action Project on world languages in elementary schools.

Aaron Dudley and Sarah Hale, students at Monticello High School, presented their Citizen Action Project on the idea of a fourth high school in Albemarle County.

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

Department of Building Services Strategic Brief**:** Mr. Letteri provided the Board with an overview of the department's goals for the year. The presentation also touched on successes and challenges that the department faces.

Agenda Item No. 8.1. Update from County Student Council.

The Executive Committee of the County Student Advisory Council presented to the Board about the work that they have been discussing in their meetings. Topics discussed were decile ranking, the Division's Strategic Plan, technology, field trip funding, and resources. The group also had presentations on the budget development process and the student behavioral handbook. A current topic of interest and discussion include technology integration in the classroom.

Board members noted or asked the following: 1) what was the feeling of Council members on the reporting of decile ranking, 2) the Council should research the topic of how other divisions determine grade point average, 3) the desire for the Council to provide input on agenda items on future agendas, 4) what is the status of a representative sitting on the Board to provide input, and 5) how do the students think about their futures and how they plan for the future.

Agenda Item No. 8.2. Break.

There was a break from 8:15 p.m. until 8:21 p.m.

Agenda Item No. 8.3. Proposed 2014-2015 School Calendar.

Dr. Haas provided the Board with an overview of the proposed 2014-2015 School Calendar. The key differences between the 2013-14 and the 2014-15 calendars include the following: 1) No half-days, 2) The additional professional development day from 2013-14 has been moved to be an unassigned professional development day for staff (there is a total of 4), 3) Spring break is back to the first full week in April, 4) The two division-wide professional development days have been moved to the start of the calendar, 5) The fall workday is on a Friday.

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

Agenda Item No. 8.4. Technology Integration Pilot Update.

Dr. Turner and Dr. Costa provided the Board with information on Monticello High School's 1:1 technology integration pilot for 9th grade students. The goal of the project is to provide students a tool to enhance the learning in a more integrated, blended curriculum. The technology should be an integral part of how the classroom functions, assisting students to obtain information in a timely manner, analyze and synthesize the information, and present it professionally with the focus being on the curriculum outcome, not the technology.

Board members noted or asked the following: 1) should the Board consider implementing a 1:1 across all high schools or should the roll-out be more gradual, 2) is there any sense of how many students do not have internet access, and 3) what is the life of a laptop or other device.

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

Mr. Koleszar said that it is important to continue our work on teaching student safety while driving.

Dr. Moran said that she reviewed the inclement weather days back to 1985. She said that we have a diesel fleet which requires staff to monitor temperatures more closely.

Agenda Item No. 10.1. Closed Meeting. None.
Agenda Item No. 11.1. Certify Closed Meeting. None.

Agenda Item No. 12.1. Adjournment.

At 9:09 p.m., hearing no objections, Mr. Gallaway adjourned the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board.

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Chairman

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Clerk