A Business Meeting of the Albemarle County School Board was held on August 14, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., Lane Auditorium, Albemarle County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

PRESENT: Ms. Kate Acuff; Ms. Barbara Massie Mouly (arrived at 6:10 p.m.); Mr. Ned Gallaway; Mr. Stephen Koleszar; and Mrs. Pamela Moynihan.

ABSENT: Mr. Jason Buyaki and Mr. Eric Strucko.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pam Moran, Superintendent; Dr. Billy Haun, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Dr. Matt Haas, Assistant Superintendent for Organizational and Human Resource Leadership; Mr. Dean Tistadt, Chief Operating Officer; Mr. Vince Scheivert, Chief Information Officer; Mr. Joe Letteri, Director of Building Services; Ms. Rosalyn Schmitt, Project Manager; Ms. Nicole Storm, Legislative and Public Affairs Officer; Mr. John Blair, Senior Assistant County Attorney; and Ms. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk of the School Board.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Closed Meeting.

At 6:00 p.m., Mr. Koleszar 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 and transfer of specific administrative employees; the performance of a specific employee; and the assignment of specific employees. Mrs. Moynihan **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Strucko, Mr. Buyaki and Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Agenda Item No. 1.2. Closed Meeting Certification.

At 6:32 p.m., Mr. Koleszar 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. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded vote:**

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

Motion carried by a 5:0:2 vote.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to appoint Mr. Andy Johnson as interim principal at Stony Point Elementary School. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 1.3. Call to Order.

At 6:32 p.m., Mr. Gallaway, Chairman, called the meeting back to order.

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

Agenda Item. No. 2.1. Approval of Agenda.

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

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Consent Agenda

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3.2 Minutes
3.3 Summer Fine Arts Academy FY14/15
3.4 For Information: Learning Resources Selection and Adoption
3.5 Return of Condemnation of Land to CATEC
3.6 Re-appropriation of Miscellaneous Grant Funds FY14/15
3.7 The Community Public Charter School FY14/15
3.8 Personnel Action
3.9 Personnel Action – Athletic Coaches
3.10 For Action: Policy Reviews and Revisions
3.11 For Information: Crisis Plan Certifications

Mrs. Moynihan asked for the minutes of April 10, 2014 to be removed as she was not in attendance. Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the consent agenda minus the minutes. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the April 10, 2014 minutes. Mrs. Mouly **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Moynihan abstaining**.

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Spotlight on Education.

Dr. Moran said that one of the most important topics for this Board and for all of us as educators is the quality and effectiveness of the learning environment. Research tells us that when students are interested and engaged, when they are comfortable and when they are friendly, learning occurs at a very high level.

Thanks to the dedication of our classified staff, learning is not restricted to our classrooms. Learning happens on school buses, in cafeterias, on the athletic fields and on stage. Tonight, we have with us, one such unusual educator. Peggy Morris has been a valuable member of our Child Nutrition team for more than a decade and currently is the cafeteria manager at Greer Elementary School. Peggy and her colleagues helped to make Albemarle County Public Schools one of the first school divisions in Virginia last year to receive a perfect federal audit score.

Beginning next week, Child Nutrition will begin serving between 8,000 and 9,000 meals each day to students. And, I'm proud to say that the word nutrition is very important. Under Christina Pitsenberger's leadership, we began transitioning to healthier foods several years before school lunch and nutrition became a national headline.

She then invited Ms. Pitsenberger and Ms. Morris to share their thoughts about the impact they and their colleagues are having on our students.

Agenda Item No. 5.2. Announcements.

Mr. Tistadt said that in partnership with the Albemarle County Police Department some action being taken to enhance student safety with the opening of school specifically public service announcements have been prepared and will be issued by the police department, a message board will be placed out reminding motorists that schools will be opening, and there will be an increase of officers in school zones.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. Public Comment. None.

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

Dr. Moran introduced Bekah Saxon who is the new Blueridge Uniserv Director who works with the Albemarle Education Association.

Dr. Moran recognized Dr. Haun for his service to Albemarle County Public Schools. He is leaving the division to become the Chief Instructional Officer with the Virginia Department of Education.

Dr. Haun and Ms. Collins shared with the Board the school work that has been taking place within the division over the summer. Mr. Scheivert shared with the Board information on the interns that worked with the Department of Accountability, Research and Technology.

Dr. Haas provided a hiring update. To date 407 teachers have been hired. There are still a few part-time positions needing to be filled. He also provided demographic information on those hired.

Agenda Items No. 8.1. Digital Learning Initiative - Update

Dr. Haun and Mr. Scheivert provided an update on the digital learning initiative. The presentation included a review of the expected impacts of the pilot, information on the readiness prep, and a review of the schools piloting the initiative in 2014/2015.

Mrs. Moynihan asked about the procedures for replacing equipment. She also asked about how students are taking care of the machines.

Ms. Acuff asked about the number of students who do not have internet access at his/her residence.

Agenda Item No. 8.2. Summer 2014 Support Services Update.

Mr. Letteri and Mr. Tistadt provided an update on the summer support services work that is taking place within the division. The presentation included department overviews, a review of maintenance and custodial work within the division, a review of security improvements taking place at school facilities, an update on the QuickStart Tennis Court donation, an update on mobile classroom relocation, an overview of the summer facility rental, an update on the Henley Gym addition design, an update on the work taking place in the Department of Transportation, and an update on the Child Nutrition summer work.

Agenda Item No. 8.3. Break

There was a break from 7:54 p.m. until 8:05 p.m.

Agenda Item No. 8.4. Capital Improvements Program (CIP) Recommendation.

Dr. Moran, Mr. Tistadt and Ms. Schmitt provided the Board with a presentation on the capitals improvements program and the learning space modernization project. The presentation included information on the renovations included in the capital improvements program, information on the age of each school facility, evaluation results of contemporary learning spaces within the school facilities, research that supports the need for contemporary learning spaces, and a project timeline for the modernization project. In addition, the presentation included a review of the Long-Range Planning Advisory Committee's recommendations for the capital improvements program and information on the projects included in the program.

Mr. Koleszar noted that he was concerned with the connectivity piece in the modernization project.

Mrs. Mouly expressed concern that the estimate for modernization is not adequate to make changes at all of the schools. She asked what the Board of Supervisors would need to do to fund the suggested projects from the school division.

Mrs. Moynihan said that the school division should be looking at making changes to facilities in all classrooms rather than focusing on furniture. She also asked why high school space so far down on the suggested project list for the capital improvements program.

Mr. Gallaway said that he would support the modernization project.

Agenda Item No. 8.5. August 26 Joint Meeting Discussion.

Mr. Gallaway said that the Board will be meeting with the Board of Supervisors on August 26, 2014. A draft agenda will be provided to staff tomorrow so that they can begin to prepare for the meeting. Once finalized, it will be provided to the both Boards.

Agenda Item No. 8.6. Work Session Topic Discussion.

Mr. Gallaway said that the August work session would be on capital improvements. He and Ms. Mouly have asked staff to provide a list of suggestions for potential work sessions. He then asked the Board to provide any additional topics that were not provided at the retreat.

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

Ms. Storm provided an update on some legislative items. The Board of Supervisors has had some initial conversation about their legislative priorities. They would like to move the legislative meeting to October to give more time for feedback from the legislators.

Ms. Acuff asked if the Board were to support a redistricting as recommended by the Long-Range Planning Advisory Committee, how that process would take place.

Mr. Gallaway said that he has been out in schools and at New Teacher Academy over the last couple weeks. The environment has felt positive and everyone is ready for school to start.

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

Agenda Item No. 12.1. Adjournment.

At 9:34 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