A Work Session of the Albemarle County School Board was held on January 22, 2015 at 6:30 p.m., Room 241, Albemarle County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

PRESENT: Dr. Ned Gallaway; Ms. Kate Acuff; Mr. Eric Strucko; Mr. Stephen Koleszar; Mrs. Pamela Moynihan; Mrs. Barbara Massie Mouly (arrived at 6:50 p.m.) and Mr. Jason Buyaki.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Pamela Moran, Superintendent; Dr. Matt Haas, Executive Director; Mr. Vincent Scheivert, Chief Information Officer; Mr. Dean Tistadt, Chief Operating Officer; Dr. Bernard Hairston, Executive Director of Community Engagement; Ms. Debora Collins, Executive Director of K-12 Education; Mr. Kevin Kirst, Director of Special Education and Student Services; Dr. Russell Carlock, International and ESOL Program Coordinator; Mr. Jackson Zimmermann, Executive Director of Fiscal Services; Mr. John Blair, Senior Assistant County Attorney; and Mrs. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Closed Meeting – if needed. None.
Agenda Item No. 1.2. Certify Closed Meeting. None.

Agenda Item No. 1.3. Call to Order.

At 6:31 p.m. Dr. Gallaway, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

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

Agenda Item No. 2.1. Agenda.

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

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Approval of Consent Agenda.

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3.2 Minutes
3.3 Donation to the Department of Instruction for Field Trips
3.4 For Action: Proposed 2015-16 School Calendar
3.5 The Shannon Foundation for Excellence Grant FY 14/15
3.6 For Action: Policy Reviews and Revisions
3.7 For Information: Policy Reviews and Revisions

Mr. Buyaki asked to pull Policy INC, Policy GCPA, and the minutes. Dr. Gallaway pulled the proposed 2015/2016 school calendar from the consent agenda. Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the consent agenda minus the items pulled. Mr. Strucko **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Agenda Item No. 4.1. Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** to approve the June 11, 2014 joint meeting minutes. Ms. Acuff **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Buyaki abstaining and Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** to approve the October 29, 2014 minutes. Ms. Acuff **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Buyaki abstaining and Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** to approve the December 4, 2014 minutes. Mr. Koleszar **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Moynihan and Mr. Buyaki abstaining and Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** to approve the January 15, 2015 minutes. Ms. Acuff **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Strucko abstaining and Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Policy GCPA: Mr. Buyaki noted that on page 5 the language is updated to state "should not be counted", and suggested that the language be changed to "shall not be counted". Staff will make the change and bring a revised policy back to the Board for approval.

Policy INC: Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** to kill Policy INC. Mr. Strucko **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** to approve Policy INC version 2. Mr. Strucko **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mrs. Mouly absent.**

2015/16 School Division Calendar: Dr. Gallaway pulled the calendar to discuss make up days. He said that additional feedback has been provided and staff will work to review the feedback and make changes as necessary. The calendar will be placed on a future agenda for approval.

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Announcements.

Mr. Koleszar noted that he would be running for his 6th term for the Scottsville magisterial district on the School Board.

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

Dr. Hairston recognized Dr. Winx Lawrence the director of the Young Women's Leadership Program and the organization during National Mentoring Month. Dr. Lawrence provided the Board with an overview of the program. Dr. Gallaway then presented Dr. Lawrence a certificate of partnership from Albemarle County Public Schools.

Agenda Item No. 7.1. Public Comment on Field Lighting Project.

Dr. Gallaway opened public comment on the Field Lighting Project.

Ms. Alice Riccabona, president of the Northside Cal Ripken League, said that they held a community meeting on Tuesday at Sutherland Middle School to discuss the project. Letters have also been circulated. Three individuals showed up who expressed concern about noise and additional traffic. She does not feel that the project would increase traffic and increase the amount of noise.

Hearing no further comment, Dr. Gallaway closed public comment.

Agenda Item No. 7.2. Northside Cal Ripken Field Lighting Project.

Dr. Gallaway noted that the requested action is to endorse the project to move forward to the next step in the County process. Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** to approve the minor site plan amendments submitted to the School Board by the Cal Ripken League for the Carson Raymond Field at Sutherland Middle School. Mr. Strucko **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed.**

Agenda Item No. 7.3. National Mentoring Month Partnership Presentation. (Heard under Agenda Item No. 6.1.)

Agenda Item No. 7.4. FY2015/16 Budget Worksession.

Mr. Zimmermann provided the Board with an overview of the funding request. The presentation included a review of revenues, a review of expenditures, drivers in developing the funding request, and a review of the budget process.

Ms. Acuff asked what is included in the health insurance increase.

Mr. Strucko asked: 1) when it was decided that the compensation increase would be for only six months, 2) the additional cost of a full year raise, and 3) the amount of money in fund balance and how much was being allocated for use in the proposed funding request.

Dr. Haas and Ms. Collins then provided the Board with information on the funding request for the Department of Instruction. The presentation covered the instructional objectives and an overview of the budget for the Department of Instruction.

Mr. Kirst then provided information on the funding request for Student Services. The presentation included an overview of the specialized instructional programs, an overview of Special Education growth, a review of Special Education staffing requirements, and an overview of the Comprehensive Services Act.

Mr. Strucko asked about the post high school component of the special education budget.

Mrs. Moynihan asked how much money is the county and federal government funding through the Comprehensive Services Act for these services.

Mr. Buyaki asked about the increase of FTEs and how is the increase broken down in terms of positions. He also asked when the needs are greater than the forecast, how are the services funded?

Dr. Gallaway asked how much the division saves by participating in the Piedmont Regional Education Program.

Mr. Koleszar asked what type of student would be served in a private day placement. Should the school division study the idea of building a facility similar to Ivy Creek for placement of students who are served in private day placement?

There was a break from 8:24 p.m. until 8:37 p.m.

Dr. Carlock then provided information on the funding request for ESOL. The presentation included an overview of the growth in ESOL and an overview of translation and interpretation services.

Dr. Gallaway asked about the types of services provided to ESOL students.

Mr. Koleszar expressed concern that there was no initiative or funds in the proposed funding request to advance the elementary world language program.

There was Board consensus for staff to provide more information on the cost for expanding the elementary world language program to another elementary school.

Board members requested information on stipends paid to teachers for the various roles that they take on at the schools.

Agenda Item No. 8.1. Public Comment. None.

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

Mr. Koleszar noted that he sent an email to the Board about the Governor's budget redirecting Bright Stars funding from localities that were not using it to localities that were using it. He was wondering if the Board wanted to endorse the issue in the legislative packet, however, Albemarle County is not using all of the slots allocated.

Dr. Moran said that several of our choral programs came together to raise funds and awareness to fight domestic violence.

Ms. Acuff said that she and Supervisor McKeel will be hosting a tele-town hall to seek input on the budget.

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

Agenda Item No 12.1. Adjournment

At 9:31 p.m., Dr. Gallaway, hearing no objections, adjourned the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board.

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Chairman

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Clerk