

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Thursday, January 8, 2014
5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Charlie Collins, Chairman
H. Thomas Griffith, Vice-Chairman
Wayne Bostic
Linda Cross
Linda Garrett
Carl G. Jackson

Mr. Charlie Collins, Chairman, called the January 8, 2014, board meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Jackson, the Board voted unanimously to go into executive session under Code 2.2-3711 (A)(1) Personnel and Code 2.2-3711 (A)(7) Consultation with Legal Counsel.

After approximately one hour and thirty-four minutes in executive session, upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, the Board voted unanimously to go back into regular session.

Mr. Jackson read the following certification motion: "Mr. Chairman, I move to certify that to the best of our knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion to go into executive session were heard, discussed or considered in executive session." The motion was seconded by Mr. Griffith.

The roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS:	Mr. Jackson Mr. Griffith Mr. Bostic Mrs. Garrett Mrs. Cross Mr. Collins	NAYS:	None
		ABSTENTIONS:	None

Mr. Collins relinquished the floor to Dr. Brenda Hess, Superintendent, to conduct the reorganization of the Board.

Dr. Hess opened the floor for nominations for Chairman.

Mrs. Cross nominated Mr. Collins for Chairman. Mrs. Garrett seconded the nomination, and the nomination was unanimously approved.

Dr. Hess relinquished the floor to Mr. Collins to continue the meeting.

Mr. Collins opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairman.

Mrs. Cross nominated Mr. Griffith. Mrs. Garrett seconded the nomination, and it was unanimously approved.

Mrs. Cross nominated Mrs. Tammy Gilbert as Clerk of the Board. Mrs. Garrett seconded the nomination, and it was unanimously approved.

Mrs. Cross nominated Chafin Law Firm to serve as School Board Attorney. Mrs. Garrett seconded the nomination, and it was unanimously approved.

The Board will continue to operate under Robert's Rules of Order.

Mrs. Cross made a motion that the meetings continue to be held on the first Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m. for executive session and 6:30 p.m. for regular session. It was seconded by Mrs. Garrett and unanimously approved.

Mr. Collins appointed himself and Mr. Jackson to the insurance committee. Mr. Bostic will serve as an alternate.

Mr. Collins appointed Mrs. Garrett and Mrs. Cross to serve as Liasons to the Board of Supervisors.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Garrett and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board unanimously appointed Mrs. Cross to the A. Linwood Holton Governor's School.

Mr. Collins stated that all board members would work on the budget. If necessary, two board members would be appointed later to work on a committee with the Board of Supervisors.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Jackson, the Board unanimously approved the VSBA of Conduct.

Upon motion made by Mr. Bostic and seconded by Mrs. Cross, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2013, regular and December 19, 2013, continued meetings.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, the Board unanimously approved the January bills numbered 896081-896085, 80614-80616, 895763-896080, 80109-80601, 661553, 80602-80613, 1002-1003, 661554-661571, 661509-661552, 661572-661582, 661585-661727, and 770 in the amount of \$3,141,156.11 to be distributed as follows:

County School Operating	-	Payroll	\$2,502,107.12
County School Operating	-	Bills	\$ 350,731.69
County School Operating	-	Title 1 Payroll	\$ 138,419.69
County School Operating	-	Title 1 Bills	\$ 921.24
School Food Program	-	Payroll	\$ 84,651.82
School Food Program	-	Bills	\$ 64,324.55

Mr. Reggie Childers appeared before the Board to address concerns that arose from the committee meeting on the proposed Frisbee Golf Course at Lebanon Primary School. Mr. Griffith asked that the School Board Attorney review the Virginia

Recreational Use Statute that Mr. Childers provided. Mr. Griffith also stated that an agreement would need to be prepared by the attorney with the Board and the responsible party.

Dr. Hess informed the Board that the VSBA has proclaimed January, 2014 as Bullying Prevention Month.

Upon motion made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mrs. Cross, the Board unanimously approved the attached proclamation regarding bullying. (Attachment #1)

Upon motion made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mrs. Cross, the Board unanimously approved the first reading of the Anti Bullying and Threat Assessment Policies.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, the Board unanimously approved the following personnel:

transfer Morgan Robinette from Project Lifeline teacher at Lebanon High School to teacher at the Alternative Center, replacing Andy Burks, effective immediately;

appoint Andrew Houser as a part-time Title I Technology teacher at Copper Creek Elementary School, replacing Jennifer Price, effective immediately; and

appoint Mark Dockery as Project Lifeline teacher at Lebanon High School, replacing Morgan Robinette, effective immediately.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, the Board voted unanimously to advertise for the Head Custodian position at Honaker Elementary School and the Coordinator of ITRT for Russell County Schools.

Dr. Brenda Hess presented the Board with additional information on student enrollment and number of students lost from the previous year and where the students moved.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, the Board unanimously approved having the attorney review the easement regarding the placement of two poles on the Cleveland property from American Electric Power.

The next regular meeting will be held on February 6, 2014.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Jackson, the Board voted unanimously to continue the January 8, 2014, meeting to January 22, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. All candidates interested in filling the at-large position on the Board will be required to attend the January 22 meeting to present themselves to the Board.

Chairman

Clerk