

REGULAR MEETING of the NOTTOWAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
January 11, 2018 7:00 P.M.

Board Members Present: Jackie Hawkes, Curtis Hurte, Jr., Bob Horn, Shelli Hinton and Clive Pettis, Sr.

Administrative Staff Present: Dr. Rodney Berry, Superintendent; Dr. Daisy Hicks, Director of Human Resources, Operations and Testing; Amy Eberly, Director of Finance; Dr. Joan Dooley, Direction of Exceptional Education; Marcia Martin, Director of Instruction, Grants and Testing; Charlotte Wood, Clerk; Donna Wade, Deputy Clerk; Jane Geyer, NMS Principal; Reggie Wilson, NHS Principal; Chandra Lewis, NHS Assistant Principal; Stephanie Poe, NIS Principal.

Agenda Item #1 - CALL TO ORDER / MOMENT OF SILENCE / PRAYER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Berry called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Agenda Item #2 – REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL BOARD

- A. Election of Board Chairman.
 - i. Nomination was made by Curtis Hurte for Shelli Hinton to preside as chairperson. Second was made by Bob Horn.
 - ii. Vote:
 - 1. Pettis – Nay
 - 2. Hinton – Aye
 - 3. Hurte – Aye
 - 4. Horn – Aye
 - 5. Hawkes – Aye
 - a. Motion passed with a 4-1 vote.
- B. Election of Vice-Chairman.
 - i. Nomination was made by Bob Horn for Jackie Hawkes to preside as vice-chairman. Second was made by Curtis Hurte. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.
- C. Appointment of Clerk, Charlotte Wood, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent. Curtis Hurte made the motion. Jackie Hawkes made the second, all in favor.
- D. Appointment of Deputy Clerk, Donna Wade, Accounts Payable Manager. Curtis Hurte made the motion. Bob Horn made the second, all in favor.
- E. Set School Board Meetings of 2018. Bob Horn made the motion. Curtis Hurte made the second. All in favor
- F. Authorization of the Superintendent and Designee to take certain actions during the 2018 year. Bob Horn made the motion. Curtis Hurte made the second. Discussion from the board was made regarding – Line item transfers to the budget. Do not want money from one budget. Mr. Pettis wanted to go on record he is not for this practice. Motion passed with a 4-1 vote.
- G. Bonding of the Superintendent, Clerk, Deputy Clerk and Payroll Clerk. Curtis Hurte made the motion. Bob Horn made the second, all in favor.

Agenda Item #3 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair asked if there was a motion to approve the January 11, 2018 agenda. Jackie Hawkes made a motion. Curtis Hurte seconded the motion, all in favor.

Agenda Item #4a - AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- A. Nottoway Middle School recognitions: Student of the month, Support Staff of the Month and Teacher of the Month.
- B. School Highlights – NMS – Steam Lab. Mrs. Martin introduced Judy Diechman, Annah Bowen and NMS students who discussed the program.
- C. VSBA Certified Green School Division – Platinum Certification – by Annette Brown, Energy Manager. We have \$3.4 million cost avoidance.

Agenda Item #4b – PUBIC HEARING – Chairman

Budget Hearing

Input for the 2018-19 Budget – Dr. Berry. The PowerPoint was shown highlighting Division’s Biennial Budget for 2018-20, Principles/Goals, ADM, Composite Index, Governor’s Proposed Budget, VRS Rates for 2018-20, Staff Survey reflecting step increase and 1% raise and assist with health insurance, Possible Budget Reduction Recommendations to consider and Budget Updates. Dr. Berry summarized details involving the budget.

Open Public Hearing:

- 1. Sonny Abbott, District 3 Resident

Close Pubic Hearing

Agenda Item #5 - DELEGATIONS / PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. None at this time.

Agenda Item #6 - CONSENT AGENDA:

Curtis Hurte offered a motion to approve the consent agenda. Jackie Hawkes seconded the motion, all in favor.

- A. Approval of Minutes: December 14, 2017
- B. Financial Report: December 31, 2017
- C. Payrolls: December 15 & 31, 2017
- D. Monthly Warrants
- E. Budget Adjustments: A2

Aenda Item #7 ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Appointment of a School Board Member to the Governor’s School Joint Board. Curtis Hurte made the motion that Shelli Hinton be appointed to serve. Jackie Hawkes seconded, all in favor.
- B. Appointment of a School Board Member as VSBA Delegate. Bob Horn made the motion that Jackie Hawkes be appointed to serve. Curtis Hurte seconded, all in favor.

- C. Appointment of a School Board Member as VSBA Alternate Delegate. Bob Horn made the motion that Curtis Hurte be appointed to serve. Jackie Hawkes seconded, all in favor.
- D. Adoption of the VSBA Code of Conduct for School Board Members. Bob Horn made the motion to adopt. Curtis Hurte seconded, all in favor.
- E. Renewal of the VSBA Policy Contract. Jackie Hawkes made the motion to approve. Curtis Hurte seconded, all in favor.
- F. Approval to relocate playground equipment on the Real Property leased by the Town of Blackstone. Philip Vannoorbeeck, Blackstone Town Manager, presented drawings of exact relocation of the playground equipment. Fencing will be around the equipment. Discussion was made by the board. Bob Horn made the motion to approve. Jackie Hawkes second. All in favor.
- G. Approval of the 2018-19 School Calendar by Dr. Hicks. Jackie Hawkes made the motion to approve. Bob Horn seconded. All in favor.
- H. Permission to apply for Steelcase Education Grant by Marcia Martin. Bob Horn made the motion to approve. Curtis Hurte second. All in favor.
- I. Approval to join the COVA Local Plan Health Insurance by Amy Eberly. Gregory Snow with USI presented an Overview of Healthcare Plans and Alternate Options. Discussion from board members regarding the Insurance Plans. Underwriters are projecting a possible 30% increase with the current plan.
 - a. Curtis made a motion to not approve the binding COVA commitment and revisit for next year. No seconded. Motion failed.

Agenda Item #8 NON-ACTION ITEMS:

- A. None

Agenda Items #9 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A. Lead Teacher Report. An update was presented to the board by Marcia Martin and lead teachers.
- B. Instructional Update by Marcia Martin.
- C. Online Registration at NMS by Marcia Martin, Lauren White and Bev Cogar.

Agenda Item #10 MATTERS OF SCHOOL BOARD INTEREST

- A. School Board Budget Work Session, 6:30 p.m., School Board Office – Tuesday, January 23, 2018
- B. VSBA Capital Conference, Richmond Marriott – January 22-23, 2018
- C. VSBA Orientation for New Chair and Vice-Chair, Richmond Marriott – January 23, 2018
- D. Joint Board Budget Meeting with SB and BOS – TBA (February or March)
- E. Second Public Hearing on 2018-19 Budget – February 8, 2018
- F. VSBA Superintendent Evaluation Workshop – February 22, 2018
- G. School Board Budget Work Session, 7 p.m., School Board Office – March 22, 2018
- H. 2018 Regional Spring Network Forum – Nottoway County to host – April 30, 2018
- I. Student Liaison Report by James Cox. Keys to Success Club – Career Fair. Wrestling Team in Cumberland. Tournament Saturday. Microsoft Certification for the State.
- J. Future Agenda Items
- K. Other – none

Agenda Item #11 CLOSED MEETING RESOLUTION

Jackie Hawkes offered a motion pursuant to section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia that the Board convene a “Closed Meeting” for the purpose of discussing the following specific matters:

- A.1 The consideration of personnel for two (2) appointments (one substitute teacher and one webmaster) and two (2) resignations (one head weight room coach and one 6th grade teacher) as authorized by Section 2.2-3711.A.1

Curtis Hurte seconded. All in favor.

Agenda Item #12 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Jackie Hawkes offered a motion that the Board return to “Open Meeting” and certify by recorded vote, that to the best of each Board Member’s knowledge, only public matters lawfully exempted from “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”. Bob Horn seconded the motion and the motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Hawkes, Horn, Hinton, Hurte, Pettis

NAYS: None

Motion passed by a 5:0 vote

Agenda Item #13 ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

Superintendent’s Personnel Agenda.

Jackie Hawkes offered motion to accept two (2) appointments (one substitute teacher, one webmaster stipend of \$500, and two (2) resignations (one head weight room coach and one 6th grade teacher). Curtis Hurte seconded the motion, motion passed 4-1.

i. Vote:

1. Pettis – Aye
2. Hinton – Aye
3. Horn – Nay
4. Hurte – Aye
5. Hawkes – Aye

a. Motion passed with a 4-1 vote

Agenda Item #14 ADJOURNMENT

Jackie Hawkes offered motion to adjourn at 9:42 p.m. Curtis Hurte seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Shelli Hinton, Chairperson

Date

Charlotte D. Wood, Clerk