

MINUTES

Fairfax County School Board

Luther Jackson Middle School

Regular Meeting No. 13

February 14, 2008

1. **CLOSED MEETING**

Chairman Dan Storck convened the Board in public session at 6:20 p.m. with a quorum of members present:

Elizabeth T. Bradsher (Springfield)	Phillip A. Niedzielski-Eichner (Providence; arr. 7:00)
Brad Center (Lee)	James L. Raney (At Large)
Stuart D. Gibson (Hunter Mill)	Kathy L. Smith (Sully)
Martina A. Hone (At Large)	Daniel G. Storck (Mt. Vernon)
Kaye Kory (Mason)	Jane K. Strauss (Dranesville)
Ilryong Moon (At Large)	Tessie Wilson (Braddock)

Mr. Raney moved, and Mrs. Strauss seconded, that the Board go into closed session: 1) to discuss and consider the employment and disciplining of a specific public employee pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(1); 2) to discuss and consider disciplinary matters concerning students pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(2); 3) to protect the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(4); and 4) to consult with legal counsel regarding actual litigation and legal issues in connection with school boundaries requiring the provision of legal advice by counsel pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(7). The motion **passed 11-0**, with Mrs. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mrs. Kory, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss and Mrs. Wilson voting "aye," and with Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner not present for the vote.

2. **MEETING OPENING**

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2.01 Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence/National Anthem

Chairman Storck convened the meeting at 7:12 p.m. with a quorum of Board members present. Also present were Division Superintendent Jack D. Dale; Deputy Superintendent Richard Moniuszko; Executive Assistant Pamela Goddard; Deputy Executive Assistant Linda Sabo; and certain other members of staff. Student Representative to the School Board James Rosenquist was present.

Chairman Storck thanked the Marshall High School Trumpet Ensemble for their performance of the National Anthem.

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2.02 Certification of Closed Meeting Compliance (Exhibit A)

Mr. Center moved, and Mr. Gibson seconded, that since the Fairfax County School Board convened a closed session meeting on February 14, 2008, pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and since Section 2.2.3712(D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the School Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law, the Fairfax County School Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, 1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting, and 2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered. The foregoing also shall be deemed to include the certification of each member of this School Board who served on a student disciplinary committee, since the last certification, that the closed meetings of the student disciplinary committees on which the member served during that time period are lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Section 2.2-3711(A)(2) of the Code of Virginia, as stated in the annual organizational meeting of the School Board held in January, and that only student disciplinary matters were heard, discussed or considered in the closed committee meeting or meetings attended by the member for that purpose. The motion **passed 11-0-1**, with Mrs. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mrs. Kory, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss and Mrs. Wilson voting "aye," and with Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner abstaining.

2.03. Announcements (Exhibit B)

Mrs. Kory announced that March was National Women's History Month; and Mr. Rosenquist introduced Arvin Ahmadi, a rising junior at TJHSST, who had just been elected by the Student Advisory Council to serve as the 2008-2009 Student Representative to the School Board.

2.04 Resolution Recognizing Visiting Japanese Teacher (Exhibit C)

Mr. Gibson moved, and Mrs. Strauss seconded, to adopt the Resolution Recognizing Visiting Japanese Teacher Ms. Yumiko Uto. The motion **passed unanimously**.

The Board members joined Ms. Yumiko Uto for presentation of the resolution and photographs.

2.05 Resolution Recognizing Fairfax County Public Schools Success (Exhibit D)

Mr. Suresh Shenoy, from the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, presented the Board with a resolution from the Chamber congratulating Fairfax County Public Schools on their successful schools; Board members joined Mr. Shenoy for photographs and acceptance of the framed resolution.

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3. PRESENTATIONS TO SCHOOL BOARD

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3.01 **Citizen Participation** (Exhibit E)

One speaker addressed the Board in the time reserved for public comment regarding the Gatehouse Administration Center Phase I Cost Savings Report.

3.02 **Student Achievement Goal 1.5. Effectively Use Technology to Access, Communicate, and Apply Knowledge and to Foster Creativity** (S; Exhibit F; action scheduled 2/28/08)

Dr. Dale introduced Peter Noonan, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services, who presented a video and reviewed a PowerPoint presentation on the performance measures to be used for successful attainment of Student Achievement Goal 1.5., Effectively Use Technology to Access, Communicate, and Apply Knowledge and to Foster Creativity; Mr. Noonan noted that technology was integrated throughout the curriculum and students had increased access to learning opportunities that were enhanced by technology; one example was the grade 5 global awareness technology project, which was currently a pilot in 20 schools and ultimately would be phased in at all schools by 2009-2010, with preliminary data available by fall 2010; staff would continue to expand instructional technology to help students learn those skills that were essential in today's digital world.

Comments included the following: commendation for maintaining an excellent balance between the high-quality curriculum and teacher innovations, while using individualized instruction to help meet students' needs; request for staff to report best practices next year; comment to explore how technology impacted student learning and how it could be used to successfully close the student achievement gap; staff to consider that challenge for the future.

4. ACTION ITEMS

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4.01 **Student Achievement Goals 1.1.4. Social Studies and 1.4. - Understand the Interrelationship and Interdependence of the Countries and Cultures of the World** - Accept the report as a reasonable interpretation of the Board's goals, including indicators to measure attainment of the goal, the timeline, and the aspirational expectation of Student Achievement Goals 1.1.4. Social Studies and 1.4. Understand the Interrelationship and Interdependence of the Countries and Cultures of the World (IS; Exhibit G; presented as new business 1/24/08)

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Mrs. Smith moved, and Mr. Gibson seconded, to accept the report as a reasonable interpretation of the Board's goals, including indicators to measure attainment of the goal, the timeline, and the aspirational expectation of Student Achievement Goals 1.1.4. Social Studies and 1.4. Understand the Interrelationship and Interdependence of the Countries and Cultures of the World.

Comments included the following: concern that the academic expectations for certain groups of students (including minorities, English as a Second Language, and low income) were set too low, and the Board should consider revising the goal to address that concern with appropriate language; it was critically important to address the challenge of closing the achievement gap by finding the appropriate methodology to achieve that goal; the staffing model that was used at the elementary and middle school levels ensured that the allocation of resources was greater for those students with more needs.

The motion to accept the report as a reasonable interpretation of the Board's goals, including indicators to measure attainment of the goal, the timeline, and the aspirational expectation of Student Achievement Goals 1.1.4. Social Studies and 1.4. Understand the Interrelationship and Interdependence of the Countries and Cultures of the World **passed 11-0-1**, with Mrs. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Kory, Mr. Moon, Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss and Mrs. Wilson voting "aye," and with Ms. Hone abstaining.

- 4.02 FY 2009 Advertised Budget** - Recommendation to adopt the FY 2009 Advertised Budget as presented and detailed in the agenda item (FS; Exhibit H; presented as new business 1/10/08; public hearings held 2/6/08 and 2/11/08; work sessions held 1/28/08 and 2/11/08)

Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner moved, and Mr. Center seconded, to adopt the FY 2009 Advertised Budget, as detailed in the agenda item, and with the following revisions: 1) eliminate student activity and athletic fees, reducing revenue by \$2.7 million; 2) eliminate student test fees for AP/IB/PSAT, reducing revenue by \$2.5 million; 3) restore funding of \$1.0 million for the elementary focus program; 4) restore funding of \$0.4 million to continue the modified calendar program at three schools; 5) restore funding of \$1.8 million for 55 general education instructional assistant positions; 6) restore funding of \$1.7 million for transportation of GT, TJHSST, and administratively-placed students; 7) restore funding of \$0.7 million for the College Partnership Program; 8) partially restore funding of \$4.7 million for the special education preschool program, reducing the number of instructional assistant positions by one-third while maintaining the current teacher schedule and caseload; 9) restore funding of \$0.1 million to reinstate the following central office cuts—National Board Certified Teachers, ABA Secondary Program, and College Partnership Program; 10) reallocate the \$9.2 million currently budgeted for Teacher Leadership to a central account to fund the redesign of summer school; 11) reduce funding by \$3.4 million from the \$9.2 million budgeted for

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program redesign, leaving \$5.8 million for redesign of the Excel Program components, Quest, Student Accountability, Summit, and Young Scholars programs; 12) reduce funding for Full Day Kindergarten by \$2.7 million, which will reduce the expansion from 21 schools to 10 schools; 13) reduce funding by \$0.6 million for the FLES program, reducing expansion of new FLES schools from 16 to 8, and continuing the program implementation begun in 2008 at 16 schools; 14) defer completion of the elementary technology specialist model and eliminate \$1.5 million and 16 TSSpec positions; 15) reduce funding for SASI by \$1.0 million; 16) restore \$0.2 million for the Middle School and High School Enhancement Program; and 17) increase the amount of the County transfer request by \$6.6 million for a total increase of \$62.5 million or 3.9%.

Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner explained the revised motion, stating that in January the Superintendent had presented a proposed budget that identified a \$100 million gap between estimated revenues and the funding requirements of the school system; in an effort to economize and realize savings, the Superintendent had proposed that some programs be redesigned and streamlined, and other programs that no longer served their original purpose be eliminated; at the Board's direction, the Superintendent had included the continued expansion of full day kindergarten to the remaining elementary schools for \$5.7 million, expansion of the Foreign Language in the Elementary Schools (FLES) program to 16 more schools for \$2.1 million, and the redesign of the student information system for \$5.7 million; the enrollment projections for 2008-2009 were for approximately 2,600 additional students; the recommended compensation and benefits package for employees, which represented 85% of the overall budget and was necessary to stay competitive in the marketplace, would increase costs beyond the current baseline by almost \$70 million; the revised motion that he had introduced shifted resources but also eliminated activity, athletic, and testing fees, restored funding for focus schools, student transportation, and the special education preschool program, and reduced the number of schools for full day kindergarten and FLES expansion, resulting in a \$62.5 million or 3.9% transfer request from the Board of Supervisors; the County funded over 75% of the school system's budget, and the next step in the budget process was for the County to decide how much revenue the school system would receive, and then the Board would adopt the final approval budget in May; although everyone understood the declining economic situation within Virginia and the County, while student enrollment continued to grow and the Board's priorities to continue to offer a world-class education, this advertised budget must reflect the needs of the school system.

Comments included the following: question whether the redesigning or streamlining of some programs could result in an inability to continue to serve the neediest at-risk students; response that there would be a focus on providing essential early interventions for those students and the Board would have definitive information on the redesigns prior to the final budget adoption in May.

Mr. Gibson moved, and Mrs. Kory seconded, to amend the main motion by requesting an increase in the County transfer of \$16.0 million (to \$78.5 million),

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with the following program reductions restored: assistive technology teachers for \$0.2 million; class size increase (restoring entire 0.5 student increase) for \$11.0 million; general education Instructional Assistants (restoring entire cut) for \$1.8 million; inclusive school resource teachers (restoring entire cut) for \$0.6 million; special education preschool teachers (restoring the 55 positions that remain cut under the main motion) for \$1.2 million; full day kindergarten (adding four additional schools) for \$1.1 million; and Pathways to the Baccalaureate for \$0.1 million, for a total of \$16.0 million.

Mr. Gibson said that although he was pleased to see some restored cuts in the main motion, he was disappointed because others had not been included; raising class size and cutting the special education pre-school programs would have a negative impact; this amendment supported the high expectations that everyone had for students, parents, staff members, and community members; the Board of Supervisors had cut the tax rate over the past few years and this request could require an increase in the tax rate in a difficult economic situation; the Board was required to approve a final budget in May and would have to make some very difficult decisions then, but now was the time to advocate for the needs of Fairfax County Public Schools.

Comments included the following: the School Board's budget request must be a realistic representation of the school system's needs, but it would be competing with the other County agencies for funds; the state had recently predicted a drop in sales tax revenue and lottery revenue, which would also affect the budget; the fiscal situation was bleak, but it was important to strongly advocate for the needs of the entire FCPS community to ensure that the Board of Supervisors, the General Assembly, and the Congress were aware of what those needs were; there was \$270 million in unfunded state and federal mandates included in this budget; it was necessary that the Superintendent and staff continued their efforts to identify true savings and cost reductions; it was crucial that the public stayed involved in the budget process through May.

The motion to amend the main motion by requesting an increase in the County transfer of \$16.0 million (to \$78.5 million), with the following program reductions restored: assistive technology teachers for \$0.2 million; class size increase (restoring entire 0.5 student increase) for \$11.0 million; general education Instructional Assistants (restoring entire cut) for \$1.8 million; inclusive school resource teachers (restoring entire cut) for \$0.6 million; special education preschool teachers (restoring the 55 positions that remain cut under the main motion) for \$1.2 million; full day kindergarten (adding four additional schools) for \$1.1 million; and Pathways to the Baccalaureate for \$0.1 million, for a total of \$16.0 million **failed 6-6**, with Mrs. Bradsher, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mrs. Kory, Mr. Moon, and Mr. Raney voting "aye," and with Mr. Center, Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voting "nay."

Mr. Moon moved, and Mrs. Smith seconded, to amend the main motion by increasing the number of schools scheduled for full day kindergarten by four, with an additional cost of \$1.1 million, resulting in a total of 14 full day kindergarten

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schools for a cost of \$3.9 million, thereby increasing the amount of the County transfer request by \$1.1 million.

Mr. Moon noted that the Board had made expanding full day kindergarten a priority after much discussion and debate; there were 42 schools left and the initial plan had been to expand 21 schools per year over two years; the main motion would instead require four years for the expansion, but his amendment would accomplish that in three years.

Comments included the following: concern that it was difficult to choose between important programs and competing needs in this type of budget situation.

The motion to amend the main motion by increasing the number of schools scheduled for full day kindergarten by four, with an additional cost of \$1.1 million, resulting in a total of 14 full day kindergarten schools for a cost of \$3.9 million, thereby increasing the amount of the County transfer request by \$1.1 million **failed 5-7**, with Mrs. Bradsher, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Strauss voting "aye," and with Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mrs. Kory, Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner, Mr. Storck, and Mrs. Wilson voting "nay."

Mrs. Wilson moved, and Mr. Center seconded, to amend the main motion by reducing the funding for full day kindergarten by \$0.6 million, and FLES by \$0.6 million, and use the resulting \$1.2 million to restore full funding for the pre-school special education program.

Mr. Gibson moved, and Mrs. Kory seconded, to amend the amendment by striking the words "reducing the funding for full day kindergarten by \$0.6 million, and FLES by \$0.6 million, and use the resulting \$1.2 million to" so the motion would read "restoring full funding for the pre-school special education program by increasing the transfer request by \$1.2 million."

Comments included continued concern that it was difficult to choose between important programs and competing needs in this type of budget situation.

The motion to amend the amendment by striking the words "reducing the funding for full day kindergarten by \$0.6 million, and FLES by \$0.6 million, and use the resulting \$1.2 million to" so the motion would read "restoring full funding for the pre-school special education program by increasing the transfer request by \$1.2 million" **passed 7-5**, with Mrs. Bradsher, Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Kory, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, and Mr. Storck voting "aye," and with Mr. Center, Ms. Hone, Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voting "nay."

Comments about the amended amendment included the following: staff was reviewing this program to identify redesign efficiencies but had not completed that analysis yet; concern that the Board needed all the pertinent information before making such an important decision that would impact the teachers, the instructional assistants, and the children, many of whom had considerable needs.

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The motion to amend the main motion by restoring full funding for the pre-school special education program by increasing the transfer request by \$1.2 million **passed 9-3**, with Mrs. Bradsher, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mrs. Kory, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voting "aye," and with Mr. Center, Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner, and Mrs. Smith voting "nay."

Mrs. Hone moved, and Mrs. Kory seconded, to amend the main motion by reducing the legal fees account for \$0.5 million, and reallocating the \$0.5 million to South Lakes High School for programmatic enhancements including, but not limited to, restoring a full complement of Advanced Placement courses.

Ms. Hone noted that this amendment would bring in additional advanced placement (AP) courses to supplement South Lakes High School's International Baccalaureate (IB) courses, not replace them; the current boundary situation in the western part of the County was particularly contentious and this additional funding would help enhance the course offerings at South Lakes High School.

Comments and requests included the following: funding for AP classes was part of the staffing formula, although to start an AP program from scratch would require additional funds to cover teaching training; concern that if the amendment passed, the same benefit should be offered to the other seven schools that offered the IB program; last year the Board had voted to consolidate the legal fees from risk management and the division counsel; request for staff to provide, prior to the final budget vote in May, a breakout of the legal fees that were spent over the past five years, including efficiencies that had been realized by creating the division counsel's office and cost avoidances realized with outside legal firms; the issue of AP or IB courses at South Lakes High School should be discussed after the Board took action on the boundary recommendations; concern that there should be a similar review for efficiencies in the legal fees as staff reviewed other programs for efficiencies.

The motion to amend the main motion by reducing the legal fees account for \$0.5 million, and reallocating the \$0.5 million to South Lakes High School for programmatic enhancements including, but not limited to, restoring a full complement of Advanced Placement courses **failed 2-9-1**, with Ms. Hone and Mr. Raney voting "aye," with Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Kory, Mr. Moon, Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voting "nay," and with Mrs. Bradsher abstaining.

The motion to adopt the FY 2009 Advertised Budget, as detailed in the agenda item, and with the following revisions: 1) eliminate student activity and athletic fees, reducing revenue by \$2.7 million; 2) eliminate student test fees for AP/IB/PSAT, reducing revenue by \$2.5 million; 3) restore funding of \$1.0 million for the elementary focus program; 4) restore funding of \$0.4 million to continue the modified calendar program at three schools; 5) restore funding of \$1.8 million for 55 general education instructional assistant positions; 6) restore funding of \$1.7 million for transportation of GT, TJHSST, and administratively-placed students; 7) restore funding of \$0.7 million for the College Partnership Program;

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8) partially restore funding of \$4.7 million for the special education preschool program, reducing the number of instructional assistant positions by one-third while maintaining the current teacher schedule and caseload; 9) restore funding of \$0.1 million to reinstate the following central office cuts—National Board Certified Teachers, ABA Secondary Program, and College Partnership Program; 10) reallocate the \$9.2 million currently budgeted for Teacher Leadership to a central account to fund the redesign of summer school; 11) reduce funding by \$3.4 million from the \$9.2 million budgeted for program redesign, leaving \$5.8 million for redesign of the Excel Program components, Quest, Student Accountability, Summit, and Young Scholars programs; 12) reduce funding for Full Day Kindergarten by \$2.7 million, which will reduce the expansion from 21 schools to 10 schools; 13) reduce funding by \$0.6 million for the FLES program, reducing expansion of new FLES schools from 16 to 8, and continuing the program implementation begun in 2008 at 16 schools; 14) defer completion of the elementary technology specialist model and eliminate \$1.5 million and 16 TSSpec positions; 15) reduce funding for SASI by \$1.0 million; 16) restore \$0.2 million for the Middle School and High School Enhancement Program; and 17) increase the amount of the County transfer request by \$6.6 million for a total increase of \$62.5 million or 3.9 percent, and as amended, by restoring full funding for the pre-school special education program by increasing the transfer request by \$1.2 million; and the Division Superintendent is granted authority to make necessary minor changes to comply with the intent of the School Board and is further directed to prepare fund statements reflecting all School Board approved changes, together with the estimate of funds required by Fairfax County Public Schools during FY 2009 in the format prescribed in Section 22.1-92 of the Code of Virginia, for submission to the County Board of Supervisors; submission of these approved documents to the County Board of Supervisors fulfills the responsibilities of the School Board under Title 22, Chapter 8 (Section 22.1-92) of the Code of Virginia. **passed 10-2** with Mrs. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voting “aye,” and with Mrs. Kory and Mr. Raney voting “nay.”

[Clerk's note: The final approved motion for the FY 2009 advertised budget, incorporating the approved amendment, changed the wording as follows for: 8) restore funding of \$5.9 million for the special education pre-school program; and 17) increase the amount of the County transfer request by \$7.9 million for a total increase of \$63.7 million or 4 percent.]

4.03 Additional Appointments

There were no additional appointments.

4.04 Confirmation of Action Taken in Closed Meeting

Mrs. Wilson moved, and Mrs. Strauss seconded, to deny the guardians' request for a student to remain enrolled in a regular school, and instead to reassign the student to an alternative educational program, on the terms recommended by the

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Division Superintendent. The motion **passed 9-1-1**, with Mrs. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Kory, Mr. Moon, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Wilson voting "aye," and Mr. Raney voting "nay," with Ms. Hone abstaining, and Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner not present for the vote.

Having served on a three-member committee chaired by Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Bradsher moved, and Mr. Center seconded, to expel a student for violation of the conditions of a probationary school assignment. The motion **passed unanimously**.

Having served on a three-member committee chaired by Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Bradsher moved, and Mr. Center seconded, to expel a student for involvement in an altercation and possession of a weapon in the vicinity of a school bus stop, at a time when students were on their way home from school. The motion **passed unanimously**.

Having served on a three-member committee chaired by Mr. Gibson, Mr. Center moved, and Mrs. Bradsher seconded, to expel a student for possession of illegal drugs at school. The motion **passed unanimously**.

Having served on a three-member committee chaired by Mrs. Strauss, Mrs. Wilson moved, and Mrs. Bradsher seconded, to expel a student for participation in gang-related destruction of school property. The motion **passed unanimously**.

Having served on a three-member committee chaired by Mr. Storck, Mr. Center moved, and Mr. Moon seconded, to expel a student for possession of illegal drugs with intent to distribute at school. The motion **passed unanimously**.

Mr. Gibson moved, and Mrs. Wilson seconded, to excuse from attendance at school certain students identified in closed meeting pursuant to Virginia code Section 22.1-254(B)(1). The motion **passed unanimously**, with Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner not present for the vote.

Ms. Hone moved, and Mrs. Strauss seconded, that the employee identified in closed meeting be dismissed, as specified in School Board Regulation 4293.5, Dismissal-Definition of Just Cause. The motion **passed unanimously**, with Mr. Niedzielski-Eichner not present for the vote.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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- 5.01 Minutes** - Approve the minutes of December 10, 2007, Operational Expectations work session and January 24, 2008, regular School Board meeting (SB; Exhibit I)

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Chairman Storck stated that, without objection, the one item on the consent agenda would be adopted. Hearing no objection, the consent agenda **was adopted.**

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

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- 6.01 Award of Contract** - Recommendation to award the contract for the hazardous material removal contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s) and authorize the Division Superintendent, or his designee, to execute the contract on behalf of the School Board (FTS; Exhibit J; action scheduled 2/28/08)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.02 Award of Contract** - Recommendation to award the contract for the renovation of Sleepy Hollow Elementary School to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and authorize the Division Superintendent, or his designee, to execute the contract on behalf of the School Board (FTS; Exhibit K; action scheduled 2/28/08)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.03 Award of Contracts** - Recommendation to award the contracts for the re-roofing projects, phases 1-08 through 4-08, at Falls Church and Langley High Schools and Stenwood and Washington Mill Elementary Schools to the lowest responsive and responsible bidders and authorize the Division Superintendent, or his designee, to execute the contract on behalf of the School Board (FTS; Exhibit L; action scheduled 2/28/08)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.04 Modified School Calendar Waiver** - Recommendation to authorize Annandale Terrace, Dogwood, Franconia, Glen Forest, Graham Road, Parklawn, and Timber Lane Elementary Schools; Glasgow Middle School; and Falls Church and Stuart High Schools to continue a modified school calendar for the 2008-2009 school year, contingent upon approval from the state Board of Education of a waiver to allow a pre-Labor Day opening (IS; Exhibit M; action scheduled 2/28/08)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.05 Charge to Advisory Committee** - Recommendation to approve the following charge to the Career and Technical Advisory Committee for 2007-2008: Consider current and future global trends and implications for High Schools of the Future

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initiatives and related programs within the consortia (SB; Exhibit N; work session held 2/14/08; action scheduled 2/28/08)

There was no discussion of this item

7. **SUPERINTENDENT MATTERS**

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8. **REPORTS AND BOARD MATTERS** (Exhibit O)

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Governance Committee, February 8, 2008 – Review of the annual work calendar and proposed revisions to operational expectation language; review of agenda for March 7-8 retreat

Work Sessions, February 11, 2008:

Operational Expectations – Technology Monitoring Report

Governance – Annual Planning Calendar

Facilities – Proposed 2008-2009 Program/Attendance Area Adjustments

Policy – FERPA Training

Update on Transportation Task Force – Update on the Transportation Task Force (TTF) work and presentation format for the TTF final report to the Board

Budget – FY 2009 Advertised Budget

Forum Work Session, February 14, 2008 – Career & Technical Education Advisory Committee (CTEAC) charge for 2007-2008; School Board response to Enrollment Task Force and Capacity determination report for the School Board; School Board member profiles on the web/Meet your School Board and Back-to-School night messages; P1802 - Student Representative to the School Board; P8310 - Site Planning and Development; P7130 - Vehicle Replacement; School calendar; School Board calendar

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 a.m.

10. **DEBRIEF**

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The Board did not debrief tonight's meeting.