

# MINUTES

## Fairfax County School Board

### Luther Jackson Middle School

Regular Meeting No. 20

May 20, 2010

#### 1. **CLOSED MEETING**

Mr. Gibson moved, and Mrs. Wilson seconded, that the Board go into closed meeting to discuss and consider disciplinary matters concerning students pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(2) of the Code of Virginia. The motion passed 8-0: Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone were not present for the vote.

Chairman Smith convened the closed meeting at 6:06 p.m.

#### 2. **MEETING OPENING**

***[NOTE: EACH AGENDA ITEM IS AVAILABLE ON MP3 AUDIO FILES AT <http://www.boarddocs.com/vsba/Fairfax/Board.nsf/Public?OpenFrameSet>]***

##### 2.01 **Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence/National Anthem – Colin Powell Elementary School String Ensemble**

Chairman Smith convened the meeting at 7:02 p.m. with the following members present:

Elizabeth T. Bradsher (Springfield; arr. 6:45)	James L. Raney (At Large)
Brad Center (Lee; arr. 6:18)	Patricia S. Reed (Providence)
Sandra S. Evans (Mason; arr. 6:20)	Kathy L. Smith (Sully)
Stuart D. Gibson (Hunter Mill)	Daniel G. Storck (Mt. Vernon)
Martina A. Hone (At Large; arr. 6:55)	Jane K. Strauss (Dranesville)
Ilryong Moon (At Large)	Tessie Wilson (Braddock)

Also present were Division Superintendent Jack D. Dale; Deputy Superintendent Richard Moniuszko; Executive Assistant and Clerk of the Board Pamela Goddard; Deputy Executive Assistant and Deputy Clerk of the Board Pat Charbonneau; and certain other members of staff. Student Representative Shawn Ghuman was present.

Chairman Smith thanked the members of the Colin Powell Elementary School String Ensemble under the direction of Kate Belasik for their performance of the national anthem.

##### 2.02 **Certification of Closed Meeting Compliance (Exhibit A)**

Mr. Gibson moved, and Mrs. Wilson seconded, that in order to comply with Section 2.2-3712 (D) of the Code of Virginia, it is necessary for the Board to certify that since the Fairfax County School Board convened a closed meeting on May 20, 2010, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business

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matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered by the Board during the closed meeting. The foregoing also shall be deemed to include the certification of each School Board member who served on a student disciplinary committee that those closed committee meetings are lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Section 2.2-3711(A)(2) of the Code of Virginia, and that only student disciplinary matters were heard, discussed, or considered in those closed committee meetings. The motion **passed 8-0-3**: Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, and Ms. Evans abstained; Ms. Hone was not present for the vote.

### **2.03 Announcements (Exhibit B)**

Mr. Ghuman announced that June was National Safety Month. Mr. Storck noted this was the first night for the School Board meeting to be video streamed as part of a pilot project under a Cox Communications grant, and he thanked Dr. Dale and staff members for their efforts.

### **2.04 Recognition of National Adult and Continuing Education Week (Exhibit C)**

Mr. Raney announced that May 24-28 was National Adult and Continuing Education (ACE) Week, and he invited ACE staff members in the audience to join the Board for photos.

### **2.05 Recognition of Lake Braddock Secondary's Minority Parents for Excellence in Education 25th Anniversary (Exhibit D)**

Mrs. Wilson recognized the Lake Braddock Secondary's Minority Parents for Excellence in Education 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary and invited members of the committee to join the Board for photos and presentation of a certificate.

## **3. PRESENTATIONS TO SCHOOL BOARD**

### **3.01 SAC Presentation - Thinking Outside the Box: Making a Good System Great (Exhibit E)**

The members of the Student Advisory Council (SAC) who were presenting tonight introduced themselves—Arvin Ahmadi (Thomas Jefferson HS for Science and Technology [TJHSST]), James Armstrong III (South Lakes HS), Adil Dittmer (TJHSST), Evelyn Hernandez (Falls Church HS), Victoria Kedzie (TJHSST), Menddy Mercado (Edison HS), Elizabeth Orantes (Oakton), Macaela Seward (Woodson HS), and Vytautas Stzripkauskas (Marshall HS); SAC sponsor Alice Reilly was also recognized. The students reviewed a PowerPoint presentation on "Thinking Outside the Box—Making a Good School System

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Great” which had been the SAC’s project for the 2009-2010 school year, and provided highlights of the SAC’s five areas of recommendations: SAT/ACT prep, health and physical education, flex period, freshman/upper class mentoring, and expanding student involvement in the School Board.

Comments included: appreciation expressed for an excellent report that highlighted the students’ perspective; request that Dr. Dale provide comments on four of the recommendations, excluding the one that was related to expanding student involvement in the School Board; consensus that the Board would have further discussion about the recommendation to expand student involvement, including the SAC’s recommendation to grant the student representative partial voting rights on certain issues; comment that the *Code of Virginia* currently prohibited student representatives from voting; consensus that more students needed to be aware of the opportunities involved in being a member of the SAC or running for student representative.

### **3.02 Citizen Participation (Exhibit F)**

One speaker addressed the Board in the time reserved for public comment. Virginia Fitz Shea addressed Agenda Item No. 6.08 Early Release Days (Revision to 2010-2011 School Calendar).

### **3.03 Student Representative Matters**

The Student Representative presented informational items.

## **4. ACTION ITEMS**

- 4.01 FY 2011 Approved Budget** - Adopt the FY 2011 Approved Budget, to include the Superintendent’s proposed revenue and expenditure adjustments, as detailed in the agenda item, and with the following revisions: (1) directing the Superintendent to begin video streaming on the Fairfax County Public Schools website the School Board meetings that are broadcast on FCPS Red Apple Channel 21 at an estimated cost of \$8,000 beginning as soon as practicable by reallocating funding within the Cox Communications grant, and (2) restoring funding of \$0.2 million for Advanced Academic Center student transportation and reducing the staffing reserve by \$0.2 million. (FS; work sessions held 4/29/10, 5/10/10, and 5/13/10; public hearing held 5/11/10; presented as new business 5/6/10; Exhibit G)

Chairman Smith noted that the Board had been addressing the FY 2011 budget since last fall, and had held a number of work sessions, community dialogue meetings, and public hearings; a number of possible amendments had been discussed, and through the normal review process some Board members had decided not to offer an amendment for a variety of reasons; Mrs. Reed had decided not to offer an amendment on additional staff support in the School

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Board Office to allow time for further analysis and research; Ms. Hone had decided not to offer an amendment on the Support on Suspension (SOS) program because the School Board was not in a position to fund non-School Board activities, and the SOS program was run by Fairfax County Partnership for Youth. Budget Chairman Strauss then recognized Chief Financial Officer Susan Quinn and Budget Services Director Kristen Michael in appreciation for their continued hard work over the past months.

Mrs. Strauss moved, and Mr. Gibson seconded, that the School Board adopt the FY 2011 Approved Budget, to include the Superintendent's proposed revenue and expenditure adjustments, as detailed in the agenda item, and with the following revisions: (1) directing the Superintendent to begin video streaming on the Fairfax County Public Schools website the School Board meetings that are broadcast on FCPS Red Apple Channel 21 at an estimated cost of \$8,000 beginning as soon as practicable by reallocating funding within the Cox Communications grant, and (2) restoring funding of \$0.2 million for Advanced Academic Center student transportation and reducing the staffing reserve by \$0.2 million.

Mrs. Strauss thanked the community for their involvement during this long budget process; over a three-year period the budget included more than \$465 million in cuts and cost avoidances and the elimination of more than 1,400 positions; for FY 2011, more than 3,000 teachers and assistants would experience a pay cut because of contract length reductions, there were no employee salary increases for the second consecutive year, and textbook and supply accounts would be lower than they were in 2007, while student membership was projected to increase 1,700 next year; this budget did not include any class size increases, and the needs-based staffing formula would ensure that resources followed those students who needed extra help; future challenges included the Virginia Retirement System funding commitments and \$33.6 million in federal stimulus funding that would disappear after 2011.

Mr. Raney moved, and Mrs. Reed seconded, to amend the main motion by postponing implementation of the Superintendent's Priority Schools Initiative until FY 2012, and by reallocating the \$4.3 million proposed for this program in FY 2011 to the Board's Virginia Retirement System (VRS) Reserve; if this Reserve is not needed for state-mandated payments of deferred contributions and applicable interest to the Virginia Retirement System, it is the intent of the Board to use this Reserve for other purposes of employee compensation.

Comments included: concerns expressed about implementing the new Priority Schools Initiative (PSI) at a time when there were so many future funding challenges facing the Board and the community; request for an explanation of the PSI implementation plan; response that PSI would focus on 30 schools that had been identified based on performance; those principals would go through leadership assessment and training with staff members from the University of

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Virginia's Curry School of Education and Darden School of Business School Turnaround Specialist Program, and work with the school staff and community to develop the School Improvement Plan; how the resources were allocated for each school was dependent on how much funding the Board allocated to PSI; concern that it was important to have a baseline from which to move forward, and there was an amendment that would be proposed later that would suggest a two-year pilot with "appropriate monitoring protocols" to evaluate PSI; the initial investment in PSI would follow the Board's direction in February 2010 for the Superintendent to begin implementation of the School Support Composite Index (SSCI), which allocated resources to those schools with the greatest performance issues.

The motion to amend the main motion by postponing implementation of the Superintendent's Priority Schools Initiative until FY 2012, and by reallocating the \$4.3 million proposed for this program in FY 2011 to the Board's Virginia Retirement System (VRS) Reserve; if this Reserve is not needed for state-mandated payments of deferred contributions and applicable interest to the Virginia Retirement System, it is the intent of the Board to use this Reserve for other purposes of employee compensation failed 3-9: Ms. Evans, Mr. Raney, and Mrs. Reed voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

Mr. Storck moved, and Ms. Hone seconded, to amend the main motion by reducing funding for the Priority Schools Initiative (PSI) by \$1.3 million, for FY 2011 only, to restore local funding to assist the Title I schools and communities with the transition from the Extended Learning Program and by requesting that the Board of Supervisors provide one-time funding in the amount of \$1.3 million to replenish the PSI funds to support this transition; the remaining \$3 million in PSI funds would be maintained for the PSI initiative; transition activities funded may include an extended Monday student schedule or other School Improvement Plan activities as developed by the principal and other school staff in conjunction with each school community, provided, however, that if Hollin Meadows Elementary School elects to continue its extended Monday student schedule, then the Hollin Meadows Elementary School counselor who is the spouse of School Board Member Dan Storck shall be ineligible to receive the staff salary supplement associated with such schedule.

Mr. Storck commented that his wife had been employed by Fairfax County Public Schools long before he was an elected School Board member, and that he had included additional language in the amendment to ensure full disclosure of that issue.

Comments included: since this would be the last year for Project Excel, this amendment would give those specific schools an opportunity to transition to the new PSI; the amendment also included a request that the Board of Supervisors (BOS) provide one-time funding of \$1.3 million to replenish the PSI funds to

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support the transition, in response to the BOS motion that had been included in their FY 2011 approved budget so that the total \$4.3 million would be available to 30 schools for PSI; concern expressed about the inequity in selecting only certain schools for this funding and giving some employees an opportunity for a 7% increase in their salary, while other employees would experience significant decreases in salary; \$1.3 million had originally supported the former Extended Learning Program (ELP) schools, and in February the Board had allocated \$1.3 million to develop the SSCI; question whether former ELP schools would be precluded from also using PSI funds; response that the intent of the amendment was not to permit a school to “double dip”, but because some schools were on both lists, that determination would have to be made by staff; this amendment would not guarantee extended Mondays for those schools, but each individual principal and community would decide how best to use the resources.

The motion to amend the main motion by reducing funding for the Priority Schools Initiative (PSI) by \$1.3 million, for FY 2011 only, to restore local funding to assist the Title I schools and communities with the transition from the Extended Learning Program and by requesting that the Board of Supervisors provide one-time funding in the amount of \$1.3 million to replenish the PSI funds to support this transition; the remaining \$3 million in PSI funds would be maintained for the PSI initiative; transition activities funded may include an extended Monday student schedule or other School Improvement Plan activities as developed by the principal and other school staff in conjunction with each school community, provided, however, that if Hollin Meadows Elementary School elects to continue its extended Monday student schedule, then the Hollin Meadows Elementary School counselor who is the spouse of School Board Member Dan Storck shall be ineligible to receive the staff salary supplement associated with such schedule, **passed 8-3-1**: Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted “aye”; Mr. Gibson, Mr. Raney, and Mrs. Smith voted “nay”; Mrs. Reed abstained.

Ms. Hone moved, and Mr. Center seconded, to amend the main motion by designating the Priority Schools Initiative as a two-year pilot and by directing the Governance Committee to work with the Superintendent and staff to develop and recommend appropriate monitoring protocols so that the School Board can adequately assess the efficacy of the new Priority Schools Initiative during the pilot period.

Mrs. Wilson moved, and Mr. Gibson seconded, to amend the amendment by striking the word “two” and inserting the word “three” (*referring to the length of the pilot*).

Discussion included: the UVA program was a two-year program and used a three-year average for the class, so the amendment would be consistent with the program; the selected schools had been told the PSI was a three-year commitment for planning purposes; a two-year pilot would only include one

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year's data when a funding decision would have to be made, which could be insufficient.

The motion to amend the amendment by striking the word "two" and inserting the word "three" **passed 7-5:** Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, and Mr. Storck voted "nay."

The motion to amend the main motion, as amended, by designating the Priority Schools Initiative as a three-year pilot and by directing the Governance Committee to work with the Superintendent and staff to develop and recommend appropriate monitoring protocols so that the School Board can adequately assess the efficacy of the new Priority Schools Initiative during the pilot period **passed unanimously.**

Mr. Storck moved, and Ms. Hone seconded, to amend the main motion by reducing funding from the Board's VRS Reserve by \$1.5 million, for FY 2011 only, to assist the following schools and communities: former modified calendar schools, former focus schools, and the following three schools--Fort Belvoir, Halley, and London Towne Elementary Schools--and by requesting that the Board of Supervisors provide one-time funding of \$1.5 million to replenish the Board's VRS Reserve to support this transition; transition activities funded may include other School Improvement Plan activities as developed in conjunction with each school community.

Discussion included: this amendment would provide transition funding to those schools not covered by the previous amendment, such as modified calendar or focus schools; concerns expressed about decreasing the Board's VRS reserve.

The motion to amend the main motion by reducing funding from the Board's VRS Reserve by \$1.5 million, for FY 2011 only, to assist the following schools and communities: former modified calendar schools, former focus schools, and the following three schools--Fort Belvoir, Halley, and London Towne Elementary Schools--and by requesting that the Board of Supervisors provide one time funding of \$1.5 million to replenish the Board's VRS Reserve to support this transition; transition activities funded may include other School Improvement Plan activities as developed in conjunction with each school community **failed 3-9:** Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, and Mr. Storck voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

Ms. Hone moved, and Ms. Evans seconded, to amend the main motion by reducing the staffing reserve by 4.5 teacher positions totaling \$0.3 million and by providing funding of \$0.3 million to offer a Young Scholars summer enrichment program.

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Comments included: summer school had been eliminated for the majority of students this year and the Young Scholars Program was instrumental in identifying some of the neediest younger students as gifted; a summer program in 30 schools could possibly impact several hundred students; concern about diminishing the staffing reserve, which was used to assist with large class sizes and unanticipated increases in student membership, and the reminder that two years ago the staffing reserve had been depleted by November.

The motion to amend the main motion by reducing the staffing reserve by 4.5 teacher positions totaling \$0.3 million and by providing funding of \$0.3 million to offer a Young Scholars summer enrichment program failed 4-8: Mr. Center, Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, and Mr. Storck voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

Ms. Hone announced that although she would not making an amendment regarding Pine Spring ES because the staffing concern had been covered by Mr. Storck's previously approved amendment, she did ask Dr. Dale for confirmation that Pine Spring would be able to utilize the funding as it had in the past, and Dr. Dale concurred.

Ms. Evans moved, and Mrs. Reed seconded, to amend the main motion by eliminating the \$75 Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate test fees and by increasing the FY 2011 budgeted beginning balance by \$2.0 million pending the appropriation of available funding from the FY 2010 Year-End Budget Review.

Discussion included: professional educators believed that the school system's paying for the test fees contributed to the success of the program; concern that these fees would burden families who already were struggling; last year the Board had decided not to impose fees because the topic had been introduced too late in the budget process, but it was clear that the community wanted to preserve programs; concern about using the year-end balance to support this amendment, as those funds were normally pushed toward the beginning balance in a subsequent fiscal year, such as the \$24 million FY 2009 year-end balance that had been added to the FY 2011 beginning balance.

The motion to amend the main motion by eliminating the \$75 Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate test fees and by increasing the FY 2011 budgeted beginning balance by \$2.0 million pending the appropriation of available funding from the FY 2010 Year-End Budget Review failed 3-9: Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, and Mrs. Reed voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Strauss, Mr. Storck, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

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Ms. Evans moved, and Mrs. Reed seconded, to amend the main motion by limiting the Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate test fees to one test per student each year and by increasing the FY 2011 budgeted beginning balance by \$1.0 million pending the appropriation of available funding from the FY 2010 Year-End Budget Review.

Comment that this amendment was an attempt to limit the impact of the test fees on any one family.

The motion to amend the main motion by limiting the Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate test fees to one test per student each year and by increasing the FY 2011 budgeted beginning balance by \$1.0 million pending the appropriation of available funding from the FY 2010 Year-End Budget Review **failed 4-8**: Mr. Center, Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, and Mrs. Reed voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

Ms. Hone moved, and Ms. Evans seconded, to amend the main motion by eliminating the International Baccalaureate test fees and by increasing the FY 2011 budgeted beginning balance by \$0.3 million pending the appropriation of available funding from the FY 2010 Year-End Budget Review.

Comment that it was important to eliminate the test fees so that students had an opportunity to earn the IB diploma.

The motion to amend the main motion by eliminating the International Baccalaureate test fees and by increasing the FY 2011 budgeted beginning balance by \$0.3 million pending the appropriation of available funding from the FY 2010 Year-End Budget Review **failed 3-9**: Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, and Mrs. Reed voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

Ms. Evans moved, and Ms. Hone seconded, to amend the main motion by eliminating the \$100 athletic fee and by increasing the FY 2011 budgeted beginning balance by \$1.8 million pending the appropriation of available funding from the FY 2010 Year-End Budget Review.

Concerns expressed about the impact these athletic fees would have on participation, and it would be useful to evaluate the results at some point.

The motion to amend the main motion by eliminating the \$100 athletic fee and by increasing the FY 2011 budgeted beginning balance by \$1.8 million pending the appropriation of available funding from the FY 2010 Year-End Budget Review **failed 3-9**: Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, and Mrs. Reed voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

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Ms. Evans moved, and Mrs. Reed seconded, to amend the main motion by limiting the \$100 athletic fee to the first sport per student each year and by increasing the FY 2011 budgeted beginning balance by \$0.7 million pending the appropriation of available funding from the FY 2010 Year-End Budget Review. The motion **failed 4-8**: Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, Mrs. Reed, and Mr. Storck voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

Mr. Raney moved, and Mrs. Reed seconded, to amend the main motion by increasing the student parking fee from \$200 to \$250, maintaining the sliding scale based on a student's eligibility for free and reduced-price meals, and by allocating the projected increased revenue of \$0.2 million to the staffing reserve to fund an increase of 3.3 teacher positions. The motion **failed 2-10**: Ms. Hone and Mr. Raney voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Ms. Evans, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

Mr. Moon moved, and Ms. Bradsher seconded, to amend the main motion by reducing the Board's VRS Reserve by \$3.0 million and by setting aside \$3.0 million for employee compensation enhancements for FY 2012.

Comments included: this was a positive step toward demonstrating the Board's commitment to address the employee compensation issues; concern about decreasing the Board's VRS Reserve; request for an explanation of how the VRS reserve had been developed; the response that the Reserve was initially projected to be \$61 million prior to the 1% decrease in the BOS transfer, which reduced the funding available for the VRS Reserve to \$45 million; since February an additional \$10 million had been realized through reductions to other state required benefits expenditure adjustments, from which the Superintendent had subsequently directed an additional \$3 million to the Reserve, for a current total of \$48 million.

The motion to amend the main motion by reducing the Board's VRS Reserve by \$3.0 million and by setting aside \$3.0 million for employee compensation enhancements for FY 2012 **passed 8-4**: Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Ms. Evans, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Raney, and Mrs. Reed voted "nay."

Discussion on the main motion, as amended, included: concerns expressed about this budget and future budgets because of the financial situation around the state and the country; the Board had made a commitment a few years ago to have full-day kindergarten in every school, and that had not yet been accomplished; it was important that everyone move forward together to ensure that every child succeeded.

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The motion that the School Board adopt the FY 2011 Approved Budget, to include the Superintendent's proposed revenue and expenditure adjustments, as detailed in the agenda item, and with the following revisions: (1) directing the Superintendent to begin video streaming on the Fairfax County Public Schools website the School Board meetings that are broadcast on FCPS Red Apple Channel 21 at an estimated cost of \$8,000 beginning as soon as practicable by reallocating funding within the Cox Communications grant; (2) restoring funding of \$0.2 million for Advanced Academic Center student transportation and reducing the staffing reserve by \$0.2 million; (3) reducing funding for the Priority Schools Initiative (PSI) by \$1.3 million, for FY 2011 only, to restore local funding to assist the Title I schools and communities with the transition from the Extended Learning Program and by requesting that the Board of Supervisors provide one-time funding in the amount of \$1.3 million to replenish the PSI funds to support this transition, the remaining \$3 million in PSI funds would be maintained for the PSI initiative, and transition activities funded may include an extended Monday student schedule or other School Improvement Plan activities as developed by the principal and other school staff in conjunction with each school community, provided, however, that if Hollin Meadows Elementary School elects to continue its extended Monday student schedule, then the Hollin Meadows Elementary School counselor who is the spouse of School Board Member Dan Storck shall be ineligible to receive the staff salary supplement associated with such schedule; (4) designating the Priority Schools Initiative as a three-year pilot and by directing the Governance Committee to work with the Superintendent and staff to develop and recommend appropriate monitoring protocols so that the School Board can adequately assess the efficacy of the new Priority Schools Initiative during the pilot period; and (5) reducing the Board's VRS Reserve by \$3.0 million and by setting aside \$3.0 million for employee compensation enhancements for FY 2012 **passed 10-2**: Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Ms. Evans, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Strauss, Mr. Storck, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Mr. Raney and Mrs. Reed voted "nay."

Chairman Smith announced that there two follow-on motions.

Mr. Storck moved, and Mrs. Strauss seconded, to direct the Superintendent to develop an FY 2012 Proposed Budget that includes employee compensation increases for FCPS staff; the School Board, by this motion, commits itself to staff compensation increases in FY 2012.

Comments included: it was important to retain the quality of the educational workforce, and it would be irresponsible to not offer any salary increases for a third consecutive year; concerns about the ability to make a commitment at this stage without knowing what the future held, and without any ability for the Board to raise funds.

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Mrs. Wilson moved, and Mr. Center seconded, to postpone consideration of the motion until the September 2, 2010, Board meeting.

Comments included: by waiting until September, the FY 2010 year-end balance would have been identified; concern that it was important to make this commitment tonight.

The motion to postpone consideration of the motion until the September 2, 2010, Board meeting **failed 6-6**: Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Reed, Mr. Storck, and Mrs. Strauss voted "nay."

The motion to direct the Superintendent to develop an FY 2012 Proposed Budget that includes employee compensation increases for FCPS staff; the School Board, by this motion, commits itself to staff compensation increases in FY 2012 **passed 9-3**: Ms. Bradsher, Ms. Evans, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, and Mrs. Strauss voted "aye"; Mr. Center, Mr. Raney, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

Mr. Gibson moved, and Mr. Raney seconded, that the Fairfax County School Board provide no financial or logistical support for joint "community dialogues" (or similar community engagement activities), with the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, in connection with development of the FY 2012 budget.

Discussion included: the School Board and the Board of Supervisors had conducted joint community budget dialogues for the past two years, and these had been supported by FCPS staff members; there had been many central office positions eliminated in this budget, and it would be difficult to continue to support these meetings; concerns that it was important to work together and explain the needs of the children and the school system to the community.

The motion that the Fairfax County School Board provide no financial or logistical support for joint "community dialogues" (or similar community engagement activities), with the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, in connection with development of the FY 2012 budget **failed 2-10**: Mr. Gibson and Mr. Raney voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Ms. Evans, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "nay."

Chairman Smith requested that Dr. Dale provide information to the Board at the July 2010 work session on the staff and facilities costs associated with completing the Board's plan to provide full-day kindergarten at all schools.

Mrs. Strauss moved, and Mrs. Wilson seconded, that the Division Superintendent be authorized to take whatever actions are necessary to implement the decisions made by the School Board relative to its FY 2011 Approved Budget; and that all policies and regulations inconsistent with the budgetary motions passed tonight

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are hereby modified and amended accordingly; and the Division Superintendent is to be granted authority to make all necessary minor changes and technical modifications to the budget and to salary scales to comply with the intent of the School Board with regard to its budget actions. The motion **passed unanimously.**

- 4.02 Facilities Planning Advisory Council (FPAC)** - Approve the establishment of a Facilities Planning Advisory Council, as proposed by the Comprehensive Planning Development Committee and as detailed in the agenda item (FTS; work sessions held 4/5/10 and 4/29/10, presented as new business 5/6/10; Exhibit H)

Mrs. Bradsher moved, Mrs. Wilson seconded, to approve the establishment of a Facilities Planning Advisory Council, as proposed by the Comprehensive Planning Development Committee and as detailed in the agenda item. The motion **passed unanimously.**

- 4.03 Confirmation of Action Taken in Closed Meeting**

Mrs. Wilson moved, Mrs. Strauss seconded, to expel a student for numerous acts of misconduct at school, including sexual assault of another student. The motion **passed 8-0-4:** Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Ms. Evans, and Ms. Hone abstained.

Mrs. Strauss moved, Mr. Storck seconded, to expel a student for distribution of illegal drugs at school and theft of another student's property. The motion **passed 8-0-2:** Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Mr. Center and Ms. Evans abstained; Ms. Bradsher and Ms. Hone were not present for the vote.

Mr. Gibson moved, and Mrs. Wilson seconded, to deny the school assignment appeal of a student who violated school rules, and to confirm the disciplinary decision of the division superintendent. The motion **passed 8-0-2:** Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Mr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Mr. Center and Ms. Evans abstained; Ms. Bradsher and Ms. Hone were not present for the vote.

Having served as chairman of the three-member committee, along with Mr. Moon and Ms. Evans, Mr. Center moved, and Mr. Moon seconded, to expel a student for conviction of a crime in the community. The motion **passed unanimously.**

Having served as chairman of the three-member committee, along with Mrs. Strauss and Mrs. Smith, Ms. Bradsher moved, and Mrs. Strauss seconded, to expel three students—two for possession and distribution of illegal drugs at school and one for possession of a weapon and a controlled substance at school. The motion **passed unanimously.**

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Having served as chairman of the three-member committee, along with Mrs. Reed and Mr. Storck, Mrs. Wilson moved, and Mrs. Reed seconded, to expel two students—one for participation in a gang-related mob assault at school and one for possession with intent to distribute illegal drugs at school. The motion **passed unanimously.**

Mrs. Wilson moved, and Mr. Raney seconded, that the Board go into closed meeting on May 25, 2010, at approximately 6 p.m. at the Gatehouse Administration Center to discuss and consider the performance of a specific public officer pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the *Code of Virginia*. The motion **passed unanimously.**

### 5. CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.01 **Minutes** – Approve the minutes of May 6, 2010, regular School Board meeting (SB; Exhibit I)
- 5.02 **Monthly Separation Report** - Confirm the separations for the period beginning April 1, 2010, and ending April 30, 2010, as detailed in the agenda item (HR; Exhibit J)
- 5.03 **CTEMS Annual Plan** - Approve the CTEMS Annual Plan and the 2009-2010 Application for Career and Technical Education Funds as detailed in the agenda item (IS; presented as new business 5/6/10; Exhibit K)
- 5.04 **Special Education Annual Plan** - Approve the 2010-2011 Annual Special Education plan, Section 611, Part B funding application and Section 619, Part B Preschool Grant Application as detailed in the agenda item (SS; presented as new business 5/6/10; Exhibit L)
- 5.05 **Award of Contract** - Award the contract for the renovation of the culinary kitchen and classroom at Chantilly High School to Henley Construction Co. Inc., in the amount of \$533,000, and authorize the Division Superintendent, or his designee, to execute the contract on behalf of the School Board (FTS; presented as new business 5/6/10; Exhibit M)
- 5.06 **Award of Contract** - Award the contract for the automatic temperature control system replacement at Oakton High School to Boland Trane Services, Inc., in the amount of \$990,360, and authorize the Division Superintendent, or his designee, to execute the contract on behalf of the School Board (FTS; presented as new business 5/6/10; Exhibit N)
- 5.07 **Award of Contract** - Authorize staff to negotiate a contract for the sports field lighting replacement project at Herndon High School with the top-ranked offeror and authorize the Division Superintendent, or his designee, to execute the contract on behalf of the School Board (FTS; presented as new business 5/6/10; Exhibit O)

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Chairman Smith stated that, without objection, the seven items on the consent agenda would be adopted. Hearing no objection, the consent agenda **was adopted.**

### 6. NEW BUSINESS

- 6.01 Award of Contract** - Recommendation to award the contract for the automatic temperature control system replacement at Waples Mill 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; action scheduled 6/10/10; Exhibit P)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.02 Award of Contract** - Recommendation to award the contract for the automatic temperature control system replacement at Aldrin 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; action scheduled 6/10/10; Exhibit Q)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.03 Award of Contract** - Recommendation to award the contract for Compactor Refuse Disposal for Fairfax County Public Schools 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; action scheduled 6/10/10; Exhibit R)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.04 Award of Contract** - Recommendation to award the contract for the installation of synthetic turf fields at Herndon High School to the firm providing the most favorable pricing and authorize the Division Superintendent or his designee to execute the contract on behalf of the School Board; further move that the School Board enter into an Agreement with the Contributing Parties memorializing the rights and responsibilities of the parties to the Agreement and authorize the Division Superintendent or his designee to execute the Agreement on behalf of the School Board (FTS; action scheduled 6/10/10; Exhibit S)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.05 Award of Contract** - Recommendation to award the contract for the installation of synthetic turf fields at Westfield High School to the firm providing the most favorable pricing and authorize the Division Superintendent or his designee to execute the contract on behalf of the School Board; further move that the School Board enter into an Agreement with the Contributing Parties memorializing the

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rights and responsibilities of the parties to the Agreement and authorize the Division Superintendent or his designee to execute the Agreement on behalf of the School Board (FTS; action scheduled 6/10/10; Exhibit T)

Chairman Smith noted that staff had recommended that this agenda item be removed because it was no longer necessary; the Board had previously awarded the contract for this project on December 17, 2009, but the project had not been initiated because of the severe winter weather; staff had re-bid the project to confirm that the best price would be obtained, and the low bid was again submitted by the vendor that had received the original contract award in December.

- 6.06 Award of Contract** - Recommendation to award the contract for the automatic temperature control system replacements at Armstrong and Bonnie Brae 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; action scheduled 6/10/10; Exhibit U)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.07 Waiver of Verified Credits (SOL)** - Recommendation to approve requests for waiver of verified credit requirements for two students identified to School Board members (IS; action scheduled 6/10/10; Exhibit V)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.08 Early Release Days (Revision to 2010-2011 School Calendar)** - Recommendation to approve two early release days for all students and for FCPS employees, where program operations permit, on December 22, 2010, and May 27, 2011 (SB; action scheduled 6/10/10; Exhibit W)

There was no discussion of this item.

### 7. **SUPERINTENDENT MATTERS**

There were no Superintendent matters.

#### **REPORTS** (Exhibit X)

*[Clerk's note: Because of the lateness of the hour, no reports were given.]*

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**Comprehensive Planning Development Committee** - Elizabeth Bradsher, Chairman

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**Operational Expectations**

**Governance** - Brad Center, Chairman

**Budget** - Jane Strauss, Chairman

**Facilities**

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**Budget** - Jane Strauss, Chairman

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**Governance** - Brad Center, Chairman

**9. BOARD MATTERS**

There were no Board matters presented.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:04 a.m.

**11. DEBRIEF**

The Board debriefed tonight's meeting.