

MINUTES

Fairfax County School Board

Luther Jackson Middle School

Regular Meeting No. 3

September 2, 2010

1. **CLOSED MEETING**

Mr. Gibson moved, and Mr. Center seconded, that the Board go into closed meeting to (1) discuss and consider disciplinary matters concerning students pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(2) of the Code of Virginia; (2) protect the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(4) of the Code of Virginia; and (3) discuss and consider the employment and performance of a specific public employee, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. The motion passed 11-0: Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Ms. Evans, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Dr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Mr. Storck was not present for the vote.

Chairman Smith convened the closed meeting at 6:04 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 – Spring Hill Elementary School Chamber Orchestra

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

Elizabeth T. Bradsher (Springfield)	James L. Raney (At Large)
Brad Center (Lee)	Patricia S. Reed (Providence)
Sandra S. Evans (Mason)	Kathy L. Smith (Sully)
Stuart D. Gibson (Hunter Mill)	Daniel G. Storck (Mt. Vernon; arr. 6:05)
Martina A. Hone (At Large)	Jane K. Strauss (Dranesville)
Ilryong Moon (At Large)	Tessie Wilson (Braddock)

Also present were 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 Keegan Cotton was not present.

Chairman Smith thanked the members of the Spring Hill Elementary School Chamber Orchestra under the direction of Ruth Donahue for their performance of the national anthem.

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2.02 Certification of Closed Meeting Compliance (Exhibit A)

Mrs. Wilson moved, and Mr. Gibson 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 September 2, 2010, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business 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 unanimously.**

2.03 Announcements (Exhibit B)

Chairman Smith announced that Dr. Dale and Student Representative Keegan Cotton would not be attending the meeting. She also announced the rescheduled vote on two items that had been presented for new business on July 22, 2010: the sale of school bonds, to a future meeting later in the year, and the 2010-2011 Community Outreach and Communications Plan to the September 23, 2010, regular meeting.

Dr. Raney announced that September 17 was U.S. Constitution Day and Citizenship Day; National Hispanic Heritage Month was September 15 to October 15, 2010.

3. PRESENTATIONS TO SCHOOL BOARD

3.01 Spotlight on Learning – Best Practices Video on Guided Reading: Upper Elementary (Exhibit C)

3.02 Citizen Participation (Exhibit D)

One speaker addressed the Board in the time reserved for public comment. Mr. Kim Holien addressed the 150th Anniversary of Lincoln's Grand Review.

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3.03 Student Representative Matters

There were no Student Representative matters presented to the Board.

4. ACTION ITEMS

- 4.01 Student Achievement Goal 2. Essential Life Skills** - Accept the Student Achievement Goal 2. Essential Life Skills Monitoring Report, as detailed in the agenda item (SS; presented as new business 7/22/10; Exhibit E)

Mr. Center moved, and Ms. Hone seconded, to accept the Student Achievement Goal 2. Essential Life Skills Monitoring Report, as detailed in the agenda item.

The Department of Special Services was commended for the progress made on Goal 2.

The motion that the School Board accept the Student Achievement Goal 2. Essential Life Skills Monitoring Report, as detailed in the agenda item, **passed unanimously.**

- 4.02 2010-2011 Community Engagement and Communications Plan** – Approve the 2010-2011 Community Engagement and Communications Plan (SB; presented as new business 7/22/10; work session held 8/19/10; Exhibit F)

[Clerk's Note: Action on this agenda item was rescheduled to the September 23, 2010, regular meeting.]

- 4.03 Confirmation of Action Taken in Closed Meeting**

Mrs. Strauss moved, and Mrs. Wilson seconded, to expel a student for threatening a fellow student at school. The motion **passed unanimously.**

Mr. Center moved, and Mr. Storck seconded, to expel a student for assaulting a fellow student at school. The motion **passed unanimously.**

Mrs. Reed moved, and Ms. Bradsher seconded, to expel a student for assaulting a fellow student with a weapon at school. The motion **passed unanimously.**

Dr. Raney moved, and Mrs. Wilson seconded, to expel a student for firing a BB gun toward a school bus, injuring a student and damaging school property. The motion **passed unanimously.**

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Mrs. Wilson moved, and Ms. Bradsher seconded, to expel a student for violating the probationary conditions of a school assignment. The motion **passed 11-0-1**: Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Ms. Evans, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Moon, Dr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Ms. Hone abstained.

Ms. Evans moved, and Ms. Hone seconded, to expel a student for violating the probationary conditions of a school assignment. The motion **passed unanimously**.

Mr. Gibson moved, and Mrs. Strauss seconded, to expel a student for possessing and distributing illegal drugs at school and possessing a weapon at school. The motion **passed unanimously**.

Having served as chairman of a three-member hearing committee, along with Mr. Moon and Mrs. Reed, Mr. Center moved, and Mr. Moon seconded, to expel three students—two for possessing and distributing illegal drugs at school; and one for discharging a firearm at an occupied school bus that was transporting a student. The motion **passed unanimously**.

Having served as chairman of a three-member hearing committee, along with Mr. Gibson and Mrs. Wilson, Ms. Hone moved, and Mrs. Wilson seconded, to expel three students—one for improperly touching students at school; one for possessing and distributing illegal drugs at school; and one for violating the probationary conditions of a school assignment. The motion **passed unanimously**.

Having served as chairman of a three-member hearing committee, along with Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Wilson, Ms. Bradsher moved, and Mrs. Smith seconded, to expel two students—one for possessing illegal drugs at school and one for violating the probationary conditions of a school assignment. The motion **passed unanimously**.

Having served as chairman of a three-member hearing committee, along with Mrs. Smith and Mr. Storck, Mrs. Reed moved, and Mrs. Smith seconded, to expel three students—one for possessing illegal drugs at school; one for sexual assault of a fellow student on school property; and one for facilitating distribution of illegal drugs at school. The motion **passed unanimously**.

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Having served as chairman of a three-member hearing committee, along with Mr. Center and Ms. Evans, Mr. Moon moved, and Ms. Evans seconded, to expel a student for sexual harassment of a fellow student at school. The motion **passed unanimously.**

Having served as chairman of a three-member hearing committee, along with Mr. Gibson and Mr. Moon, Dr. Raney moved, and Mr. Moon seconded, to expel two students—one for possessing and distributing illegal drugs at school and one for possessing and distributing controlled substances and other prohibited items at school. The motion **passed unanimously.**

Having served as chairman of a three-member hearing committee, along with Ms. Evans and Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Wilson moved, and Mrs. Reed seconded, to expel a student for possessing and distributing illegal drugs at school. The motion **passed unanimously.**

Mr. Center moved, and Mr. Gibson seconded, to excuse from attendance at school certain students identified in closed meeting pursuant to Section 22.1-254(B)(1) of the *Code of Virginia*. The motion **passed unanimously.**

Mrs. Strauss moved, and Ms. Evans seconded, that the teacher identified in closed meeting be dismissed from employment. The motion **passed unanimously.**

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.01 Minutes** – Approve the minutes of July 19, 2010, Operational Expectations work session and the July 22, 2010, regular School Board meeting (SB; Exhibit G)
- 5.02 Family Life Education Curriculum Advisory Committee Appointments** - Appoint members to the Family Life Education Curriculum Advisory Committee, as detailed in the agenda item (IS; presented as new business 7/22/10; Exhibit H)
- 5.03 Policy 2670, Programs for Students with Disabilities** - Adopt Policy 2670.2, Programs for Students With Disabilities, as detailed in the agenda item (SS; presented as new business 7/22/10; Exhibit I)
- 5.04 Policy 1710.12, Citizen Advisory Committees to the School Board** - Adopt Policy 1710.12, Citizen Advisory Committees to the School Board, as detailed in the agenda item (SB; presented as new business 7/22/10; Exhibit J)
- 5.05 Additional Appointments** - Appoint individuals to serve on committees as detailed in the agenda item (SB; Exhibit K)

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

6. NEW BUSINESS

- 6.01 Southwestern Boundary Study** - Recommendation to accept the scope, objectives, and parameters for the Southwestern Boundary Study, as detailed in the agenda item (FTS; work session scheduled 9/13/10, action scheduled 9/23/10; Exhibit L)

Chief Operating Officer Dean Tistadt presented a PowerPoint highlighting the capacity issues at a number of elementary schools in the southwestern portion of the county and the recommended scope of the boundary study. He complimented the Southwestern Regional Planning Study Committee, an ad hoc citizen planning committee that pioneered a new approach to addressing school enrollment and capacity issues and provided for greater public engagement. A work session had been scheduled for September 13, 2010, for Board discussion on this topic.

A request was made that information with the study objectives and parameters and the rationale or basis for each be provided for the September 13, 2010, work session.

- 6.02 Linkage Committee Name Change** - Recommendation to approve the Linkage Committee name change to Public Engagement Committee (SB; action scheduled 9/23/10; Exhibit M)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.03 Facilities Planning Advisory Council** – Recommendation to appoint individuals to the Facilities Planning Advisory Council, as detailed in the agenda item (Exhibit N).

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.04 Policy 1801.6** - Recommendation to adopt Policy 1801.6, Conflict of Interest and Statement of Economic Interest—School Board Members and Superintendent of Schools (SB; action scheduled 9/23/10; Exhibit O)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.05 Challenged Materials Interdepartmental Review Committee** - Recommendation to appoint individuals to serve a one-year term on the Challenged Materials Interdepartmental Review Committee, as detailed in the agenda item (IS; action scheduled 9/23/10; Exhibit P)

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There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.06 Award of Contract** - Recommendation to award a contract for the renovation of Graham Road Elementary School at Devonshire Center 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 9/23/10; Exhibit Q)

There was no discussion of this item.

7. SUPERINTENDENT MATTERS

The Superintendent presented informational items.

8. REPORTS (Exhibit R)

August 10, 2010

Comprehensive Planning Development Committee - Elizabeth Bradsher, Chairman

August 19, 2010

Linkage - Daniel Storck, Chairman

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9. BOARD MATTERS

The Board Members made brief comments.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

11. DEBRIEF

The Board debriefed tonight's meeting.