

## MINUTES

### Fairfax County School Board

### Luther Jackson Middle School

Regular Meeting No. 7

November 4, 2010

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

Ms. Hone moved, and Dr. Raney seconded, that the Board go into closed meeting to (1) to discuss and consider disciplinary matters concerning students pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(2) of the Code of Virginia, and (2) to consult with legal counsel regarding the Virginia Freedom of Information Act pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(7) of the Code of Virginia. The motion **passed 11-0**: Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Dr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Ms. Evans was absent.

Chairman Smith convened the closed meeting at 6:25 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 – Camelot Elementary School Third Grade Chorus**

Chairman Smith convened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. with the following members present:

Elizabeth T. Bradsher (Springfield)  
Brad Center (Lee)  
Sandra S. Evans (Mason; ABSENT)  
Stuart D. Gibson (Hunter Mill)  
Martina A. Hone (At Large)  
Ilryong Moon (At Large)

James L. Raney (At Large)  
Patricia S. Reed (Providence)  
Kathy L. Smith (Sully)  
Daniel G. Storck (Mt. Vernon)  
Jane K. Strauss (Dranesville)  
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 Keegan Cotton was present.

Chairman Smith thanked the members of the Camelot Elementary School Third Grade Chorus under the direction of Caroline Crocker for their performance of the national anthem.

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

Mr. Center moved, and Mrs. Strauss 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 November 4, 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 11-0**: Ms. Bradsher, Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Dr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Ms. Evans was absent.

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

Chairman Smith announced that Ms. Evans was absent due to illness. Mr. Cotton recognized Veterans Day as November 11, 2010, and November as National Adoption Awareness Month.

### **2.04 Recognition of School Psychology Awareness Week (Exhibit C)**

Mr. Gibson recognized the week of November 8 – 12, 2010, as School Psychology Awareness Week and invited the school counselors present to join the Board for photographs.

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

### **3.01 Student Achievement Goals 1.1.4. Social Studies and 1.4. Understand the interrelationship and interdependence of the countries and cultures of the world (Exhibit D)**

Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Peter Noonan, along with Social Studies Coordinator Alice Reilly, reviewed a PowerPoint presentation and a video that highlighted a grade 5 global awareness project from Lorton Station Elementary School, as evidence of the progress being made toward this goal; the percentage of grade 6 students with pass proficient or pass advanced in US History increased across all sub-groups, as well as the percentage of grade 12 students earning pass proficient or pass advanced in US History and World History; the grade 5 Global Awareness and Technology Project was fully implemented across the system in 2009-2010; Professional Learning

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Communities, sharing best practices, and professional development contributed to the successes related to this goal, but challenges could continue due to limited resources.

Discussion and comments included the following: commendations for an excellent presentation; the video about the Lorton Station Elementary students' global awareness project had been an excellent example of how the 21<sup>st</sup> century skills of collaboration, creativity, communication, and critical thinking were incorporated into the social studies curriculum; comment from the Lorton Station teacher Paul McDermott that this type of a hands-on project provided his students with a rich life experience and valuable research skills that would serve them throughout life; concern about the resources needed for these types of projects, including providing additional time for teachers to plan these projects; the Board's student achievement goals included 21<sup>st</sup> century skills and the Board would consider a process to review the current measures.

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

One speaker addressed the Board in the time reserved for public comment. Ms. Phyllis Payne addressed Youth Risk Survey: Students are Sleep Deprived.

### **3.03 Student Representative Matters**

The Student Representative presented informational items.

## **4. ACTION ITEMS**

### **4.01 Student Achievement Goal 1.2. Communicate in at least two languages -** Accept the monitoring report on the current progress toward attaining the Student Achievement Goal 1.2. Communicate in at least two languages (IS; presentation on 10/21/10; Exhibit F)

Mr. Center moved, and Mr. Gibson seconded, to accept the monitoring report on the current progress toward attaining the Student Achievement Goal 1.2. Communicate in at least two languages. The motion **passed 10-0-1**: Mr. Center, Mr. Gibson, Ms. Hone, Mr. Moon, Dr. Raney, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Storck, Mrs. Strauss, and Mrs. Wilson voted "aye"; Ms. Bradsher abstained; Ms. Evans was absent.

### **4.02 Confirmation of Action Taken in Closed Meeting**

Having served as chairman of a three-member committee, along with Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Gibson moved, and Mrs. Reed seconded, to expel three students—one for possession of illegal drugs, drug paraphernalia, and prohibited

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items at school, and two for using a weapon to vandalize school property and a teacher's personal property. The motion **passed unanimously.**

### 5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 5.01 **Minutes** – Approve the minutes of October 21 regular School Board meeting (SB; Exhibit G)
- 5.02 **Fairfax County Purchasing Resolution** - Adopt the newly revised 2010 Fairfax County Purchasing Resolution, previously adopted by the Board of Supervisors, subject to the two conditions detailed in the agenda item (FS; presented as new business 10/21/10; Exhibit H)
- 5.03 **Additional Appointments** - Appoint individuals to serve on committees as detailed in the agenda item (SB; Exhibit I)

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

### 6. **NEW BUSINESS**

- 6.01 **Review of Departmental Operational Expectations** - Recommendation to approve revisions to the Operational Expectations, as detailed in the agenda item (SB; action scheduled 11/15/10; Exhibit J)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.02 **Conveyance of Digital Message Sign Easement at Woodburn ES** - Recommendation to accept compensation in the amount of \$5,046.00 for conveyance of the easement and authorize the Chief Operating Officer to execute on behalf of the School Board and deliver to the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation, in exchange for such compensation, the deed and any necessary related documents, all as approved by the School Board counsel, to accomplish such conveyances, as detailed in the agenda item (FTS; action scheduled 11/15/10; Exhibit K)

There was no discussion of this item.

- 6.03 **Award of Contract** - Recommendation to award a contract for the Forte Support Center re-roofing project to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder, and to authorize the Division Superintendent, or his designee, to execute the contract on behalf of the School Board (FTS; action scheduled for 11/15/10; Exhibit L)

There was no discussion of this item.

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**7. SUPERINTENDENT MATTERS**

The Superintendent presented informational items.

**8. REPORTS (Exhibit M)**

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**Forum on Board Topics - Kathy Smith, Chairman**

**9. BOARD MATTERS**

The Board Members made brief comments.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

**11. DEBRIEF**

The Board debriefed tonight's meeting.