

REGULAR MEETING of the NOTTOWAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD**February 13, 2020 7:00 P.M.**

Board Members Present: Bill Outlaw, Jamie Higgins, and Shelli Hinton**Board Members Absent:** Clive Pettis and Jimmy Fowlkes

Administrative Staff Present: Dr. Tameshia V. Grimes, Superintendent; Amy Eberly, Director of Finance; Dr. Joan Dooley, Direction of Exceptional Education; Marcia Martin, Director of Instruction, Grants and Testing; Charlotte Wood, Clerk; Donna Wade, Deputy Clerk; Jane Geyer, NMS Principal; Reggie Wilson, NHS Principal; Candace Barnette, NHS Assistant Principal; Dr. Chandra Lewis, NIS Principal; Dr. Carrie Gravely, BPS Principal; Lloyd Page, CPS Principal; Valarie Harris, ANTC Principal.

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

Mrs. Hinton opened the Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM.

Agenda Item #2 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mrs. Hinton asked if there was a motion to approve the February 13, 2020 agenda. Outlaw made a motion. Higgins seconded the motion, all in favor.

Agenda Item #3 – AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- A. School Highlights – NHS – “E-Hall Pass” – Marcia Martin. Mr. Wilson gave a brief preview of the program.
- B. Recognition of the Division Spelling Bee Champion and Runner-up – Marcia Martin
- C. 2019 VSBA Green Schools – Annette Brown shared a report.
- D. February 3-7, 2020: National School Counseling Week – Dr. Grimes
- E. School Board Appreciation – Dr. Grimes
- F. School Board Clerk Appreciation – Dr. Grimes

Agenda Item #4 – PUBIC HEARING – Shelli Hinton

Budget Hearing

Update for the 2020-21 Budget – Dr. Grimes. Presentation of 20-21 budget – Areas of Focus: Projected funding: standards of quality programs, incentive programs, categorical programs, lottery-funded programs; anticipated revenue-FY21 (ADM of 1,895); local composite index; local contribution to NCPS; annual school report; local contribution credit; anticipated expenditures and budget summary; budget initiatives: funded, Governor’s proposed budget, grant funded, local match required, move from year-end to line items, unfunded, and summary.

Open Public Hearing:

1. Sonny Abbott, District 3 Resident – Thanked Dr. Grimes and board members for allowing him to be on the Citizens Budget Comm. ANTC question - are we following the 60/40 cost share? If pre-payment did not occur, how will this affect the budget?
2. Ricky Rash, District 1 Resident – Dr. Grimes, thank you for a great presentation. The budget work session on Jan. 24th was appreciated.

Mrs. Hinton thanked Mr. Abbott, Mr. Rash, Mr. Sean Davis and Mrs. Beth Robertson for serving on the Citizens Budget Committee. No obligations or duties were delegated to the citizens.

Close Pubic Hearing

Agenda Item #5 - DELEGATIONS / PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. April Abernathy – spoke regarding the 2020-21 school calendar.

Agenda Item #6 - CONSENT AGENDA:

Outlaw offered a motion to approve the consent agenda. Higgins seconded the motion, all in favor.

- A. Approval of Minutes: January 9, 2020, and January 24, 2020
- B. Financial Report: January 31, 2020
- C. Payrolls: January 15 & 31, 2020
- D. Monthly Warrants
- E. Budget Adjustments: None
- F. Audited County Financial Report Year End June 30, 2019 – Amy Eberly
- G. Student Discipline #SD2-13-20(1) – approval long term suspension for 45 days for repeated disruptive behavior – Dr. Grimes
- H. Field Trip Request – NHS Winter Guard to attend AIA North Guard Championships, Hampton, VA – March 27-28, 2020 – Marcia Martin
- I. Field Trip Request – NHS Band to attend All-State competition, Richmond, VA – April 23-25, 2020 – Marcia Martin
- J. Field Trip Request – NHS NJROTC to travel to NAS Pensacola, FL, during Spring Break – April 12-17, 2020 – Marcia Martin

Agenda Item #7 ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Appointment of a School Board Members to serve as NCPS Representatives on the Joint Budget Committee by Dr. Grimes. Outlaw made the motion that Bill Outlaw and Shelli Hinton be appointed to serve. Higgins seconded, all in favor.
- B. Second reading of File: BDDH-R – Public Participation at School Board Meetings by Dr. Grimes. Higgins made the motion to approve. Outlaw seconded, all in favor.
- C. Approval of the second reading of the 2020-21 School Calendar by Marcia Martin. Outlaw made the motion to approve. No seconded. The motion failed.
 - i. Discussion: Mrs. Hinton understands how important the prep days are for a 4x4 block. Mrs. Hinton continued with remarks: likes that there are no ½ days in December; does not like the holiday break on December 23rd – too close to Christmas Eve. Mrs. Hinton spoke of appreciation to Mrs. Martin for all her work, and those who filled out the surveys.
 - ii. Dr. Grimes suggested some options: Adding a prep day in January (13th). Take away March 26th as a staff development day. May 28th last day of school. Graduation May 29th.
 - iii. Dr. Grimes added remarks regarding the make-up days. She is asking the board to allow the Superintendent flexibility to adjust make-up days, and allowing the Superintendent to use hours and days for make-up time.
- Approval of the 2020-21 School Calendar with Jan. 13th being a student holiday and making March 26th a regular school day. Higgins made a motion. Outlaw seconded. All in favor.
- Approval of the superintendent to have flexibility to adjust make-up days by allowing the Superintendent to use hours and days for make-up time for this calendar (ref: 20-21 and on). Higgins made the motion. Outlaw seconded. All in favor.
- D. Permission to accept the Region VIII Professional Development Grant by Marcia Martin. Outlaw made the motion to accept. Higgins seconded, all in favor.

- E. Permission to accept Diversity Among Provisionally Licensed Teachers Seeking Full Licensure in Virginia Grant by Marcia Martin. Higgins made the motion to accept. Outlaw seconded, all in favor.
- F. Approval of the Local Gifted Education Technical Review by Dr. Joan Dooley. Outlaw made the motion to approve. Higgins seconded. All in favor.

Agenda Item #8 NON-ACTION ITEMS:

- A. None

Agenda Items #9 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A. School Instructional Update – Marcia Martin
- B. NMS 21st Century Grant Update – Marcia Martin. Mrs. Worsham provided an update.
- C. Update on Burkeville Elementary School – Marcia Martin. Mr. Outlaw wanted to know who is paying for all the upkeep on this facility? What and any rent are we receiving against expenses? What is it costing NCPS now to keep that building open? What is the long-term benefit in NCPS keeping that facility? Is it being used to full capacity? What are the options?
 - i. Amy Eberly offered that the county pays for electricity use. Other renters pay for use to help offset costs.
- D. ANTC New Courses – Valarie Harris. Approved for Culinary Arts and Electricity programs.
 - i. Mr. Outlaw attended the ANTC Joint Board meeting. Mr. Outlaw went to the Cosmetology department and received a haircut. Students are performing at high levels.
- E. Student Liaison Report by Bryan Eppes.

Agenda Item #10 MATTERS OF SCHOOL BOARD INTEREST

- A. Joint Board meeting with School Board and Board of Supervisors – February or March, 2020 (date to be determined)
- B. SB Leadership Development Training – Feb. 17, 2020 – *CANCELED (new date TBD)*
- C. School Board Budget Work Session – February, 2020 (date to be determined)
- D. VSBA Southside Region Spring Network Forum at Dinwiddie County High School, 5 p.m. – March 5, 2020
- E. School Board Budget Work Session – March 25, 2020 (tentative)
- F. VSBA Hot Topic Conference, Chesterfield Career & Technical Center, Midlothian, VA – April 17, 2020
- G. VSBA Budget Training: The Board’s Role in Developing the School Budget – May 7, 2020
- H. Future Agenda Items: Burkeville Elementary School; Requests for the Baseball field – consider a work session.
- I. Other – none

Agenda Item #11 CLOSED MEETING RESOLUTION

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

- A.1 The consideration of personnel for seven (7) appointments (1 Special Education teacher, 1 bus driver, 1 car driver, 1 part-time custodian, and 3 substitute teachers; two (2) resignations (1 part-time custodian and one Special Education teacher); one (1) retirement (1 bookkeeper); discussion of the HR position; and employee performance; and
- A.2 The consideration of a student disciplinary matter #SD2-13-20(2) as authorized by Section 2.2-3711 A.1 and A.2

Outlaw seconded. All in favor.

Agenda Item #12 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Higgins offered a motion that the Board return to “Open Meeting” and certify by recorded vote, that to the best of each Board Member’s knowledge, only public matters lawfully exempted from “Open Meeting” requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and identified in the motion authorizing the “Closed Meeting” were heard, discussed, or considered in the “Closed Meeting”. Outlaw seconded the motion and the motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Outlaw, Higgins, Hinton

ABSENT: Pettis, Fowlkes

Motion passed by a 3:0 vote

Agenda Item #13 ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

A. Superintendent’s Personnel Agenda.

Higgins offered motion to approve the Superintendent’s Personnel Agenda. Outlaw seconded the motion and the motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Outlaw, Higgins, Hinton

ABSENT: Pettis, Fowlkes

Motion passed by a 3:0 vote

B. Student Discipline Matter #SD2-13-20(2)

Higgins offered motion to approve the student discipline of suspension from NCPS for up to 45 days. Outlaw seconded the motion and the motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Outlaw, Higgins, Hinton

ABSENT: Pettis, Fowlkes

Motion passed by a 3:0 vote

Agenda Item #14 ADJOURNMENT

Hinton offered motion to adjourn at 10:46 p.m. Outlaw seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Shelli Hinton, Chairperson

Date

Charlotte D. Wood, Clerk