

REGULAR MEETING of the NOTTOWAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD – 7 p.m.
Nottoway High School Mini Auditorium
August 13, 2020

Board Members Present: Bill Outlaw, Jamie Higgins, Jimmy Fowlkes and Shelli Hinton

Board Member by Zoom: Clive Pettis

Administrative Staff Present: Dr. Tameshia V. Grimes, Superintendent; Dr. Joan Dooley, Director of Exceptional Education; Marcia Martin, Director of Instruction, Grants and Testing; Donna Wade, Deputy Clerk; Candace Barnette, NHS Assistant Principal; Dr. Chandra Lewis, NIS Principal; Reggie Wilson, NHS Principal

Agenda Item #1 – CALL TO ORDER – Mrs. Hinton opened the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda Item #2 – MOMENT OF SILENCE / PRAYER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Agenda Item #3 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA – No action

Agenda Item #4 – AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. None

Agenda Item #5 - DELEGATIONS / PUBLIC COMMENT

A. None

Agenda Item #6 - CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- A. Approval of Minutes: July 7, 2020, July 9, 2020 and August 3, 2020
- B. Financial Report: June 30, 2020 and July 31, 2020
- C. Payrolls: July 15 & 31, 2020
- D. Monthly Warrants
- E. Budget Adjustments: KG1, KG2

Agenda Item #7 ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Approval of the revised 2020-2021 School Calendar by Marcia Martin. Fowlkes made a motion to approve. Higgins seconded. All in favor.
- B. Approval of the Code of Student Conduct by Dr. Grimes. Discussion was made for definition changes. Higgins made the motion to approve. Outlaw seconded. All in favor.
- C. Approval of Policies JFHA/GBA and GBA/JFHA – Prohibition Against Harassment and Retaliation by Dr. Grimes. Outlaw made the motion to approve. Fowlkes seconded. All in favor.
- D. School Resource Officer Resolution by Dr. Grimes. Outlaw made the motion to approve. Higgins seconded. The motion was approved by 4:1 vote. (Pettis no)
- E. Permission to accept 21st Century Grant for BPS and Budget Adjustment by Marcia Martin. Outlaw made the motion to accept. Higgins seconded. All in favor.

- F. Permission to accept 21st Century Grant for CPS and Budget Adjustment by Marcia Martin. Fowlkes made the motion to accept. Outlaw seconded. All in favor.
- G. Permission to accept 21st Century Grant for NIS and Budget Adjustment by Marcia Martin. Fowlkes made the motion to accept. Higgins seconded. All in favor.

Agenda Item #8 NON-ACTION ITEMS:

- A. None at this time.

Agenda Items #9 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A. Professional Development Update by Marcia Martin
- B. Summer School Update by Marcia Martin and presented by facilitator Devon Alder.
- C. Supplement Funding through GEER and CARES Set-Aside by Marcia Martin
- D. Summer Project Report by Dr. Grimes
- E. Return to School Update by Dr. Grimes. The superintendent recommends that NCPS reopen on September 8, 2020 in a virtual model with allowances necessary. Discussion was made.
 - i. **ACTION ITEM FROM UPDATE:** A call for a motion for Nottoway County Public Schools to start September 8th virtually for the term of nine weeks with necessary exceptions. Fowlkes made the motion. Outlaw seconded. All in favor.
- F. ANTC / PAS Update by Dr. Grimes. Discussion was made regarding the programs and the agreement.
 - i. **ACTION ITEM FROM UPDATE:** Outlaw made a motion to have Dr. Grimes to request a joint meeting with the full Amelia School Board and Nottoway School Board to begin a resolution of this process. Fowlkes seconded. All in favor. A work session will be done prior with Nottoway Board before the joint board meeting.
- G. Superintendent's Report by Dr. Grimes. Introduced Dr. R. J. Greger, Director Human Resources and Community Relations. Working on a schedule for distributing devices.

Agenda Item #10 MATTERS OF SCHOOL BOARD INTEREST

- A. Open House – by appointment (8:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.; breaks 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 4-5 p.m.) – Thursday, September 3, 2020
- B. First Day of School – Tuesday, September 8, 2020
- C. VSBA Legislative Advocacy Conference – Virtual – September 24, 2020
- D. VSBA Superintendent's Evaluation Workshop – Virtual – October 7, 2020
- E. VSBA Annual Convention – Virtual – November 18-20, 2020
- F. Future Agenda Items
- G. Other – Outlaw commended the entire staff for the amazing job being done for the progress being made. Pettis reviewed the bills and requested data from Dr. Grimes. Also Pettis has concerns about adding agenda items to the meeting.

Agenda Item #11 CLOSED MEETING RESOLUTION

Higgins offered a motion pursuant to section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia that the Board convene a “Closed Meeting” for the purpose of discussing the following specific matters:

Pursuant to section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia, I move that the Board convene a “Closed Meeting” for the purpose of discussing the following specific matters:

- A. Four (4) appointments (2 custodians, 1 instructional assistant – special education, and 1 school nurse)
- B. One (1) retirement (1 bus driver)
- C. Three (3) resignations (1 special education teacher / administrative liaison / lead teacher, 2 food service workers, part time)

And

A.7 The discussion of “probable” litigation as authorized by Section 2.2-3711.A.7

Fowlkes seconded. All in favor.

Agenda Item #12 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

- A. Returned to Open Session
- B. Shelli Hinton made a motion to approve an amendment made to closed session agenda regarding personnel discussed in July’s closed session as well as the bank statement for the cafeteria. Fowlkes seconded. All in favor.
- C. Shelli Hinton made a motion to approve to increase the salary for our part-time cafeteria employees. Fowlkes seconded. All in favor.
- D. 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”. Fowlkes seconded the motion and the motion passed by the following vote:
AYES: Outlaw, Higgins, Pettis, Fowlkes, Hinton
Motion passed by a 5:0 vote
- E. Certified

Agenda Item #13 ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

A. Superintendent’s Personnel Agenda.

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

AYES: Outlaw, Higgins, Pettis, Fowlkes, Hinton; Motion passed by a 5:0 vote

Agenda Item #14 ADJOURNMENT

Outlaw offered motion to adjourn. Fowlkes seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Shelli Hinton, Chairperson

Date

Donna Wade, Deputy Clerk