

**GOOCHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MARCH 11, 2008
GOOCHLAND HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Andrew A. Meng, III called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present were:

Andrew A. Meng, III, Chairman
Raymond A. Miller, Vice Chairman
Mr. Ivan O. Mattox, Sr.
Mr. James L. Haskell
Mr. Maxwell G. Cisne
Dr. Linda A. Underwood, Superintendent

Also attending were:

Ellen Guidry, Director of Elementary Education
Stacey Austin, Principal, Randolph Elementary School
James Hopkins, Principal, Byrd Elementary School
Johnette Burdette, Goochland Middle School
Dianna Gordon, Principal, Goochland Elementary School
Jon Bennett, Principal, Goochland High School
Tom DeWeerd, Director of Secondary Education
Andrea Erard, Legal Counsel

The Media was represented by:

Brad Franklin, *The Goochland Gazette*
Lee Francis, *The Goochland Courier*

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jonathan Daly and Danielle Daly, both students at Randolph Elementary School.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

Dr. Underwood provided Agenda Addendum items to the Board.

FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- Janet Whalen presented a flyer prepared by Goochland Citizens for Educational Development (GCED). This flyer is asking for the support of all Goochland citizens in the School Board's budget process.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

- The next regular monthly workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, April 1, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the Annex Conference Room.

- The 2008 VSBA Southside Regional Forum is scheduled for April 9, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. at the Amelia County High School.
- Audit Committee Meeting is Monday, March 17, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.
- Board of Supervisors Budget Public Hearing – Tuesday, March 25, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

CONSENT ITEMS

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

MINUTES

BILLS/PAYROLL

The following Consent Agenda items were presented for approval:
February 12, 2008 regular meeting minutes and February 26, 2008 workshop minutes, Bills and Payroll for February, and Personnel Actions.

Appointments:

Sandra E. Hinchman, GHS, Spanish
William E. James, GMS, English
Michael Tomlin, BES, 1st Grade

Resignations:

Jamie Bates, GMS, Social Studies
Nancy Duvigneaud, GHS, Secretary/Bookkeeper
Anne Burnley Eubank, CO, Literacy Specialist
Victoria LeFon, GMS, English
Sara E. Noller, BES, 1st Grade

Retirement:

Ronie D. Herndon, BES, Kindergarten, (ERIP)
Deloris Shelton, RES, Autism/MR (ERIP)

Mr. Cisne made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Haskell, to approve the Consent Items as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS:

REQUEST FOR RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION

Dr. Underwood presented a request for religious exemption from compulsory attendance pursuant to Virginia Code 22.1-24(B) and recommended approval of the request.

Mr. Meng made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to approve the request for religious exemption. The motion was approved unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

RANDOLPH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Stacey Austin, Principal, presented the Randolph Elementary School Improvement Plan.

FEBRUARY 29, 2008 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Dr. Underwood presented the February 29, 2008 financial update. Based on projections made by Betty Thurston, the Supervisor of Transportation, and Sonny Turner, the

Supervisor of Maintenance, fuel monies will be exhausted by mid-April. The School Board would need Board of Supervisor approval to move money from one category to another in order to fund the deficit. Dr. Underwood will have more information in April, and will be able to make a recommendation at that time.

FY 2008 BUDGET UPDATE

Dr. Underwood presented information regarding the installation of flashing lights and/or signs at Byrd Elementary School, Randolph Elementary School, and Bulldog Way.

CIP UPDATE

Dr. Underwood presented an update on the Capital Improvement Plan.

SCHOOL MEDICAL ADVISOR

Dr. Underwood met with Debra Beasley, Director of Special Education and Student Services, regarding the need for a volunteer medical director. School nurses surveyed a number of schools in the area to find out if they had a medical director and compiled a job description. Dr. Underwood recommend the Board review the description and come back at the April 1, 2008 meeting with a decision.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

- The proposed SY 2008-09 Calendar is currently on the website for review and comment. The calendar committee will present the final draft of the calendar at the April 8, 2008 meeting.
- On March 11, 2008 a report was made to the Goochland High School office of a possible threat and the school was placed on lockdown. The Sheriff's office investigated and found there was no threat. No one was in any danger at any time. School let out on schedule.
- The Chamber of Commerce Community Affairs Committee met with Jesse Hernandez and Connie Foreman to determine the needs of the Chamber and GCPS for the internship program.

SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- Elizabeth Nelson-Lyda spoke pointing out that the Board of Supervisors also has a meeting on April 1, 2008. She also spoke regarding the GCED flyers and said they will be distributed to every school child in the county. She feels we need a school regardless of where it is located.

CLOSED MEETING

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

APPROVED:



Andrew A. Meng, III, Chairman

APPROVED:



Diane W. Bennett, Clerk

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