

**GOOCHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY WORKSHOP
August 24, 2010
Goochland High School Studio B
6:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Maxwell G. Cisne, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Present were:

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

Also attending were:

Peter M. Gretz, Assistant Superintendent
Tom DeWeerd, Director of Secondary Education
Francie Ball, Principal, Goochland High School
Johnette Burdette, Principal, Goochland Middle School
Bryan Gordon, Activities Director
Andrea Erard, Legal Counsel
Diane Bennett, School Board Clerk

The Media was represented by:

Amy Condra, *The Goochland Gazette*

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- Sekou Shabaka said he is disappointed that the School Board went forward with the gifted proposal as presented. He feels if the disproportionalities will be solved, then something different needs to be done. He said the NAACP still wants to be proactive and wants to reach out. He suggested having a meeting to allow the public to make recommendations and vote on it at a later meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

The following Consent Agenda items were presented for approval:

Appointments:

Pat Chavis, Prep, Alternative Education Liaison
Alice Fruth, GES, 3rd Grade
Corey Jacobsen, GMS, Special Education

Ernest McLeod, CO, Director of Finance and Operations
Gaynell Robinson, BES, Part-time Cleaner
Melissa Webb, GES, 1st Grade

Resignations:

Sarah Ayres, GES, 1st Grade

Leave of Absence:

Dianne Harris, RES, Custodian

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

ACTION ITEMS:

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. Miller, to approve the request for religious exemption. The motion was approved unanimously.

ACTION ITEM:

RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION

Dr. Underwood presented a second 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. Haskell, to approve the request for religious exemption. The motion was approved unanimously.

POLICY UPDATE APPROVAL

Dr. Underwood presented the following policy updates for approval:

<u>Policy Code</u>	<u>Revision</u>
IC/ID	School Year/School Day Policy revised to reflect amendment of Va. Code § 22.1-79.1 by HB 557.
IGAG	Teaching About Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco Policy and Legal References revised to reflect amendments to Board of Education regulations.
IGAJ	Driver Education Policy revised to reflect amendment of Va. Code § 22.1-205 by SB 269.

IGBG	Homebound, Correspondence, and Alternative Means of Instruction Policy revised to reflect content of 8 VAC 20-131-180. Cross Reference added.
IGCA	Summer School Policy revised to reflect amendment of Va. Code § 22.1-199.2 by HB 208
IIAA	Textbook Selection, Adoption, and Purchase Policy revised to reflect amendment of Va. Code § 22.1-241 by HB 709. Cross Reference added.

Mr. Meng made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Haskell, to approve the above-listed policies as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

DONATION FROM POWHATAN CORRECTIONAL CENTER

Goochland County Public Schools received a donation from the Powhatan Correctional Center of school supplies. Dr. Underwood explained that the supplies will be distributed among each of the schools to be given to the students who need them.

Mr. Mattox made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Meng, to approve the donation of school supplies from the Powhatan Correctional Center. The motion was approved unanimously.

CRISIS PLAN CERTIFICATION

Dr. Underwood presented information regarding the Crisis Plan to the School Board for annual certification of the Plan. The School Board will be provided with the Crisis Plan flip charts as soon as they come back from the printer. Dr. Underwood requested that the School Board certify the review of the Crisis Plan.

Mr. Miller made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Meng, to certify the Crisis Plan as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

AP TEXTBOOK ADOPTIONS

Dr. Underwood and Tom DeWeerd presented staff recommendations for AP Language and Composition, AP Biology, and AP Environmental Science Textbooks. Each of the textbooks were reviewed by a team. Staff recommended the following textbooks: *The Language of Composition: Reading, Writing and Rhetoric; 50 Essays: A Portable Anthology 2nd Edition; Literature: Reading, Reacting, Writing; Biology 8th Edition; and Living in the Environment: Principles, Connections, and Solutions (16th Edition).*

Mr. Mattox made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Haskell, to approve staff recommendations for a secondary AP Physics textbook. The motion was approved unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

POLICY UPDATES

Andrea Erard presented the following policy updates for first reading:

Policy Code	Revision
FECBA	Energy Efficient Construction Policy and Legal References updated. Cross References added.
FECBB	Accommodations for the Disabled Policy, Legal References, and Cross References updated.
FEG	Construction Planning Policy and Legal Reference updated. Cross Reference added.
GA	Personnel Policies Goals Policy updated. Cross References added.
GC	Professional Staff Policy and Legal References updated to reflect repeal of Va. Code § 22.1-298, enactment of § 22.1-298.1 and repeal of 8 VAC 20-21-10 and adoption of 8 VAC 20-22-10 et seq. by the Board of Education.
GCBE	Family and Medical Leave Policy revised to reflect October 2009 amendment of the Family and Medical Leave Act.
GDI	Support Staff Assignments and Transfers Policy updated. Cross Reference added.
JED	Student Absences/Excuses/Dismissals Changes in subsection I based on amendment of Va. Code § 22.1-254 by SB361.
JN	Student Fees, Fines, and Charges Policy revised to reflect amendment of Va. Code § 22.1-243 by HB 491.
LC	Charter Schools Policy revised to reflect amendment of Va. Code § 22.1-212.15 by HB 208.

The policies will be brought back at the September 14, 2010 meeting for approval.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE

At the August 10, 2010 meeting the question was raised as to how School Board members are appointed to the committee. The School Board requested a change to the policy to specifically state that the School Board Chairman and Vice Chairman will serve on the committee. There was also a request that the number of representatives for each district be changed to two, each serving two-year terms, which will rotate out every other year. The revised policy will be brought back at the September 14, 2010 meeting for approval.

ATHLETICS FUNDING

Francie Ball explained that athletics is a fundraiser. Two years ago the athletics account was in the hole \$40,000 because gate receipts don't make enough to cover the costs. The School Board has helped in paying for security and officials over the last couple of years. This year the fund is starting in a positive. They have fundraisers and donations. Information will be brought back at the September 28, 2010 workshop.

REDUCTION IN FORCE (RIF) UPDATE

Dr. Underwood presented an update on the Reduction in Force. She explained that there were 9 teachers, 4 instructional assistants, and 1 support staff. We ended up recalling 7 teachers, 1 instructional assistant, and no support staff. Of those who actually started the school year with us there were 4 teachers, 1 instructional assistant and no support staff. Additionally, of the 7 teachers recalled 1 declined and 2 resigned after accepting the position. Of the 2 teachers not recalled, 1 did not complete the requirements for recertification, and 1 accepted a position with another school division.

ENROLLMENT UPDATE

Dr. Underwood presented an enrollment update. Enrollment was as follows: BES – 321, GES – 347, RES – 445, GMS – 576, and GHS – 744. Dr. Underwood stated that those numbers will increase after Labor Day.

ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS (AYP) UPDATE

Dr. Underwood presented an update on Adequate Yearly Progress.

VIRGINIA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Andrea Erard presented an overview of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Mr. Mattox has concerns about business day being the same day for all schools and asked if it could be done on different days in the future. One of the things discussed was to have 6th grade orientation separate from the rest. Parking is very difficult during this event. The School Board discussed having business day on different days. Parents have also had comments about coming on different days.

CLOSED MEETING

Is there a motion to go into closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code section 2.2-2711(A)(1) for the discussion or consideration of the superintendent's annual evaluation and pursuant to Va. Code section 2.2-3711(A)(2) for the discussion of a student disciplinary matter that would involve the disclosure of information from a student's scholastic record?

END CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Miller made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Meng, for the Board to come out of Closed Meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Haskell made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Meng, to certify that only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Board. The motion was approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

APPROVED:

Manuel S. Cisne
Signature

9/14/10
Date

APPROVED:

Diane W. Bennett
Signature

9/14/10
Date