

**GOOCHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY WORKSHOP
AUGUST 25, 2009
ANNEX CONFERENCE ROOM
6:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Raymond A. Miller, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

Present were:

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

Also present:

Peter M. Gretz, Assistant Superintendent
Thomas DeWeerd, Director of Secondary Education
Lynne Venter, Director of Finance and Operations
Connie Foreman, Gifted Specialist
Brad Franklin, Research and Information Services Analyst
Andrea Erard, Legal Counsel

The Media was represented by:

David DesRoches, *The Central Virginian*

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

Dr. Underwood presented additions and changes to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Louise Newton spoke regarding her son not being allowed to play football. Mr. Miller advised Ms. Newton that matters concerning individual students are usually handled in closed session, but stated she could, if she felt comfortable, present her case in open session. The Board will discuss the matter in closed session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Underwood presented information regarding the opening of school stating that all went well. There will be a letter sent home to parents regarding swine flu. Staff will be rethinking business day procedures and ways to improve it. Enrollment is holding – up in some areas and down in others. Enrollment is as follows: GHS – 780, GMS – 559, BES – 331, RES – 416, GES (without preschool) – 386, Preschool – 72.

CONSENT ITEMS

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

The following Consent Agenda items were presented for approval:

Appointments:

Lekisha Timberlake, GES/SC (Aide)

Supplement Appointment:

Melissa Black, Athletic Trainer

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:

SECONDARY AP STATS TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

Tom DeWeerd presented staff recommendations for a secondary AP Stats textbook adoption. Staff recommended *The Practice of Statistics, 3rd Edition*, as the textbook of choice.

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

STATE FISCAL STABILIZATION FUND APPLICATION

Dr. Underwood presented a copy of the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund Application for Board review and approval. The application is for \$334,605 in stimulus money.

Mr. Cisne made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Haskell, to approve the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund Application as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

YOUNG EXPLORER/ENRICHMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

Connie Foreman, Glenda Hawk, and Jamie-Ellen Spessard presented an overview of the Young Explorer/Enrichment Program.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN CLOSEOUT

Pete Gretz presented copies of school improvement plan closeout information from each school. The Board would like to include as part of our Vision, Mission, Goals and Priorities, that there is an expectation that parents participate in schools in order to provide more resources. The Board also suggested the use of School Messenger to encourage involvement.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Dr. Underwood presented two proposed resolutions of the Board of Supervisors that provide for the posting of on-line check registers for public viewing. The Board discussed the matter and determined the procedures by which to publish the accounts payable registers in Board packets would be left up to administration.

ENROLLMENT REPORT

Dr. Underwood provided an update on enrollment stating the preschool programs are bursting at the seams. The official enrollment count will be on September 30 and will be provided to the Board at the first meeting in October.

PROJECTION REPORT

Dr. Underwood provided a projection report outlining the history of projections back to SY 2000-2001 as well as actual enrollment.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Mattox made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to go into closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(2) for the discussion or consideration of a student disciplinary matter.

END CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Cisne 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. Mattox, 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.

ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Cisne made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Haskell, to readmit student no. 12-08 immediately. The motion was approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

APPROVED:

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Raymond G. Miller

Signature

Diane W. Bennett

Signature

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