

**GOOCHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY WORKSHOP
SEPTEMBER 23, 2008
ANNEX CONFERENCE ROOM**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Andrew A. Meng, III, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

Present were:

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

Also present:

Lynne Venter, Supervisor of Finance
Betty Thurston, Supervisor of Transportation
Frances Ball, Principal, Goochland High School
Thomas DeWeerd, Director of Secondary Education
Andrea Erard, Legal Counsel

The Media was represented by:

Lee Francis, *The Goochland Courier*

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- Sekou Shabakah spoke thanking the Board for access and dialog. He made a formal request for a response to his presentation of July 22, 2008. He stated he would like to make the five items each separate initiatives and would like to include community involvement. He looks forward to next month and would like to see some planning around what was recommended to the Board.

CONSENT ITEMS

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

The following Personnel Actions were presented for approval:

Appointments:

Ronald Haley, Bus Driver
Amanda Presson, GES, Instructional Assistant

Supplemental Appointments:

GHS Coaches/Sponsors

Dan Summitt, Assistant Baseball
Patrick Gordon, Assistant Baseball
Wes Farkas, Head Baseball
Matt Singleton, Assistant Boys Basketball
James Shelton, Assistant Boys Basketball
Christina Owens, Assistant Girls Basketball
Courtney Oliver, Head Boys Varsity Basketball
Sarah Nicholson, Head Girls Varsity Basketball
Lonnie Kirk, Assistant Football
Harris Diggs, Jr., Assistant Football
Sherry Rosen, Gymnastics
Patrick Brook, Assistant Boys Soccer
Zoe Parrish, Assistant Girl Soccer
Ron Spessard, Head Boys Soccer
Tom Reid, Head Girls Soccer
Sarah Nicholson, Assistant Softball
Amy Henneberger, Head Softball
Darden Ritchie, Swimming
Margie Yurick, Boys Tennis
John Dacey, Girls Tennis
Christina Owens, Assistant Outdoor Track
Termon Minor, Assistant Outdoor Track
Kevin Myers, Head Boys Outdoor Track
Henry Jones, Head Girls Outdoor Track
David Tual, Head ACE
Patrick Brook, Assistant ACE
Kent Gall, Band Director
Gemma Smith, Drama
Gemma Smith, Forensics
Jay Sykes, Percussion
Joe Fowler, Senior Class
Bruce Montgomery, GHS Yearbook
Karen Harden, GMS Yearbook
Liz Kuhns, Junior Class
Bruce Montgomery, Newspaper/Literacy Magazine
Bridget Parker, SCA

GMS Coaches/Sponsors

Wilbur Athey, Boys Basketball
Karen Langston-Byers, Girls Basketball
Tom Reid, Girls Soccer
Jay Sykes, Softball
Jamie Winfield, Cheerleaders

Resignation:

Marlene Anderson, GES, Instructional Assistant

Motion on Personnel Action was deferred to closed meeting.

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

TEXTBOOKS AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

Dr. Underwood presented a memo from Tom DeWeerd, Director of Secondary Education, Ellen Guidry, Director of Elementary Education, and Karren Streagle, Testing Coordinator, regarding outdated textbooks and instructional materials that have been removed from schools. In an effort to dispose of the materials and benefit the community, it was suggested that they be offered to home school parents. Dr. Underwood recommended the donation.

Mr. Haskell made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Mattox, to approve the donation of outdated textbooks and instructional materials to home school families. The motion was approved unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

PROJECT RETURN REPORT

Tom DeWeerd presented an update on the Project Return program. He indicated there were 20 students in the program last year. 12 out of 20 were returned to classes, 1 passed the GED, 2 are enrolled in New Directions which is a GED program at Goochland Prep), 1 is in a special program at GHS, and 2 left the division and are unknown.

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS BUDGET

Francie Ball presented the GHS athletics budget. The biggest costs are officials and security. The athletics program loses money each year. The Board will bring back policy on fund raising and advertising at the next workshop. They would also like to have information regarding uniform costs, officials, and security.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Dr. Underwood presented a revised Memorandum of Understanding between Goochland County Board of Supervisors and Goochland County School Board for cooperative purchasing. After discussion, Mr. Meng made a recommendation that the Board engage in cooperative purchasing with Goochland County.

Mr. Miller made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to engage in cooperative purchasing for the purpose of efficiency on a case-by-case basis pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-4304. The motion was approved unanimously.

BUS GARAGE

Betty Thurston presented information regarding a meeting among Betty Thurston, Lynne Venter, Sonny Turner, Cecil Youngblood and a Harlan Construction representative met regarding Harlan's proposed unsolicited bid for building a bus garage.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND MULTIPURPOSE ROOMS

Dr. Underwood presented two resolutions that were presented to the Board of Supervisors regarding the construction of a new elementary school and multipurpose rooms at Randolph Elementary School and Byrd Elementary School. Jim McCalla is putting together an estimate of when we will be able to get these projects to bid.

VISION, MISSION, GOALS AND PRIORITIES

Dr. Underwood presented proposed revisions to the Vision, Mission, Goals and Priorities. The Board will review this information and will pass on their recommendations to Dr. Underwood.

BUDGET REDUCTION

Dr. Underwood presented an e-mail from VSBA regarding budget reductions and possible legislative action. She also presented a list of possible expenditure reductions which was put together by the Leadership Team.

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)(1) for the discussion or consideration of the appointment of an Instructional Assistant at Goochland Elementary School. The motion was approved unanimously.

END CLOSED MEETING

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

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Miller 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 ITEM

Mr. Miller made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Haskell, to approve the Personnel Action as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

APPROVED:

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Raymond A. Miller
Signature

Diane Bennett
Signature

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