

**GOOCHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR MONTHLY WORKSHOP  
November 23, 2010  
Annex Building Training Room  
6:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Maxwell G. Cisne, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:35 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  
Johnette Burdette, Principal, Goochland Middle School  
Connie Foreman, Enrichment and Interim Elementary Instructional Specialist  
Andrea Erard, Legal Counsel  
Diane Bennett, School Board Clerk

**The Media was represented by:**

Ken Odor, *The Goochland Gazette*

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

- Sekou Shabaka thanked the Board for responding to the July 13, 2010 letter from the NAACP regarding a request for review and a centralized effort to handle disproportionality. Even though they were disappointed that the effort will not be centralized, they do appreciate the response. The second letter was in October and was regarding the town hall meeting and they do appreciate the response to that which was in the affirmative, and they look forward to working with school staff regarding the town hall meeting. Thirdly there is a middle school student named Sierra McLean who was written up in the Richmond Free Press for setting the record for fund raising for the NAACP and being the youngest person to do so. He would like her to be brought before the Board and recognized. If that is not possible, the NAACP would like to recognize her during the public comment period. She is an honor student at GMS. The second issue is a question and he may have to put this in writing, in the Saturday, November 20, 2010 Richmond Times Dispatch there is an African American Trailblazers in Virginia History essay contest sponsored by the James River Writers, Library of Virginia, and the Richmond Times Dispatch for students in grades 4-12. Mr. Shabaka asked if GCPS has anyone enrolled and if not, the NAACP would like to sponsor with the school to sponsor a student to enter.

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA**

Dr. Underwood presented additions/deletions/changes to the agenda.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

Dr. Underwood presented an additional recommendation for the Facilities Committee, as follows: Treve Hosken (District 4).

Mr. Haskell made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Mattox, to approve the Facilities Committee recommendation as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO ADVANCED PROGRAMS**

Connie Foreman, along with Johnette Burdette and Emily Ray, presented information regarding advanced programs for Goochland Middle School.

Mr. Mattox made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve revisions as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

**INFORMATION ITEM:**

**REVISION IN CSA FUNDING**

Dr. Underwood presented information regarding the funding for FAPT Behavioral Specialists. CSA funding will no longer be available for the behavioral specialists. This will be an expense of approximately \$137,000 in unbudgeted funds for the current year. Next year the implication is approximately \$250,000. FAPT Behavioral Specialists will then become full time employees with this change. Dr. Underwood will update the Board in December.

**UPDATE OF "GOOCHLAND COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE"**

**EDUCATION GOALS/ACTIONS**

Dr. Underwood presented a list provided by the County regarding goals/actions for the schools and asked that the Board review the list and update it. The Board reviewed the list and authorized Dr. Underwood to forward updates to the County.

**FY 2011-2012 BUDGET FORECAST**

Dr. Underwood presented information on the budget forecast as follows:

**2011-2012 SCHOOLS BUDGET INFORMATION**

**Process:**

• December 17:	• Governor's Budget released
• December 28:	• School Board Workshop - Superintendent's Proposed Budget presented to School Board
• January 4:	• Special School Board Budget Meeting - Cost Center presentations
• January 11:	• School Board Meeting and Budget Public Hearing
• January 18:	• Special School Board Meeting
• January 25:	• School Board Workshop - School Board's Proposed Budget approved
• January 27:	• Budget submitted to County Administration

based on disability. These guidelines include state and federal regulations that must be followed.

Mr. Mattox made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Haskell, to approve the Section 504 Guidelines as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### POLICY UPDATES

Dr. Underwood presented updates to Policies BDDH, BDDH-R, KD, and KD-R for approval.

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

#### FY 2010-2011 BUDGET

Dr. Underwood presented a list of Grant Fund modifications for approval and supplemental appropriation request to the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Meng made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Mattox, to approve the Grant Fund modifications and supplemental appropriation as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

At this time, Ernie McLeod also presented the October financial update.

#### INFORMATION ITEMS:

##### GOOCHLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION PROGRAM

Christin Ciminelli, Assistant Principal, Goochland Middle School, presented an overview of the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program. Student representatives present were Hunter Bailey, Ronnie Cooley, Eva Hansen, Kayla Nelson, Riley Powers, and Daric Clarke.

#### CLASS SIZE REPORT

Dr. Underwood presented the Class Size Report as of September 30, 2010.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Haskell asked Dr. Underwood to give an overview of the School Board Retreat held on Monday, November 8, 2010, regarding the comprehensive plan. Dr. Underwood explained that the School Board met and discussed items for the comprehensive plan as well as the timeline. There will be 10 subcommittees for which members will be sought.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Mattox mentioned that VCU has received a grant for secondary enrichment programs in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and that they are putting together workshops and resources for secondary schools in Virginia. He suggested that principals look in to it.

#### SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT

- Michael McDermott said he was pleased to see overhead being used for some presentations. He said it was a glimmer of hope that was quickly tempered by other things. He said Bryan Gordon, at the last meeting, was unduly chastised to

predict the weather. He feels that is Mr. Gordon can be expected to predict the weather then someone should be able to predict the economy and that someone was let off the hook with regard to class size. He feels everyone should be held to the same standard. He feels the School Board is hearing but not listening. He said the packet was single-sided again. He said it is not hard to hit the two-sided button on copier. He feels the School Board is squandering tax dollars and that it makes a statement. He said if the School Board wants to be here after the next election, they need to start listening and not just hearing.

#### CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Meng made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Mattox, to go into closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(3) for the discussion or consideration of a student disciplinary matter because discussion in open meeting would disclose information from a student scholastic record. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### END CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Mattox made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Haskell, 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 ITEM

Mr. Meng made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to long term suspend student no. 4-10 through the end of the first semester (January 3, 2011) and to permit student no. 4-10 to receive services through Project Return at Goochland Prep during the term of the long term suspension. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

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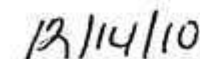
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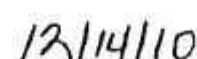
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