

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF ISLE WIGHT COUNTY AT THE
ROBERT C. CLAUD SR. BOARD ROOM
THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017 (5:00 p.m.)**

ROLL CALL:

Upon roll call the following were present:

Board Members:

Alvin Wilson, Hardy District

Victoria Hulick, Newport District

Julia W. Perkins, Windsor District

Jacqueline W. Carr, Carrsville District (arrived at 5:08 p.m.)

Kirstin Cook, Smithfield District

Also in attendance:

James Thornton, Superintendent

Tracey Reutt, School Board Clerk

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Alvin Wilson, Chairman, called the Regular School Board Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., and welcomed all present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA OR AMENDMENTS:

Member Kirstin Cook moved **Member** Julia Perkins seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED. 4-0**

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION:

Member Victoria Hulick moved, **Member** Kirstin Cook seconded the motion to go into closed session at 5:08 p.m., pursuant to the Code of Virginia sections 2.2-3711, (1) for discussion or consideration of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of employees; Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED. 4-0**

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION:

The Chairman reconvened the meeting into open session.

RESOLUTION OF CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE:

Member Victoria Hulick moved **Member** Kirstin Cook seconded the motion to adopt the attached Resolution of Certification of Compliance, in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED. 5-0**

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WELCOME:

Mr. Wilson welcomed everyone present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mrs. Victoria Hulick led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

ISLE OF WIGHT ACHIEVERS:

Mrs. Lynn Briggs, Director of Media/Public Relations, recognized the following individuals and groups for outstanding achievements.

March is Fine Arts Month and there is student art work displayed in the lobby for everyone to see.

Smithfield High School

Wrestling
Indoor Track and Field Team

Windsor High School

Beta Club

Georgie D. Tyler Middle

Junior Beta Club

Hardy Elementary

Katherine Kirk became a published author

Seniors of the Month

Emily Guilford – Windsor High
Sarah Lemon – Smithfield High

ABCD 2nd Quarter Employee

Mrs. Elizabeth Denoncourt – school nurse at Windsor High School

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

Carrsville Elementary – Students will give a presentation on “What do Professional Authors Do?”

REQUEST TO SPEAK:

Mrs. Laura Zabinski
Ms. Katherine Zabinski
Mr. Herb DeGroft
Mr. Charles Greene
Mr. Micheal Uzzle

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BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mrs. Cook attended the Special Education Advisory Meeting in February. Mr. Lombardo presented on Deeper Learning, there were parents in attendance and it was very well received. Mr. Chelgren gave the preliminary finding from the DMC report that we are doing, the accommodations and considerations that we are considering doing which will be share at an upcoming School Board meeting.

Mr. Freeman gave a presentation on job coaching and the virtual store. We are trying to change the format of this committee where it is more parent led so they are looking for parent who are interested to be on the committee. The next meeting is April 19.

Mr. Wilson gave a thank you to Hardy Elementary staff to the Board Appreciation Breakfast.

Mrs. Cook also thanked Windsor Elementary for the Board Luncheon.

FINANCAL PRESENTATION:

Ms. Yates presented the February Financial Statements and entertained any questions from the Board.

SUPPORT SERVICES:

Transportation

Mr. Livingston gave the monthly transportation report:

Diesel fuel for the month was 11,000 gallons at \$1.76 p/gal at a cost of \$19,417

Propane usage was 4,815 gallons at \$1.29 at a cost of \$6,254

YTD in Diesel \$136,000

YTD in Propane \$28,000

Staffing Report: We currently have 2 open runs at the moment. We have one driver completing training next week, we have 3 other drivers at various stages of training.

Carrollton Sprinkler System

Mr. Callender gave a brief overview of the sprinkler system. A test of the system was conducted on Monday, February 20, Feb 21 and 22 all repairs from the test were made and a retest was conducted. On February 24 documentation was received that our system was up to code and the State Fire Marshal was notified and he immediately cleared the school.

Hardy Elementary Storm Water Runoff Update

Mr. Callender has been working with Don Jennings and Melvin Hopkins with the County. They are putting a scope of work together and once we have the details Mr. Callendar will present the scope of work at a Board meeting.

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Disposal of Surplus Equipment

Mr. Coopridder will ask the Boards approval of disposal for old technology equipment.

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REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Special Education Annual Plan

Mr. Tom Chelgren presented the first draft of the Special Education Annual Plan for the Board and entertained any questions.

The Board took a (3) minute break.

IWCS/PDCCC Partnership

Mrs. Heather Tuck presented a powerpoint presentation on the Duel Enrollment Program between Isle of Wight County Schools and Paul D Camp Community College.

Smithfield Foods Legacy Project Donation

Dr. Thornton is requesting the Board to accept the 1 million dollar donation and request appropriation from the Board of Supervisors.

Member Kirstin Cook moved **Member** Victoria Hulick seconded the motion to accept the donation and request the Board of Supervisors to appropriate the funds as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED. 5-0**

FY18 Operational Budget

Dr. Thornton presented the proposed FY18 Operational Budget

- Teacher salary increases are in the proposed budget
- State health information: still higher than what we currently have, we are going to continue into Round II because it is still non-binding and we can opt out, we just have to let them know by March 15
- We do a 10% health insurance increases that is not being put back on the employee

Member Kirstin Cook moved **Member** Julia Perkins seconded the motion to approve the FY18 Operational Budget as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED. 5-0**

Early Retirement Incentive Program

Mrs. Cheryl Elliott presented the Early Retirement Incentive Program that will be offered to employees and answered any questions from the Board.

Member Victoria Hulick moved **Member** Kirstin Cook seconded the motion to approve the Early Retirement Incentive Program as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED. 5-0**

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ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

Personnel Report

Member Kirstin Cook moved **Member** Victoria Hulick seconded the motion to approve the Personnel Report as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED. 5-0**

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Member Victoria Hulick moved **Member** Kirstin Cook seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED. 5-0**

POLICY UPDATES AND REVISIONS:

Policy GBM-R and Forms Procedure for Grievances

Mrs. Elliott presented the new State approved regulation.

Policy IKGA – Exam Exemption for second reading

Mrs. Tuck presented the changes for the second reading.

Member Victoria Hulick moved **Member** Kirstin Cook seconded the motion to approve Policy IKGA for second reading as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED. 5-0**

BOARD MEMBER REQUEST AND COMMENTS:

Mrs. Cook – Would like to have a discussion on looking into possibly contracting with a new legal service group.

Mrs. Hulick – Wanted to thank all the schools that hosted something for School Board Appreciation Week it was very much appreciated.

Mrs. Carr – Looking forward to visiting some of the schools and seeing the implementation of our new reading program.

Mr. Alvin Wilson, Signature on file

School Board Chairman

Mrs. Tracey Reutt, Signature on file

School Board Clerk

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MOTION: Victoria Hulick

SECOND: Kirstin Cook

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Isle of Wight county School Board has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, §2.2-3712 D of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this School Board That such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Isle of Wight County School Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered.

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

UNANIMOUS VOTE

Mrs. Tracey Reutt, Signature on file

Isle of Wight County School Board

March 9, 2017

Date