

BRISTOL VIRGINIA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR SESSION
October 4, 2021

The Bristol Virginia School Board met in Regular Session on Monday, October 4, 2021, in the Bristol Virginia Public Schools Administration Office, 280 Lee Street, Bristol, Virginia. A quorum was present with the following Board members in attendance:

Mr. R. Tyrone Foster, Chair
Mr. Steve Fletcher
Mr. Randy White

Mr. Randy Alvis, Vice Chair
Mr. Frank Goodpasture

Also present were:

Dr. Keith Perrigan, Superintendent
Mrs. Tammy Jones, Clerk

Mr. Gary Ritchie, Assistant Superintendent
Mrs. Stephanie Austin, Deputy Clerk

Mr. Tyrone Foster, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He welcomed all in attendance and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Foster asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Mr. Randy White so moved. Mr. Frank Goodpasture seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Foster addressed Item 2 (A) Bearcat Elite – Landon Lee – PGA Junior League National Championship. Dr. Perrigan and School Board Members recognized Landon Lee and presented him with a Bearcat Elite certificate.

Mr. Foster addressed Item 2(B) School Board Student Representative Report. Caleigh Hampton and Elijah Williams presented a PowerPoint to include the following topics:

- Bearcat Bridge Advisory Meeting
- After School Culinary Arts Program
- Virginia High Picture Day
- The Nurse Aide Program
- Bearcat Automotive
- Student Advisory/Equity Committees and VHS Election
- Dress Code

Mr. Foster thanked Caleigh and Elijah for their report.

Mr. Foster addressed Item 2(C) Superintendent's Report. Dr. Perrigan and Board Members recognized the following faculty/staff members for their efforts and dedication in making Bristol Virginia Public Schools a "School Division of Innovation" – Mr. Gary Ritchie, Dr. Jan Huffman, Mr. Ronnie Collins, Ms. Buffie Jones, Ms. Jamie Moser, Ms. Sarah Gunn, Ms. Lisa Dean, Ms. Adriana Cox, and Mr. Will Scheuer.

No one addressed the Board during Public Comment.

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Mr. Foster asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Randy Alvis so moved. Mr. Steve Fletcher seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- A. Approval of Payment of Bills
- B. Approval of Minutes – Regular Session – September 13, 2021
- C. Recognition of Disability History and Awareness Month – National School Lunch Week

Mr. Foster addressed Item 5(A) Approval of Contract Purchase Greater than \$50,000.00- Special Education Bus. Mr. Randy Alvis moved approval. Mr. Steve Fletcher seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Foster addressed Item 6(A) Discussion of Emory and Henry Special Education Add-On Endorsement. Dr. de Nobriga, Director of Special Education, noted there is a nationwide shortage of teachers with Special Education endorsement. She noted Emory and Henry was currently offering Special Education courses that are required for an add-on endorsement. The classes are offered Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evening after 4:00 p.m. She added the classes together total around \$3,200.00. Dr. Perrigan suggested offering a stipend for those who participate.

Mr. Foster addressed Item 6(B) Discussion of Progress for New Elementary School. Dr. Perrigan presented a PowerPoint outlining the additional progress to include – What’s Our Why, How Did We Get Here, Approvals, Stonewall Jackson, Savings Comparison, Payment Estimates, Potential for State/Federal Revenue, Potential Scenarios, Design Changes, Next Steps, and the Big Picture.

Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia, Mr. Randy Alvis moved that the Board convene a Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following specific matters as authorized by Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) the Code of Virginia, Specifically,

- A. Discussion of Certain Personnel and Recommendation for Employment.

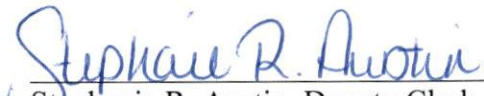
Mr. Randy White seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

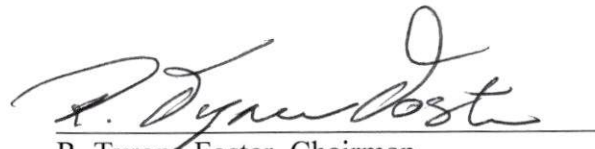
The Board went into Closed Session at 7:05 p.m.

Back in Public Session at 7:40 p.m., Mr. Randy Alvis moved Certification of Closed Meeting as such: the Bristol Virginia School Board certifies that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting and only such public matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were considered. Mr. Steve Fletcher seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Steve Fletcher moved Approval of Attachment (A) as recommended. Mr. Frank Goodpasture seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Foster adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.


Stephanie R. Austin, Deputy Clerk


R. Tyrone Foster, Chairman