

BRISTOL VIRGINIA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR SESSION
November 6, 2017

The Bristol Virginia School Board met in Regular Session on Monday, November 6, 2017, in the Bristol Virginia Public Schools Administration Office, 220 Lee Street, Bristol, Virginia. A quorum was present with the following Board members in attendance:

Mr. Randy Alvis, Chair
Mr. Steve Fletcher

Mr. Tyrone Foster, Vice Chair
Mr. Ronald Cameron

Also present were:

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

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

Absent:

Mr. Randall White

Among those in the audience for the Regular Session were:

Ms. Tracey Mercier
Dr. Linda Brittle
Ms. Leigh Stewart
Ms. Kathy Musick

Mr. Jason Matlock
Ms. Karen Cross
Ms. Melissa Warren

Others were present, but failed to sign in.

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

Mr. Alvis asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Mr. Ronald Cameron so moved. Mr. Tyrone Foster seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Alvis addressed Item 1(C) Bearcat Elite – Elementary Guidance Counselors. Dr. Perrigan recognized the Elementary Guidance Counselors for their role in the Career Fair. Dr. Perrigan and Board Members presented Counselors with a certificate.

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

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- A. Approval of Minutes – October 2, 2017
- B. Approval of Payment of Bills

Dr. Perrigan presented the Superintendent's Report, which included the following:

- He highlighted the upcoming VSBA Annual Convention and noted he looked forward to learning with Board Members.
- He noted he attended the Fall VASS Conference two weeks ago and the financial outlook that was presented was not promising. However, by next meeting, we will know our new LCI, which will have a huge impact on our Budget.
- He highlighted Mr. Rader and Mr. Matlock are planning Legislative Events for this month.
- He noted the Christmas Parade is on December 7 and invited Board Members to participate.
- He noted the hope was to have a final phone call this week prior to the unsolicited bid being received on the new construction. He noted a rubric has been developed to be used in choosing the final property. The rubric includes:

LOCATION

- Accessibility
 - ◆ Can we provide safe access to the property?
- Size and Shape
- Topography/Soil/Environment
 - ◆ Is property suited for building?
- Central Location
- Public Acceptance

STUDENT IMPACT

- Safety
 - ◆ Crime Rate
 - ◆ Safe Walking Areas
 - ◆ Within 1,500 Feet of Railroad Tracks
 - ◆ Close to High Decibel Noise Sources
 - ◆ In Flood Plain
- Green Space
- Transportation Time

COST

- Availability
- Affordability
 - ◆ Price of Land
 - ◆ Availability of Utilities and Infrastructure
- He noted we also have a new program that will help answer some location questions. He presented two slides.

Mr. Alvis thanked Dr. Perrigan for a great report.

Mr. Alvis addressed Item 3(B) School Board Student Representative Report. Dalton and Abigail reported Van Pelt Elementary has brought back the "AR Reading". They also highlighted the new cafeteria at Van Pelt, which they feel will be beneficial for the students.

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Van Pelt also has a new program, Van Pelt Watch Dogs. This program gives fathers the opportunity to volunteer. They also highlighted the laptops have been a big hit with the elementary students.

Mr. Alvis thanked Abigail and Fletcher for a great report.

Ms. Kathy Musick, Virginia Professional Educators addressed the board during Public Comment. Ms. Musick encouraged educators to apply for the scholarships available through VPE. She noted November 15 was the deadline to apply and the process was simple and could be done online.

Mr. Alvis addressed Item 4(A) Approval of 2017-2018 School Board Budget Revision #4. Mr. Ronald Cameron moved approval. Mr. Steve Fletcher seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Alvis addressed Item 5(A) Discussion of File Storage. Dr. Perrigan highlighted the two attachments for Board Members to view, which gave detail in regards to pricing, etc.; He noted that one company had pulled out due to no interest in what we are looking for as a school system. He noted the other company has given three references, in which he intends to check. He noted he had worked to get clarification on the questions from the previous board meeting and covered each in detail. He noted his recommendation would be to go with the Scan on Demand. He noted he felt this was the most economical way, as it is \$6.00 per request. He also noted a decision needed to be made in the near future.

Mr. Alvis addressed Item 5(B) Discussion of Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Gary Ritchie, Assistant Superintendent, presented an attachment, in which listed members of the Comprehensive Planning Committee. He noted he felt it would be beneficial to have one or two Board Members to serve as well. Mr. Ronald Cameron and Mr. Steve Fletcher volunteered to do so. Mr. Ritchie noted he felt this was a very diverse group. He highlighted the first meeting would be held November 30 at 4 p.m. He noted they would be revising the current plan and utilizing the Annual Plans from each school to do so. Dr. Perrigan noted his hope was to have the Comprehensive Plan in place and approved by the Board by the end of the current school year.

Mr. Alvis addressed Item 5(C) Discussion of VSBA Policy IKFD. Dr. Perrigan noted the best input thus far on Policy IKFD had come from the Student Advisory Committee. He recommended that the policy be brought back as an action item at the December meeting.

Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia, Mr. Foster 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) per the Code of Virginia, Specifically,

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

Mr. Cameron seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

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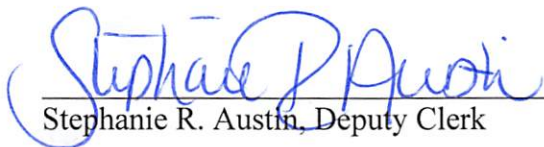
The Board went into Closed Session at 7:02 p.m.

Back in Public Session at 7:53 p.m., Mr. Foster 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. Fletcher seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. White moved Approval of Attachment (A) as recommended. Mr. Foster seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

No items were discussed during the Old and New Business portion of the meeting.

Mr. Alvis adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.


Stephanie R. Austin, Deputy Clerk


Randy Alvis, Chairman