BRISTOL VIRGINIA SCHOOL BOARD STUDENT DISCIPLINARY HEARING/REGULAR SESSION December 2, 2019

The Bristol Virginia School Board met in a Regular Session and conducted Student Disciplinary Hearings on Monday, December 2, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. A quorum was present with the following Board members in attendance:

Mr. Steve Fletcher Chair

Mr. Ronald Cameron, Vice Chair

Mr. Randall White

Mr. Randy Alvis

Mr. Tyrone Foster

Also present were:

Dr. Keith Perrigan, Superintendent

Mrs. Tammy Jones, Clerk

Mr. Gary Ritchie, Assistant Superintendent

Mrs. Stephanie Austin, Deputy Clerk

Mr. Steve Fletcher, Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 5:02 p.m. and asked for a motion to convene a Closed Session.

Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A))of the Code of Virginia, Mr. Ronald Cameron moved that the Board convene a closed meeting for the purpose of discussing the following specific matters: Discussion or Consideration of Admission or Disciplinary Matters Concerning a Student or Students of Any State Institution of Higher Education or Any State School System as authorized by Section 2.2-3711(A)(2) of the Code of Virginia, Specifically: Consideration of Recommendation for Expulsion: Students #03SH1920 and #04SH1920. Mr. Randy Alvis seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

The Board went into Closed Session at 5:03 p.m.

Back in Public Session at 6:02 p.m., Mr. Cameron 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. Alvis seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Mr. Fletcher called the Regular Session to order at 6:05p.m. and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Fletcher asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Randy White so moved. Mr. Tyrone Foster seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Alvis addressed Item 2 (A) Bearcat Elite – Perfect 600 Scores on SOL Testing and Mr. Randy White. . Dr. Perrigan along with Board Members recognized students who scored a perfect 600

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on 2018-2019 SOL tests and Mr. Randy White for 25 years of service to Bristol Virginia Public Schools. Everyone was presented with a Bearcat Elite certificate.

Dr. Keith Perrigan, Superintendent, addressed Item 3(E) Superintendent's Report.

Dr. Perrigan noted The Coalition of Small and Rural schools (COSARS) just celebrated their 1-year anniversary as an official organization and as the Virginia Affiliate for the NREA. He noted he has been asked to attend the last 2019 meeting of the Joint House/Senate Education committees as the torch is passed on to Democratic leadership. He also highlighted he has been invited by the Legal Aid Justice Center to attend their "Fund Our Schools" campaign kickoff in Richmond. Dr. Perrigan noted the Legislative Listening meeting was very successful last week. He added some of the top priorities that were discussed included increasing overall education funding, removing the support cap, Teacher Pay/Retention, School Construction Funding, Enrollment Loss, and increasing the At-Risk Add On. He noted Bristol was very well represented at the VSBA Annual Conference 2 weeks ago. He highlighted Virginia Middle School student Jacob Roe, the Virginia High Chorale, Madison Harosky, Mr. Randy White, and Mr. Tyrone Foster all represented us well. He noted there would be numerous holiday events coming up in our schools in the next couple of weeks. He noted he hoped everyone would have time to see some of our extraordinary students thrive by displaying their musical talents. He added the first being the Virginia High School Christmas Concert that will be held next Saturday. Dr. Perrigan noted Highland View will be featured on the Today Show on Tuesday, December 3. He noted the feature focused on Highland View and their relationship with No Kid Hungry. He added more exciting Elementary School news, Washington-Lee has been recognized as a Title 1 National School of Distinction. He added only one other school from Virginia earned that title. He noted this verifies that Washington-Lee is one of the top 100 schools in the United States of America. He added we will officially make the announcement on December 13, at 2:30 p.m. He noted Congressman Griffith and Delegate O'Quinn have both confirmed their attendance.

Mr. Fletcher thanked Dr. Perrigan for his report.

Mr. Fletcher addressed Item 2 (C) Presentation of Auditors. Mr. Scott Wickman with Robinson, Farmer and Cox presented the Audit Report. He noted a great job as done by Ms. Jones and the Finance Department. He added he was very happy with our District.

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

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- Approval of Payment of Bills
- Approval of Minutes Regular Session November 4, 2019
- Approval of Contract Purchase Greater than \$50,000.00

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Mr. Fletcher addressed Item 4(A) Approval of 2019-2020 School Board Budget Revision #5. Mr. Foster moved approval of 2019-2020 School Board Budget Revision #5. Mr. White seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Fletcher addressed Item 4(B) Approval of New Course Offering – Nurse Aide. Mr. Foster moved approval. Mr. White seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Randy Alvis addressed Item 5 (A) Discussion of Division Safety Audit. Mr. Gary Ritchie, Assistant Superintendent presented Board Members with a copy of the Audit and explained in detail. He also added Police Chief John Austin, Fire Chief Mike Armstrong, and Mr. Bill Buckles was a part of the Division Safety Audit.

Mr. Randy Alvis addressed Item 5 (B) Presentation of Building Strong Brains – Bristol Family Promise. Ms. Brandi Peters presented a PowerPoint presentation outlining the importance of Building Strong Brains in our youth.

Mr. Randy Alvis addresses Item 5 (C) Discussion of Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Gary Ritchie, Assistant Superintendent, presented a Power Point, outlining in detail the progress that has been made and also areas that require more attention.

No one address the Board during the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia, Mr. Fletcher moved that the Board convene a Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following specific matters:

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

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

The Board went into Closed Session at 8:25 p.m.

Back in Public Session at 9:15 p.m., Mr. Fletcher 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. Foster seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Steve Fletcher moved the following regarding Student #01SH1819:

- o Not permitted on school grounds or any school functions.
- o Be expelled out of school through December 2020.
- o Participate in online classes in Biology and Algebra 1 the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.
- o Participate in Administrative Homebound services for second semester, 2020.

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o Receive Alternative Educational Placement at the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Before the student returns, they will need to seek counseling with a letter stating they are not a danger to their self or others.

Mr. Foster seconded the motion as amended, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. White moved Approval of Attachment A (attached to minutes). Mr. Foster seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Stephanie Austin, Deputy Clerk

Steve Fletcher, Chair