

**BRISTOL VIRGINIA SCHOOL BOARD**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**May 04, 2020**

The Bristol Virginia School Board met in Regular Session on Monday, May 04, 2020, in the Bristol Virginia Public Schools Administration Office, 220 Lee Street, Bristol, Virginia. The meeting was live streamed due to COVID-19. A quorum was present with the following Board members in attendance:

Mr. Steve Fletcher, Chair  
Mr. Randy Alvis  
Mr. Randall White

Mr. Ronald Cameron, Vice Chair  
Mr. Tyrone Foster

Also present were:

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

Mr. Gary Ritchie, Assistant Superintendent

Absent:

Mrs. Stephanie Austin, Deputy Clerk

Mr. Steve Fletcher, Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. He opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Fletcher asked for a motion to approve the Agenda with the following amendments; 4B Approval to Move Regular Session Board Meeting to June 8, 2020, 4C Approval Granting Superintendent Permission of Hiring Authority between May 04, 2020 – June 8, 2020. Mr. Randy White so moved. Mr. Tyrone Foster seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Perrigan presented the Superintendent's Report. Dr. Perrigan noted it sounds very odd to be telling you how busy our staff is considering our current circumstances. However, providing resources for remote learning, ensuring students are fed, and taking care of normal issues has presented a whole new mindset about how we go about doing our work. He noted he forward to a return to normalcy but in a way that incorporates all that we have learned over the last few weeks to make our division better than it has ever been! He noted Gary is leading a new committee that will provide guidance for our return to school. Three options we are considering are:

1. Normal return
2. Remote return
3. Hybrid – portions of students return on different days, the remaining instruction would be remote

He noted this is Teacher Appreciation Week. As you know, we are blessed with some of the best teachers anyone could ever ask for. It is also School Cafeteria week and School Nurse Day later in the week. We have already celebrated School Counselor and Principal week. We have extraordinary employees in all our departments. I hope all our teachers know just how appreciated they are by our community.

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He added you probably saw the statistics for the number of meals we have provided to our community since March 17. In case you didn't, we have now served over 56,000 meals since schools have been closed. Additionally, our Length of School Term Waiver has been approved and is attached.

He noted the following updates on the facility issues we have been having:

Vestibule and Restroom project – COVID-19 has affected material acquisition. We anticipate all being complete by June 1.

Washington Lee sink hole – The hole has been filled and gutter system improved. Core drilling and crack monitoring will occur this week.

VHS Pool – The leak has stopped right below a seam in the pool between the shallow and deep end. The seal will be repaired, and the pool repainted. Another option would be to put a 15-year warrantied liner in the pool. That would guarantee there are no leaks and would come complete with lanes embedded in the liner. This is a much more costly option but one that would be considered if our finances were in better shape. The roof is scheduled to be replaced next year and the atrium is in really poor condition. The sliding glass has not been functional in several years and there are concerns about the integrity of the entire system. It is estimated that the roof and atrium could be replaced for \$350,000. The roof is scheduled to occur next year, according to the Capital Improvement Plan, but the pool is empty now. He added he would love to hear your thoughts.

Mr. Fletcher thanked Dr. Perrigan for his report.

Mr. Fletcher asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Randy Alvis made a motion to approve the consent Agenda. Mr. Ronald Cameron seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- A. Approval of Payment of Bills
- B. Approval of 2020-2021 Special Education Annual Plan

Mr. Fletcher addressed Item 4(A) Approval to Closure of School Construction Bank Account. Mr. Randy Alvis moved approval. Mr. Randy White seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Fletcher addressed Item 4(B) Approval to Move Regular Session Board Meeting from June 1 to June 8, 2020. Mr. Randy White moved approval. Mr. Randy Alvis seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Fletcher addressed Item 4(C) Approval of Granting Superintendent Permission of Hiring Authority between May 04, 2020 – June 8, 2020. Mr. Ronald Cameron moved approval. Mr. Randy Alvis seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Fletcher addressed Item 5(A) Discussion of 2020-2021 School Board Budget. Dr. Perrigan noted that with the recent changes due to COVID-19 the budget would look a little different. He explained in detail and opened the floor for any questions.

Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) 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 as authorized by Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) per the Code of Virginia, Specifically,

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

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

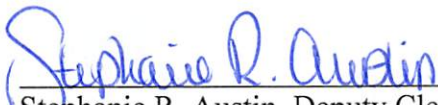
The Board went into Closed Session at 6:58 p.m.

Back in Public Session at 7:33 p.m., Mr. Ronald 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. Randy Alvis seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

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

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

Mr. Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

  
Stephanie R. Austin, Deputy Clerk

  
Steve Fletcher, Chairman