

WESTMORELAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

MONTROSS, VIRGINIA

BOARD MINUTES

December 16, 2019

The Westmoreland County School Board met in regular session on Monday, December 16, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at the Gerald B. Roane Center for Excellence Building, Montross, Virginia.

Present:

Mr. Ralph Fallin, Chair

Dr. Daniel Wallace, Vice Chair

Ms. Iris Lane, Member

Mrs. Sandra Ramsey, Member (Arrived at 4:40 p.m.)

Mrs. Patricia Lewis, Member (Arrived at 5:05 p.m.)

Others Present:

Dr. Michael Perry, Superintendent

Ms. Cathy Rice, Deputy Superintendent

Mrs. Tina Withers, Clerk of the Board

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Fallin, Chair.

A moment of silence was observed and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Mr. Fallin read the Westmoreland County Public Schools' mission statement and vision statement to the public.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

Voice Vote: 3 Ayes/0 Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

Public Comments

None

Consent Agenda

Dr. Wallace made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Ms. Lane seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: 3 Ayes/0 Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

- A. Minutes – November 18, 2019 regular meeting
- B. Finance Report (Appendix I)

Delegations/Presentations

Nominations for Character Trait

Ms. Rice informed the board that “Honesty” was the character trait for the month of November. Ms. Rice stated each school selected a student to be recognized. The students who received certificates for “Honesty” were: De’Vahree Brooks - Cople Elementary School, Germaine Yerby - Washington District Elementary School, Laylah Clarke - Montross Middle School, and Tresean Sorrell - Washington and Lee High School.

Attendance Recognition

Dr. Perry presented the Student Attendance Report for the month of November to the Board. Cople Elementary School had the best student attendance for the month of November. (Appendix II)

Dr. Perry presented the Teacher Attendance Report for the month of November to the Board. Montross Middle School had the highest teacher attendance for the month of November. (Appendix III)

School Bus Driver Recognition

Dr. Perry informed the Board that the school bus driver recognition award for the month of November is "Clean Bus Award". Dr. Perry shared certificates of recognition for Harold Dickerson, Earl Cox, Albert Henry, and Bruce Leggit.

Recognition of Child Nutrition Program

Dr. Perry presented the Dorothy S. McAuliffe School Nutrition Award to Mrs. Hazel Hickman. The award celebrates Virginia school divisions that have gone above and beyond by operating all available federal child nutrition programs and achieving significant participation in the school breakfast program. Westmoreland County Schools placed as a third time winner of the award.

Recognition of Patricia Lewis

Mr. Fallin presented a plaque of recognition to Mrs. Patricia Lewis. Mrs. Lewis is completing her term of four years on the school board. The Board and Dr. Perry thanked Mrs. Lewis for her service on the Board and expressed their appreciation for her contributions to the education of the students.

Action Items

Approval of Bills

Dr. Wallace made a motion to approve the monthly expenditures in the amount of \$334,875.31 and food service expenditures in the amount of \$60,754.89 as presented. Ms. Lane seconded the motion. (Appendix IV)

Voice Vote: 3 Ayes/0 Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

School Board Meeting Calendar

Mr. Fallin reviewed the January 2020-December 2020 School Board Meeting Calendar with the Board.

Ms. Lane made a motion to approve the School Board Meeting Calendar for 2020 as presented. Dr. Wallace seconded the motion. (Appendix V)

Voice Vote: 3 Ayes/0 Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

Resolution

Resolution for Appropriation of Funds from Additional Revenue Received from the VTSS (Virginia Tiered Systems of Support) Grant.

On **MOTION** of Dr. Wallace, seconded by Mrs. Lane, motion was carried to approve the following resolution for appropriation of funds from additional revenue received from the VTSS Grant:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Westmoreland County School Board requests of the County Board of Supervisors to add to the 2019-2020 School Board Budget the following amount of funds in the following category:

Grant Category	\$28,659.18
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WHEREAS, the money requested to be added to the Westmoreland County School Board Budget will come from a State Grant called VTSS (Virginia Tiered Systems of Support).

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Voice Vote: 4 Ayes/0 Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Mrs. Ramsey, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

(Appendix VI)

School Gifts

Dr. Perry acknowledged individuals that gave donations/gifts to the school division.

A motion was made in accordance with school board policy KH, to accept the gifts/donations as presented.

Dr. Wallace made a motion to approve the donations given to the school division. Ms. Lane seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: 4 Ayes/0 Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Mrs. Ramsey, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

Informational Items

Discipline Report

Dr. Perry provided the discipline report to the Board. (Appendix VII)

VSBA Legislative Positions

Mr. Fallin discussed the following legislative position proposals with the Board:

1.12 Attendance Requirements For Accreditation (New)

5.11 Scheduling of Elections (Amend)

10.17 Mandatory Reporting of Misdemeanors and Status Offenses (New)

Facility Update

Dr. Perry presented the facility update to the Board. Dr. Perry discussed the new high school project with the Board. Dr. Perry discussed the Washington District Elementary solar project. (Appendix VIII)

Upcoming Events

Dr. Perry reminded the Board of upcoming events.

Dr. Perry and the Board discussed the VSBA Master Board Program.

School Board Member Comments

Mrs. Lewis thanked everyone for their support while she has been on the Board. She stated it has been a wonderful experience.

The Board thanked everyone for their gifts and wished everyone a happy holiday season. The Board stated they are looking forward to the new year.

Adjournment

There being no further business a motion was made by Dr. Wallace, seconded by Ms. Lane and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.

Clerk

Chairman