

WESTMORELAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

MONTROSS, VIRGINIA

BOARD MINUTES

July 27, 2020

The Westmoreland County School Board held a Special Called Board Meeting on Monday, July 27, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in Montross, Virginia.

Present:

Mr. Ralph Fallin, Chair

Dr. Daniel Wallace, Vice Chair via Electronic Communications at 5:07 p.m.

Ms. Iris Lane, Member via Electronic Communications

Mrs. Sandra Ramsey, Member

Mrs. Katherine Lewis, Member

Board members participated electronically as established by the Governor's Executive Orders due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Others Present:

Dr. Michael Perry, Superintendent

Ms. Cathy Rice, Deputy Superintendent

Mrs. Tina Withers, Clerk of the Board

Mr. Chris Evans, Director of Technology

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

Mrs. Ramsey made a motion that the Board convene into closed session as provided in Section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of discussing personnel matters dealing with specific personnel of the Westmoreland County School system pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. Board member Mrs. Lewis seconded the motion.

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

At 6:00 p.m. the meeting was reconvened into public meeting on the motion by Board member Mrs. Ramsey, and seconded by Board member Mrs. Lewis.

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

The motion for the approval of the following certification was made by Board member Mrs. Ramsey, and seconded by Board member Mrs. Lewis.

WHEREAS, the Westmoreland County School Board convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712(D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting which this certification applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered.

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

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

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

Action Items

Approval of Personnel Appointments

Ms. Lane made a motion to approve personnel appointments as presented. Mrs. Lewis seconded the motion.

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

Teacher Lunch Options

Dr. Perry made a recommendation to change the adult/faculty lunch fees to \$4.00 with a la carte remaining an option.

Ms. Lane made a motion to approve the increase of the adult/faculty lunch fee to \$4.00. as recommended. Dr. Wallace seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: 5 Ayes/0 Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Mrs. Ramsey, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Mrs. Lewis, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

Date Change for August Town Hall Meeting

Dr. Perry made a recommendation to change the date of the August town hall meeting.

Mrs. Lewis made a motion to move the August town hall meeting to January. Ms. Lane seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: 5 Ayes/0 Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Mrs. Ramsey, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Mrs. Lewis, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

Open Public Comments

None

Information Items

Return To Learn

Dr. Perry and Ms. Rice reviewed in detail the Return To Learn and Health Plan with the Board. Dr. Perry stated that every plan is based on the recommended CDC guidelines which are frequently reviewed for any changes. Instruction delivery, health and safety precautions and support for family and staff was highlighted.

CARES Act ESSER Fund Application

Ms. Rice reviewed the CARES (Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security) Act ESSER (Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief) application with the Board. Ms. Rice highlighted how the funds will be utilized.

School Board Member Comments

Board member comments reflected appreciation to staff for their continued efforts and flexibility during these challenging times.

Adjournment

There being no further business a motion was made by Mrs. Ramsey, seconded by Mrs. Lewis and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.

Clerk

Chairman