

Minutes School Board Meeting Greene County Schools WMHS Performing Arts Center June 8, 2022

Members Present: Mr. Todd Sansom, Chair; Mr. Jason Tooley, Member; Mr. Brooks Taylor, Member; Ms. Rebecca Roach, Member; Dr. Andrea Whitmarsh, Superintendent; Ms. Rhonda Houchens, Clerk; Ms. Jennifer Walker, Deputy Clerk.

Member(s) of The Greene County Board of Supervisors Present: Mr. Steve Bowman, Liaison

Mr. Sansom called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the William Monroe High School Digital Media Classroom.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to move into closed session in accordance with Virginia Code sections 2.2-3711(A)(1) to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Tooley seconded. All Ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to reconvene in open session in the WMHS PAC. Mr. Tooley seconded. All Ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Sansom called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. in the WMHS Performing Arts Center.

Mr. Sansom stated: The Board will certify by roll call vote that to the best of each member's knowledge only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and identified in the motion to convene in the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered. Mr. Tooley, Mr. Taylor, Ms. Roach and Mr. Sansom, all certified. Mr. Tooley stated Ms. Mack was not in attendance.

Mr. Sansom requested a motion to approve the agenda.

Ms. Roach made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Tooley seconded. No discussion. All Ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Sansom invited everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Sansom stated there was no closed meeting action.

Mr. Sansom requested a motion to approve the consent agenda:

11-1250 May 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes
11-1251 May 3, 2022 Expenditures
11-1252 May 5, 2022 Expenditures
11-1253 May 13, 2022 Expenditures
11-1254 May 20, 2022 Expenditures
11-1255 May 24, 2022 Expenditures
11-1256 Monthly Finance Report
11-1257 Enrollment
11-1258 Staff to be Approved List
11-1259 Reappointment of Support Staff
11-1260 Supplemental Appropriation FY 2022

Mr. Tooley made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ms. Roach seconded. No discussion. Mr. Sansom requested a roll call vote:

Mr. Tooley – Aye Mr. Taylor – Aye Ms. Roach - Aye Mr. Sansom - Aye

Mr. Sansom stated it was time for first public comment on matters not listed below on agenda. Mr. Sansom opened the floor for public comment.

There were no public comments at this time so Mr. Sansom closed public comment.

Dr. Whitmarsh presented information/action item #11-1261, Authorization for Superintendent to Hire. Dr. Whitmarsh shared Greene County Public Schools consistently hires during the summer months and there is no July School Board Meeting scheduled so in order to assure the division is properly staffed I am requesting you allow the Superintendent to approve the new hires until August 10th which is the next board meeting. Mr. Sansom requested a motion. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve information/action item #11-1261 to Authorize the Superintendent to Hire as presented. Ms. Roach seconded. Mr. Sansom welcomed discussion. Mr. Tooley stated he would like to be notified for principals, assistant principals and supervisors. Mr. Taylor stated he didn't think it was a bad idea. Mr. Tooley amended the motion to approve information/action item #11-1261 authorization for superintendent to hire as presented with the exception of principals and assistant principals. Mr. Sansom asked Mr. Taylor if he was ok with amended motion. Mr. Taylor stated yes. Mr. Taylor seconded.

Mr. Sansom requested a roll call vote:

Mr. Tooley – Aye Mr. Taylor – Aye Ms. Roach - Aye Mr. Sansom - Aye

Dr. Whitmarsh presented information/action item #11-1262, Consolidated Federal Application. Dr. Whitmarsh reviewed the Federal Programs purpose, programmatic considerations and financial breakdown for Title I Part A, Title II Part A, Title III Part A, Title IV Part A. Dr. Whitmarsh stated the application is included in the packet. Ms. Roach made a motion to approve information/action item #11-1262, Consolidated Federal Application as presented. Mr. Tooley seconded. No discussion. Mr. Sansom requested roll call vote:

Mr. Tooley – Aye Mr. Taylor – Aye Ms. Roach - Aye Mr. Sansom – Aye

Dr. Pursel presented information item #11-1263, May 2022 VSBA Policy Updates. Dr. Pursel reviewed the summary changes. Dr. Pursel highlighted the following policies: BDDG, CLA, EB, EBB, EFB, GCL, GCN, IGAE/IGAF, IGAG, IGAH, IGAJ, and IJD.

Dr. Whitmarsh presented information item #11-1264, Strategic Plan. Dr. Whitmarsh shared the draft of Impact 2027 which is our guide map for the next five years. She shared the plan development, stakeholders there were included, vision, mission, core values, culture of excellence, safe, supportive and caring schools, resource stewardship, connections and partnerships with our community, exceptional workforce, and foundation guide post.

Mr. Sansom offered public comment. There were no public comments at this time so Mr. Sansom closed public comment.

Dr. Whitmarsh presented the Superintendent's Report item #11-1265, Superintendent's Update. Dr. Whitmarsh shared 216 graduated in the class of 2022, and she gave an overview of degrees, programs completed and scholarship totals. Dr. Whitmarsh congratulated Abigail Lawhorne, RES School Counselor - Educator of the Year and Jennifer Meade Nurse at WMMS - Support Staff of the year. She also shared they each received a \$500 check donated by Marianne Shepard at Edward Jones. Dr. Whitmarsh congratulated the baseball and softball teams for making it to the state tournament but unfortunately, they were defeated last night in the quarterfinals. Summer school begins June 13th and runs through June 30th we are expecting 162 students. We have students working in our buildings over the summer helping to prepare for next year. Many teachers are participating in conference and trainings to prepare for next school year. Dr. Whitmarsh stated the General Assembly has presented a budget and the governor has 7 days to respond while they are in session.

Mr. Sansom welcomed board member comments.

Ms. Roach stated she looks forward to digital mapping coming to the schools. She congratulated the 216 graduates and their accomplishments. She stated she looked forward working with the Impact 2027 Plan. She stated staff retention was very important and it looks like a great plan.

Mr. Taylor echoed Ms. Roach's comments. He also stated this past Monday & Tuesday the Parks & Rec held a basketball camp it was well attended. He thanked Parks and Rec. staff, Mr. Maynard and the basketball team that helped. He thanked everyone for coming out.

Mr. Tooley echoed previous board members comments. Mr. Tooley spoke about the security systems and made some suggestions. He thanked everyone for coming out tonight.

Mr. Sansom stated he enjoyed graduation and he really liked the fact that we announced what each graduates' future plans were. He thanked everyone for their hard work. He congratulated the spring sports groups. Mr. Sansom stated they will be working on school security plans. He thanked everyone that sent emails and thank you notes regarding the bonuses. He thanked staff that signed contracts and were planning to return next year.

Mr. Sansom requested a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Tooley seconded. No discussion. All Ayes, motion carried.

Meeting ended at 8:57 pm.

Chair

Khanda M. Houchans