

School Board Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Leah Paladino, Chair; Harry Daniel, Vice-Chair; Rodney Kibler, Member; Sharon Mack, Member; Jason Collier, Member; Andrea Whitmarsh, Superintendent; Shanna Deane, Clerk

MEMBERS PRESENT BY TELEPHONE: N/A

MEMBERS ABSENT: N/A

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: Jim Frydl

The closed session was called to order at 6:15 pm in the school board office conference room.

Dr. Kibler made a motion to reconvene into open session in the County Meeting Room at 7:10 p.m.; Mr. Collier seconded, motion carried.

Board certified by roll call vote that only such matters identified in the motion were heard or discussed. All certified.

There was no closed meeting action.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Daniel seconded. No discussion. All ayes, motion carried.

Dr. Whitmarsh and Mrs. Paladino presented recognition certificates to the students of the Ruckersville Elementary Destination Imagination Team named "Classified Cryptids". These students will be going to the Global Finals in Knoxville, Tennessee May 24-27, 2017.

Dr. Whitmarsh and Mrs. Paladino presented a recognition certificate to Marianne Shepard for her continued support of our educators and division leaders.

Dr. Whitmarsh and Mrs. Paladino presented a recognition certificate to Andy Dojack for winning two distinguished awards, *The Brunn Creativity Award for Geography Education* and *The K-12 Distinguished Teaching Award*, from the National Council for Geographic Education.

Dr. Whitmarsh and Mrs. Paladino presented recognition certificates to the nominees of Educator and Support Staff of the Year.

Mrs. Paladino stated public comments could be made on matters not below on the agenda.

Mr. Jim Frydl from the Board of Supervisors commented on the recognition that took place at the Board of Supervisors meeting on May 9th for Mrs. Ethel Giuseppe. Mr. Frydl recognized Dr. Whitmarsh and Ms. Santus, and three students who participate in classes at the Piedmont Virginia Community College Eugene Giuseppe Center for giving a brief speech.

Mrs. Paladino closed public comments.

Dr. Whitmarsh introduced Bryce Powell and Bob Moje of VMDO to present information item #11-311, Facilities Update. Mr. Moje began the presentation by reviewing the overall master plan of the Facilities

Study and the various meetings that have taken place to this point in the study. Mr. Moje turned the presentation over to Mr. Powell. Mr. Powell presented an overview presentation of the schematic designs for the phase 1 projects from the Facilities Study. Mr. Powell emphasized that the schematic design concepts have evolved from civil and geo-technical engineering studies information, and ongoing input meetings with educational, maintenance, transportation and food service staff in the schools.

Mr. Powell reviewed the site master plans at Ruckersville Elementary and the Stanardsville Campus focusing on the safety and circulation of traffic and buses. Mr. Powell introduced Mr. Bill Wuensch, of EPR, P.C. (Engineering & Planning Resources) who presented a high level summary of the Stanardsville Campus existing traffic condition study findings and recommendations.

Following the traffic study presentation, Mr. Powell showed the various schematic designs of the high and middle schools. Each of the designs showed increased capacity, reduction of congestion, and flexible and adaptable space. Mr. Powell showed how the schematic concepts maximize the space of the high and middle schools.

Following the schematic designs of the two schools, Mr. Powell reviewed the next steps of the Facilities Study process. Mr. Powell stated the next steps are to:

- Review and reconcile cost estimates, which will take place at the June 14th school board meeting
- Teacher presentation
- Program reconciliation and design development
- Preliminary storm water and planning meetings with the County
- Understanding and planning for phased construction

Mrs. Paladino inquired about a round-about option to assist with traffic and the funding for it. Mr. Moje responded that the school board would need to have a conversation with VDOT regarding a round-about.

The school board commented that the presentation was beautiful and impressive. The school board was impressed with how VDMO utilized the campus space of the middle and high school to enable a rich learning environment.

Ms. Brown presented information item #11-312, School Nutrition Meal prices for school year 2017-2018. Ms. Brown stated the paid lunch equity calculations as required by federal guidelines indicate the need to increase school lunch prices by \$.10 for students K-12. Ms. Brown stated elementary lunch cost will increase to \$2.60 and middle/high school lunch costs will increase to \$2.90. Ms. Brown stated the cost for breakfast will remain the same at \$1.40 for students and \$1.70 for adults. Ms. Brown state the cost of an adult lunch will increase to \$3.75 for all schools. Ms. Brown requested the meal price agenda item be an action item for the next school board meeting.

Dr. Whitmarsh introduce Roy Dye of STAR (Stanardsville Area Revitalization) to present action item #11-313, Stanardsville Downtown Revitalization Sign Placement. Mr. Dye stated the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) awarded the Town of Stanardsville a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) of \$996,790 for a downtown revitalization project. Mr. Dye stated the DHCD requires the Town to erect a 4' x 8' sign identifying the Downtown Revitalization Project that will stand during a two-year period of the grant. Mr. Dye stated he and Mayor Lowe have concluded that the best location for the project sign would be on the school property west of Monroe Drive, as shown on the map in the school board packet. Mr. Dye stated the sign would be mounted back-to-back on 4' x 4' posts. Mr. Dye stated the installation and maintenance would be the responsibility of the Town, including trimming grass around the posts and weeding. Mr. Dye stated the Town will also arrange for Miss Utility inspection and marking of any underground lines and will acquire any permits required by the County. Mr. Dye stated the sign would be dismantled and removed by the Town at the end of the two-year period, which will be in mid-April 2019. Mr. Dye stated the DHCD requires the

project sign to be erected within 30 days of the contract signing. Mr. Dye stated the picture of the proposed location of the sign and a picture of the sign itself is included in the school board packet. Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the approximate location of the Downtown Revitalization Project sign as indicated on the location map. Dr. Kibler seconded. There was no discussion. All ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Sparks presented action item #11-314, Local Annual Plan for CTE Perkins Funds. Mr. Sparks stated the Perkins application was presented at the April 12, 2017 school board meeting as an information item. Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 Local Annual Plan for CTE Perkins Funds application as presented. Mr. Collier seconded. There was no discussion. All ayes, motion carried.

Ms. Mitchem presented action item #11-315, 2017-2018 Special Education Annual Plan/Part B Flow-Through Application. Ms. Mitchem stated the application was presented as an information item at the April 12, 2017 school board meeting. Dr. Kibler made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 Special Education Annual Plan/Part B Flow-Through Application as presented. Mr. Daniel seconded. There was no discussion. All ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Huber presented action item #11-316, February 2017 VSBA Policy Updates. Mr. Huber stated the policy updates were presented at the April 12, 2017 school board meeting and there have been no changes since the initial presentation. Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the February 2017 VSBA Policy Updates as presented. Mr. Collier seconded. There was no discussion. All ayes, motion carried.

Dr. Whitmarsh presented item #11-317, FY2018 Budget Update. Dr. Whitmarsh stated the Board of Supervisors held a public hearing on April 25, 2017. Dr. Whitmarsh stated the Board of Supervisors will vote on the budget on May 23, 2017 and the School Board will vote on their budget May 24, 2017.

Dr. Whitmarsh presented item #11-318, Superintendent's Update. Dr. Whitmarsh commented that she is so excited on the progress of the facilities study. Dr. Whitmarsh thanked Ms. Spencer for all of her hard work with the facilities study.

Dr. Whitmarsh announced that Teacher Appreciation week was celebrated the week of May 1st through May 5th.

Dr. Whitmarsh congratulated the nominees for Educator and Support Staff of the Year. Dr. Whitmarsh announced that Anne Holton made a surprise visit to Nathanael Greene Primary School. Dr. Whitmarsh stated that the Department of Education was making surprise visits to various schools across the state. Dr. Whitmarsh stated Ms. Holton visited a little over an hour.

Dr. Whitmarsh stated SOLs are taking place and end of year events are taking place.

Dr. Whitmarsh announced that the BRVGS Senior Exposition will be held on Friday, May 12th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Orange County School Board office.

Dr. Whitmarsh announced that twenty William Monroe Seniors will graduate with an associate's degree on Friday, May 12th.

Mrs. Mack thanked all the teachers for all they do. Mrs. Mack commented that teachers are valued all year. Mrs. Mack commented that the facilities presentation was exciting and a lot to take in.

Mr. Daniel commented that it was great to see the Ruckersville Elementary School Destination Imagination team. Mr. Daniel thanked Ms. Shepard for supporting the Educator and Support Staff of the Year. Mr. Daniel congratulated Mr. Dojack for his awards.

Mr. Collier commented that he was very appreciative of what the staff is doing. Mr. Collier echoed Mr. Daniel's comments.

Mrs. Paladino commented echoed other school board member comments regarding appreciating educators. Mrs. Paladino thanked teachers and administrators who helped with the crayon initiative.

Dr. Kibler echoed Mr. Collier's comments. Dr. Kibler thanked everyone for another great year.

Mrs. Paladino adjourned the meeting.

Chairman

Clerk