## School Board Meeting Minutes June 12, 2019

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

MEMBERS PRESENT BY TELEPHONE: N/A

**MEMBERS ABSENT: N/A** 

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: N/A** 

The closed session was called to order at 6:00 pm in the school board office conference room.

Dr. Kibler made a motion to reconvene into open session in the County Meeting Room at 7:00 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.

Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the religious exemption #0169 as presented to the board during closed meeting action. Mr. Collier seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Mrs. Paladino made the following motion: (1) I move that, in recognition of Dr. Whitmarsh's outstanding performance and with her concurrence, the board terminate her current appointment and employment effective June 30, 2019, and concurrently appoint and employ Dr. Whitmarsh for a new term offour (4) years as Division Superintendent beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2023; (2) that the board direct the Chair to execute the contract on behalf of the board; and (3) that the board waive the required thirty (30) days advance notice to all members and agree to vote on the renegotiated Superintendent's contract during this meeting, as provided for under Virginia Code section 22. 1-60(D)." Mr. Daniel asked for the Board to certify by roll call vote on the motion. All certified.

Dr. Kibler made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Collier seconded. No discussion. All ayes, motion carried.

Dr. Whitmarsh and Mr. Daniel recognized the WMHS Spring Student athletes. Each athlete was given a certificate as Mr. Daniel read a brief statement regarding their accomplishments individually and as a team.

Mr. Daniel stated public comments could be made on matters not below on the agenda.

Mr. Daniel closed public comments.

Dr. Kyle Pursel presented action item#11-700, 2019-2020 School Nutrition Meal Plans. Although not required, the Paid Lunch Equity tool was completed, and due to rising food and labor costs, there is a need to increase lunch prices for school year 2019-20. Adult lunch prices will remain the same. Dr. Kibler made a motion to approve the 2019-2020 School Nutrition Meal Plans as presented. Mr. Collier seconded. No discussion. All ayes, motion carried.

Ms. Kristie Spencer presented action item#11-701, VPSA Technology Grant Resolution. The VPSA Technology grant has been part of the School budget for several years. The current grant amount is \$180,000 per year and it is a significant funding source to support our schools' technology infrastructure for testing and instruction. The grant does require a 20% local match which has always been satisfied from existing budgeted technology expenditures. This is a continuing annual grant and an annual resolution to accept the funding is a procedural component of the grant acceptance. Ms. Spencer recommended authorize participation in the Virginia Public School Authority (VPSA) Educational Technology program for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Greene County Public Schools acknowledges that this program requires a 20% local match which is satisfied by qualifying purchases from eligible funding sources. Dr. Kibler made a motion to approve the VPSA Technology Grant Resolution as presented. Mr. Collier seconded. No discussion. All ayes, motion carried.

Ms. Kristie Spencer presented action item#11-702, Adoption Agreement for Participation in VRS Voluntary Group Long Term Care Insurance Program. The Virginia Retirement System (VRS) is offering the opportunity to adopt an employee-paid long-term care insurance program through Genworth Life Insurance Co. By electing to participate in the program, eligible actively-at-work employees under age 66 may apply for coverage with reduced medical underwriting during a special fall enrollment, September 16 to October 11. Mr. Collier asked if this will replace anything we currently have in place. Ms. Spencer said that this is a supplement to our existing options. Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the Adoption Agreement for Participation in VRS Voluntary Group Long Term Care Insurance Program as presented. Dr. Kibler seconded. No discussion. All ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Huber presented information item # 11-705, May 2019 VSBA Policy Updates.

Dr. Walton presented action item #11-703, Federal Consolidated Application 2019-2020. Mr. Huber stated the federal application is an annual process that the school division goes through to obtain federal funds. Mr. Huber stated the federal consolidated application contains Title I, Part A, Title II, Part A and Title III. Mr. Huber explained the funding is currently based on 2016-2017 amounts, whereas, actual amounts will be received in early fall. Mr. Huber explained what each grant amount would be used for in the 2017-2018 school year. Mr. Huber requested approval of the application to be sent to the Virginia Department of Education by the July 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. Mrs. Mack made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 federal consolidated application as presented. Dr. Kibler seconded. No discussion. All ayes, motion carried.

Dr. Whitmarsh introduced Ms. Spencer to present information about the retiring debt. Ms. Spencer presented the retiring debt structure to the year 2029. Ms. Spencer presented documentation that showed 25 and 30 year loans based on 3%, 4%, and 5%. Ms. Spencer contacted the Virginia School Public Authority to check on bond rates. Ms. Spencer stated for spring 2017 the bond rate is currently 2.93%. Ms. Spencer stated the next rate will be released in the fall.

Ms. Spencer stated some of the storm water mitigation costs could be offset through the Culpeper Conservation fund. Ms. Spencer stated this organization is interested in helping fund some of the bioretention, meadow grass and possibly some of the gardens going behind the kitchens. Ms. Spencer stated Stephanie Golon of the Planning Office is going to assist in coordinating between the Culpeper Conservation organization and the school division.

Dr. Whitmarsh presented item #11-340, Superintendent's Update. Dr. Whitmarsh commented that it has been great to see all of the recognitions over the past few months involving students, staff and community

organizations. Dr. Whitmarsh announced that HVAC received an \$8,000 grant from BAMA works which is an organization in Charlottesville.

Dr. Whitmarsh thanked Mr. Powell of VMDO for all of his work with the facilities project.

Dr. Whitmarsh stated it was a fantastic end to the 2016-2017 school year. Dr. Whitmarsh stated there were 231 graduates with over \$2 million in scholarships. Administration participated in the Leadership Retreat on June 7, 2017.

Dr. Whitmarsh announced that the Summer Enrichment Academy started the week of June 12, 2017. Dr. Whitmarsh announced that Summer School is starting on June 19<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Whitmarsh reminded school board members that there is no July meeting.

Mrs. Mack congratulated all those who were recognized. Mrs. Mack hoped that everyone enjoyed their summer.

Mr. Collier had no comments.

Mr. Daniel congratulated Samantha Brunelle for bringing home the gold medal for U16 USA Basketball. Mr. Daniel commented that he is excited about moving forward with the facilities project. Mr. Daniel commented that he enjoyed the presentations from the meeting.

Dr. Kibler commented that he was thankful for being a part of a safe community.

Mrs. Paladino thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. Mrs. Paladino thanked Mr. Frydl for attending the school board meeting. Mrs. Paladino commented that the process for the facilities project will be similar to the budget process between the school board and Board of Supervisors. Mrs. Paladino commented that she hopes everyone enjoys their summer.

Mrs. Paladino adjourned the meeting.

Chairman

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