

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
CITY OF CHESAPEAKE, VIRGINIA
July 10, 2017**

A meeting of the School Board of the City of Chesapeake, Virginia, was held on Monday, July 10, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the School Administration Building. Mr. C. Jeff Bunn, Chairman, presided.

Opening Ceremony

Mr. Bunn called the meeting to order. He welcomed visitors to the meeting and informed them that a printed agenda for the meeting was available.

The Board observed a moment of silence. Mrs. Christie New Craig led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Dr. Jean Infantino called the roll and recorded attendance as follows:

Present: Mr. Samuel L. Boone, Jr.
 Mrs. Colleen C. Leary
 Mr. Thomas L. Mercer, Sr.
 Mr. Harry A. Murphy
 Mrs. Christie New Craig
 Mr. Louis J. Tayon, Jr.
 Mr. Michael J. Woods
 Mrs. Victoria L. Proffitt, Vice Chairman
 Mr. C. Jeff Bunn, Chairman

Also present were Dr. James T. Roberts, Superintendent; Dr. Jacqueline C. Miller, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services; Dr. Anita B. James, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Ms. Victoria Lucente, Assistant Superintendent for Budget and Finance; Ms. J. Paige Stutz, Assistant Superintendent for Operations; Dr. Alan L. Vaughan, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and School Services; Dr. Jean A. Infantino, Executive Director of Administrative Services/Clerk of the Board; and Mr. Robert J. Barry, Attorney.

Adoption of the Agenda

Dr. Roberts said he had no amendments to the agenda and would not need a closed session. Mr. Murphy moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Mrs. New Craig seconded the motion, which passed with all members voting in favor of the motion.

Reorganization of the Board

Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman: At the first meeting of each new fiscal year, the Board, in accordance with state law, must reorganize. Mr. Bunn asked the Superintendent to assume the chair for the election of a Chairman and Vice Chairman. Dr. Roberts explained the process for the election of Chairman and Vice Chairman of the School Board.

Dr. Roberts asked for nominations for the office of Chairman of the School Board. Dr. Roberts stated that nominees would be voted on in order of nomination. Mrs. New Craig nominated Mr. Bunn. Mrs. Leary seconded the nomination. Mr. Mercer moved to close the nominations for Chairman of the School Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Murphy and carried with all members voting in favor of the motion. Dr. Roberts asked that those voting in favor of Mr. Bunn do so by a show of hands. Mr. Bunn was elected unanimously as Chairman of the School Board for 2017-2018.

The floor was opened for nominations for the office of Vice Chairman of the School Board. Mrs. Leary nominated Mrs. Proffitt. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Mercer. Mrs. Leary moved to close the nominations for Vice Chairman. The motion was seconded by Mr. Murphy and carried with all members voting in favor of the motion. Dr. Roberts asked that those voting in favor of Mrs. Proffitt do so by a show of hands. Mrs. Proffitt was elected unanimously as Vice Chairman of the School Board for 2017-2018.

Appointment of Clerk, Deputy Clerk, Agent, and Deputy Agent: Dr. Roberts stated the Board must also appoint a Clerk of the Board, Deputy Clerk of the Board, Agent, and Deputy Agent for the upcoming year. Dr. Roberts recommended the appointment of Dr. Infantino as Clerk of the Board, Mrs. Darlene Gorman as Deputy Clerk of the Board, Dr. Roberts as Fiscal Agent, and Ms. Lucente as Deputy Fiscal Agent. Mrs. Leary moved to accept the recommendations of the Superintendent. Mr. Murphy seconded the motion. The motion carried with all members voting in favor of the motion.

Establishment of Meeting Schedule for 2017-2018: Dr. Roberts presented a proposed schedule of Board meetings for 2017-2018. He mentioned the two proposed dates for the joint meetings with city council and noted that the first scheduled meeting normally is hosted by the school division. However, this year city council will host the first meeting. Mr. Bunn asked if there was any discussion. Mr. Mercer moved to adopt the proposed schedule as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Proffitt, and passed with all members voting in favor of the motion.

Clerk's Items

None

Hearing of Citizens

Isabella Jessee, Miss Virginia's Outstanding Teen 2017, Roanoke, Virginia, spoke to the Board regarding the importance of volunteerism.

Walter Rogers, 316 Flax Mill Way, Chesapeake, Virginia, spoke to the Board regarding the practice area conditions for the Great Bridge High School football team.

Dawn Bell, 404 Dorchester Court, Chesapeake, Virginia, spoke to the Board regarding the stadium and the portable conditions and the need to rezone the school division.

John Weaver, 405 Warrick Road, Chesapeake, Virginia, spoke to the Board about Great Bridge High School sports practice facilities and their Virginia High School League (VHSL) football classification. He is looking forward to the principal attending booster meetings.

Bryan Samona, 744 Remington Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia, spoke to the Board regarding the VHSL football classification for Great Bridge High School, the poor conditions of the practice facilities, and the necessity of sharing weight room facilities.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Consent Agenda

The chairman requested approval of the consent agenda. Items included the following:

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
- B. Authorization of Signatures in the Absence of the Superintendent
- C. School Board Discipline Letter
- D. Department of Human Resources – Personnel Report

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mrs. New Craig seconded the motion, which was passed with all members voting in favor of the motion.

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent made the following announcements:

1. Dr. Roberts reminded everyone that the next Board meeting will take place on August 14, 2017.

2. The Superintendent reminded everyone that Chesapeake Public Schools will be hosting the Excellence Through Equity Conference for Region II on August 1, 2017, at Western Branch High School.
3. The Superintendent informed the Board that the July School Improvement Report was provided in their packet.
4. The Superintendent informed the Board of a new section in the Budget Book called Dollars and Sense. This new section explains how the school division is funded and key facts that may be helpful with any future discussions regarding the budget.
5. Dr. Roberts congratulated the newly reelected Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Board Member Items

Mr. Boone shared that on August 8, 2017, there will be a Public Safety and Community Day from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Chesapeake Square Mall. He invited all students and their parents to attend and shared that he is the state police recruiter for Hampton Roads.

Mr. Bunn thanked the Board for their continued support and is looking forward to serving as the chair in the coming year.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Jean A. Infantino, Ed.D., Clerk

Mr. C. Jeff Bunn, Chairman