

Summary of the Board of Education Meeting July 17, 2008

Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Recognitions

- The Board presented resolutions of recognition to four school divisions recently receiving the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools Council on Accreditation & School Improvement (SACS CASI) District Accreditation
 - Hopewell Public Schools
 - King & Queen County Public Schools
 - Smyth County Public Schools
 - Manassas Park Public Schools

Public Comment

- Rena Berlin of the Virginia Holocaust Museum suggested additions to the History SOL.
- Steven Kruh, a Newport News middle school teacher, suggested additions to the History SOL.
- Dut Yai, a Sudanese refugee, suggested additions to the History SOL.
- Dr. Chalmers Hood of Woodbridge discussed ways to improve teacher qualifications and teaching methodology.
- Dr. Tom Nash of Albemarle County Public Schools and Virginia Council of Administrators of Special Education, discussed the proposed special education regulations.
- Byron Hinton of Stafford County Public Schools discussed the proposed Stafford Governor's Career & Technical Academy.
- K. Lynn Tadlock of the Claude Moore Foundation discussed the proposed Loudoun Governor's Career & Technical Academy.
- Melissa Timberlake discussed the GED program.
- Dr. Joe Halcaz discussed the GED program.
- Senator Philip Puckett's comments discussing the GED program were read.
- Rebecca Scott discussed the GED program.
- Stacy Wright discussed the GED program.

Consent Agenda

- Final review of financial report on Literary Fund
- Final review of recommendations concerning applications for Literary Fund loans
- Final review of recommendations concerning Literary Fund applications approved for release of fund or placement on a waiting list

Action and Discussion Items

Item	Action
First review of the Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) to promulgate <i>Regulations Governing the Operation of Private Day Schools for Students with Disabilities & Educational Programs Offered in Group Homes & Residential Facilities in the Commonwealth</i> and to repeal <i>Regulations Governing the Operation of Private Day Schools for Students with Disabilities</i> (8 VAC 20-670-10 et seq.)	The Board waived first review and authorized Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) staff to proceed with the requirements of the Administrative Process Act (APA) to promulgate regulations for a single regulation for the operation of education programs in private day schools for students with disabilities and children's residential facilities and group homes.

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<p>First review of NOIRA to repeal the <i>Rules Governing Fees & Charges</i> (8 VAC 20-370-10) and add new <i>Regulations Governing Fees & Charges</i> as a Section to the Proposed <i>Regulations Governing Local School Boards & School Divisions</i> (8 VAC 20-720-10 et seq.)</p>	<p>The Board waived first review and authorized VDOE staff to proceed with the requirements of the APA.</p>
<p>First review of proposed new <i>Regulations Governing Public Participation</i> (8VAC 20-11-10 et seq.) and repeal of <i>Public Participation Guidelines</i> (8VAC 20-10-10) under the fast track provisions of the APA</p>	<p>The Board accepted for first review the proposed fast-track Regulations Governing Public Participation and authorized VDOE staff to distribute the proposed text for a 45-day public review and comment period, and agreed to receive the <i>Regulations Governing Public Participation</i> for final review at the September 25, 2008, meeting.</p>
<p>Final review of proposed revised Curriculum Framework for 2008 <i>History & Social Science Standards of Learning</i></p>	<p>The Board adopted the proposed revised history and social science SOL curriculum framework and directed VDOE staff to post final document on the VDOE Web site.</p>
<p>Final review of pupil transportation specifications for school buses</p>	<p>The Board approved the proposed school bus specifications to become effective on October 1, 2008.</p>
<p>First review of a proposal to establish a Governor's Career & Technical Academy: Stafford Academy for Technology</p>	<p>The Board waived first review and approved the establishment of the Stafford Academy for Technology as a Governor's Career and Technical Academy to begin operation for the 2008-2009 school year and for startup funding through the National Governors Association's STEM Center Grant Program.</p>
<p>First review of a proposal to establish a Governor's Career & Technical Academy: The Loudoun Governor's Career & Technical Academy</p>	<p>The Board waived first review and approved the establishment the Loudoun Governor's Career & Technical Academy to begin operation for the 2008-2009 school year.</p>
<p>First review of nominations to fill vacancies on Board of Education advisory committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advisory Committee on Adult Education & Literacy • State Special Education Advisory Committee • Virginia Advisory Committee for Career & Technical Education • Virginia Advisory Committee for the Education of the Gifted, • Advisory Board on Teacher Education & Licensure 	<p>The Board waived first review and adopted the list of nominees recommended for appointment to Board of Education advisory committees for the July 2008- June 2011 term and directed VDOE staff to notify the nominees of their appointment to the advisory committees so that the committee meetings for the 2008-2009 school year may be set as soon as possible.</p>
<p>First review of proposed Board of Education meeting dates for the 2009 calendar year</p>	<p>The Board accepted for first review the proposed meeting dates for 2009 for final adoption at the September 25, 2008, meeting.</p>

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Reports

- Accepted a report from the State Special Education Advisory Committee concerning proposed *Regulations Governing Special Education Programs for Children with Disabilities in Virginia*
- Accepted a report from the Virginia Advisory Committee for the Education of the Gifted on the proposed *Regulations Governing Educational Services for Gifted Students* (8 VAC 20-40-30 et seq.)

Discussion of Current Issues by Board of Education Members and Superintendent of Public Instruction

- Andrew Rotherham discussed public comments made about the GED program.

Executive Session

After returning from Executive Session, the Board voted to:

- Revoke the license of Penny Hornsby Clements
- Revoke the license of Pamela Yvette Hoffler-Riddick (Dr. Ella Ward recused herself from this case)
- Revoke the license of Robert John Karl
- Revoke the license of Peter John Pandazides
- Revoke the license of Oscar Guadalupe Villarreal
- Revoke the license of James Stuart Williams, Jr.
- Revoke the license of Michael Anthony Williams
- Revoke the license of Jeffrey Duane Wilson
- Deny the issuance of a license to David Ray Reed until special conditions are met.

Adjournment

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