

## Highlights of the Board of Education Meeting March 26, 2003

### Resolutions and Recognitions

- Presentation of the Leadership in Arts Instruction Award to Dr. E. Wayne Harris, superintendent of Roanoke City Public Schools.

### Consent Agenda

- Final review of recommendations concerning applications for Literary Fund loans.
- Final review of recommendations concerning release of Literary Fund loans for placement on waiting list.
- Final review of financial report on Literary Fund.
- First review of nominations for appointment to the State Special Education Advisory Committee.
- First review of a request from Smyth County Public Schools concerning a Literary Fund loan (moved from regular agenda).

### Action and Discussion Items

Item	Action
First review of proposed revisions to Regulations Governing the Operation of Proprietary Schools and Issuing of Agent Permits (8 VAC 20-350-10 et seq.).	The board accepted the proposed revisions for first review and approved the submission of the proposed revisions for public comment in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Processes Act.
Final review of K-3 history and social science textbooks and instructional materials for state adoption.	The board approved the textbooks and instructional materials.
Final review of the Virginia cut score for the ParaPro Assessment for Paraprofessionals.	The board approved the proposed cut score.
First review of resolution of the Advisory Board On Teacher Education and Licensure (ABTEL) on reading assessment.	The board accepted the resolution for first review.
First review of revised Science Standards of Learning Curriculum Framework.	The board accepted the revised curriculum framework for first review.
First review of Persistently Dangerous Schools Identification Process and Criteria as required by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.	The board accepted the proposed process and criteria for first review.
First review of revisions to the Consolidated State Accountability Workbook under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.	The board accepted the revisions for first review.
First review of locally selected or developed English language proficiency assessments to satisfy the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.	The board waived first review and approved the assessments on final review.

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First review of nominations for appointment to the Advisory Committee on Adult Education and Literacy.	The board waived first review and approved the nominations on final review.
First review of proposed changes to Board of Education Approved Courses to Satisfy Graduation Requirements for History and Social Sciences for the Standard and Advanced Studies Diplomas.	The board accepted the proposed changes for first review.
First review of Suicide Prevention Guidelines for Public Schools in Virginia.	The board waived first review and approved the guidelines on final review.
First review of Curriculum Guidelines for Child Abuse Recognition and Intervention Training.	The board waived first review and approved the curriculum guidelines on final review.
First review of the Board of Education Educational Technology Plan for Virginia: 2003-2009.	The board accepted the plan for first review.
First review of recommendations from the Accountability Advisory Committee regarding alternative accreditation plans for special schools.	The board accepted the recommendations for first review.

## Reports

- Career and Technical Education Statewide Annual Performance Report.
- Report on Stanford Achievement Test Series Ninth Edition (Stanford 9) 2002 Fall Results.

## Public Comment

There was no public comment.

## Discussion of Current Issues

Board of Education President Mark C. Christie proposed the following resolution, which was adopted unanimously:

### RESOLUTION OF THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION

#### *Supporting Our Troops and Their Families in Virginia*

*Whereas*, tens of thousands of military families live in the Commonwealth of Virginia, with many children of military families enrolled in Virginia public schools, and

*Whereas*, many fathers and mothers in these Virginia military families are now serving in Iraq and the Persian Gulf, where they face danger and hardships as they perform the duties they have been asked to undertake,

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*Now, therefore, be it resolved, that:*

(1) The Virginia Board of Education expresses our strong support and deep gratitude both to the men and women of our armed forces for their courage, service and sacrifice and to the many Virginia-based loved ones of our military, including especially the children of military parents enrolled in Virginia public schools, for their courage, service and sacrifice during this time, and

(2) This resolution shall be communicated to each local school division in Virginia with the request that similar support be expressed to all children of military families in our public schools, and this resolution shall also be communicated to all appropriate military family-support agencies representing Virginia-based military families.

Adopted unanimously this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 2003.

**Adjournment**

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