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9:00 a.m. FULL BOARD CONVENES

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes of the September 26, 2007, Meeting of the Board

Public Comment

Consent Agenda


B. Final Review of Recommendations Concerning Applications for Literary Fund Loans

C. Final Review of Recommendations Concerning Literary Fund Applications Approved for Release of Funds or Placement on a Waiting List

D. First Review of Proposed Funding Distributions for Local Project Discovery Programs and Delegation of Authority Request

Action/Discussion on Board of Education Regulations

E. First Review of the Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) to Revise the Regulations Governing Pupil Transportation (8 VAC 20-70)

Action/Discussion Items

F. Final Review of Pupil Transportation Specifications for School Buses

G. Final Review of a Request for a Continued Rating of Conditionally Accredited from Sussex County Public Schools for Annie B. Jackson and Ellen W. Chambliss Elementary Schools
Action/Discussion Items (continued)

H. First Review of the Annual Report for State-Funded Remedial Programs

I. First Review of Proposed Process for Initiating a Governor’s Career and Technical Academy

J. First Review of Study of High School Dropout and Graduation Rates in the Commonwealth (SJR 329)

K. First Review of Proposed Revised History and Social Science Standards of Learning

L. First Review of Proposed Revised Driver Education Standards of Learning

M. First Review of Proposed Revised Health Education Standards of Learning

N. First Review of Proposed Revised Physical Education Standards of Learning

O. First Review of Proposed Curriculum Framework for Algebra, Functions, and Data Analysis Standards of Learning

P. First Review of a Request for Approval of an Additional Endorsement Program in Administration and Supervision preK-12 at Hampton University

Q. First Review of a Recommendation of the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure (ABTEL) to Grant Continuing Accreditation to the Teacher Education Program at Ferrum College

R. First Review of a Recommendation of the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure (ABTEL) to Approve the Sign Communication Proficiency Interview (SCPI) Assessment as an Option of Demonstrating Proficiency in American Sign Language and Establish a Proficiency Level for the Assessment

S. First Review of the Board of Education’s 2007 Annual Report on the Condition and Needs of Public Schools in Virginia

T. Final Review of Proposed Board of Education Meeting Dates for the 2008 Calendar Year

Reports

U. Annual Report from the Virginia Council for Private Education

DISCUSSION OF CURRENT ISSUES - by Board of Education Members and Superintendent of Public Instruction

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Education members will meet for dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Wednesday, October 17, 2007. Items for the Board agenda may be discussed informally at that dinner. No votes will be taken, and it is open to the public. The Board president reserves the right to change the times listed on this agenda depending upon the time constraints during the meeting.

GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

1. The Board of Education is pleased to receive public comment at each of its regular monthly meetings. In order to allow the Board sufficient time for its other business, the total time allotted to public comment will generally be limited to thirty (30) minutes. Individuals seeking to speak to the Board will be allotted three (3) minutes each.

2. Those wishing to speak to the Board should contact Dr. Margaret Roberts, Executive Assistant for Board Relations at (804) 225-2924. Normally, speakers will be scheduled in the order that their requests are received until the entire allotted time slot has been used. Where issues involving a variety of views are presented before the Board, the Board reserves the right to allocate the time available so as to insure that the Board hears from different points of view on any particular issue.

3. Speakers are urged to contact Dr. Roberts in advance of the meeting. Because of time limitations, those persons who have not previously registered to speak prior to the day of the Board meeting cannot be assured that they will have an opportunity to appear before the Board.

4. In order to make the limited time available most effective, speakers are urged to provide multiple written copies of their comments or other material amplifying their views.