

Summary of the Board of Education Meeting January 15, 2009

Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Presentations

- Announcement of the 2009 Virginia Index of Performance (VIP) awards for high-performing schools and school divisions in Virginia: Governor's Award for Educational Excellence and the Board of Education (BOE) Excellence Award, BOE Competence to Excellence Award and 2009 BOE Rising Star Award
- Presentation by Virginia's Secretary of Technology, Aneesh Chopra, on the "PlugGED In" initiative

Recognitions

- Presentation to school divisions recently receiving the SACS/CASI District Accreditation: Bland County Public Schools, Dickenson County Public Schools, Pulaski County Public Schools, Suffolk Public Schools, Tazewell County Public Schools and Washington County Public Schools

Public Comment

- Jim Williams, president of Petersburg Advocates for Children, spoke about Blandford Academy.
- Linwood Christian Jr., a Petersburg Public Schools parent, commented on SOL test score results.

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 revisions of industry, professional or trade association certification examinations and occupational competency assessments to meet the requirements for the BOE's career and technical education and advanced mathematics and technology seals and the student-selected verified credit.	The board waived first review and approved the revised list. School divisions will be notified of the updates through a Superintendent's Memorandum.
First review of timeline for the review of the <i>Science Standards of Learning</i>	The board waived first review and granted approval for VDOE to proceed with the revision process for the science standards.
First review of timeline for the review of the <i>English Standards of Learning</i>	The board waived first review and granted approval for VDOE to proceed with the revision process for the English standards.

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First review of a request for approval to appoint a part-time superintendent for Highland County Public Schools	The board waived first review and approved Highland County's request to appoint a part-time superintendent and to allow the appropriate administrative action to be taken by the school board.
First review of a request for approval to appoint a part-time superintendent for Colonial Beach Public Schools	The board waived first review and approved Colonial Beach's request to appoint a part-time superintendent and to allow the appropriate administrative action to be taken by the school board.
First review of proposed amendment to Virginia's Consolidated State Application Accountability Plan Under the <i>No Child Left Behind Act of 2001</i>	The board waived first review and approved the proposed amendment as permitted in the federal law and instructed VDOE staff to submit the document to the United States Department of Education as an amendment to Virginia's Consolidated State Application Accountability Workbook to meet the January 15, 2009, deadline.
First review of a recommendation of the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure (ABTEL) to grant approval to requests to add new endorsement programs at the University of Mary Washington and the University of Virginia	The board waived first review and approved ABTEL's recommendation to grant conditional approval for new endorsement programs at the requesting universities.
First review of a recommendation of ABTEL to grant full accreditation to the teacher education program at Saint Paul's College	The board waived first review and approved ABTEL's recommendation to grant full accreditation to the professional education program at the requesting college.

Reports

- Report on the Alternative Education Programs in Petersburg City Public Schools
- Report on the governor's proposed amendments to the 2008-2010 Biennial Budget (HB1600/SB850)

Executive Session

After returning from Executive Session, the board voted to:

- Approve the issuance of a provisional license to one individual
- Approve the issuance of licenses to two individuals
- Deny the renewal of the license of Hassan Dibich
- Revoke the license of Charles Lindberg Manyfield Jr.
- Revoke the license of John Byron Shulick

Adjournment

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