

Summary of the Board of Education Meeting November 17, 2009

Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Discussion with Governor Timothy M. Kaine

Approval of Minutes

Public Comment

- Dr. M. Rick Turner, branch president of the Albemarle-Charlottesville NAACP, discussed education equality.
- Sylvia Jones of the Petersburg office of JustChildren discussed the proposed Petersburg Public Schools' Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).
- Angela Williams, a parent from Petersburg, discussed the proposed Petersburg Public Schools' MOU.
- Susan Willis, former principal, discussed accreditation status of William Fleming High School in Roanoke.

Consent Agenda

- First review of the Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) for the Regulations Governing Career and Technical Education (8VAC 20-120-10 et seq.)
- Final review of the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure's (ABTEL) recommendation regarding the certification of Braille instructors in response to the Virginia General Assembly House Bill 2224

Action and Discussion Items

Item	Action
First review of the technical amendments to the <i>Regulations Governing Special Education Programs for Children with Disabilities in Virginia</i> (8 VAC 20-81-10 et seq.)	The Board of Education waived first review, adopted the proposed revisions and authorized Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) staff to complete the requirements under the Administrative Process Act (APA).
Final review of a revised memorandum of understanding (MOU) for Petersburg City Public Schools to include compliance with the <i>Regulations Establishing Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia</i> (SOA) 8 VAC 20-131-315	The board accepted the revised Petersburg Public Schools' MOU.
First review of the Annual Report for State-Funded Remedial Programs	The board waived first review and accepted the report for submission to the Governor and General Assembly as required by the <i>Code of Virginia</i> .
First review of a report on the investigation of a testing irregularity and resulting noncompliance with 8 VAC 20-131-30 of the Standards for Accrediting Schools (SOA) at William Fleming High School in Roanoke City for the 2008-2009 school year	The board waived first review and approved the accreditation of William Fleming High School.
Final review of proposed <i>Economics and Personal Finance Standards of Learning</i> (SOL)	The board adopted the proposed SOL directed VDOE staff to post the finalized document on the VDOE Web site.

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Final review of the Board of Education's 2009 Annual Report on the Condition and Needs of Public Schools in Virginia	The board adopted the 2009 annual report and instructed VDOE staff to make any necessary edits or technical updates and to submit the report to the governor and General Assembly as required by the Code of Virginia, as well as posting it on the VDOE Web site.
First review of proposed amendments to Virginia's Consolidated State Application Accountability Plan under the <i>No Child Left Behind Act of 2001</i>	The board accepted the proposed amendments for first review. The board is expected to have final review at the January 2010 board meeting in order to meet the US Department of Education's January 15, 2010, deadline for submission of amendments for review and approval
First review of ABTEL's recommended passing score for the <i>School Leaders Licensure Assessment (SLLA)</i>	The board accepted for first review the recommended pass scores. The board is expected to have final review at the January 2010 board meeting.

Reports

- The board accepted a report from the Charter School Application Review Committee on a proposed public charter school application.
- The board accepted the State Special Education Advisory Committee's annual report.
- The board accepted the Virginia Advisory Committee for Career and Technical Education's annual report.

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

- Board President Mark Emblidge recognized Kelvin Moore for his service on the board.
- Superintendent of Public Instruction Patricia I. Wright discussed Common Core standards and the Race to the Top grant opportunity.

Adjournment

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