

Summary of the Board of Education Meeting September 23, 2010

Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Public Comment

- Ronald and Jeannette Gerard discussed the proposed revised Science Standards of Learning (SOL).
- Dr. James Batterson of Suffolk discussed the proposed revised Science SOL.
- Dr. Juanita Jo Matkins, president of the Virginia Association of Science Teachers (VAST), discussed importance of daily science exposure to pre-kindergarten through elementary students.
- Angela Ciolfi of JustChildren discussed proposed revisions to school fees and accountability delays and achievement gaps.

Consent Agenda

- First review of a proposed amendment to the Licensure Regulations for School Personnel (8 VAC 20-22-10 et seq.) to conform to Senate Bill 715 passed by the 2010 General Assembly
- First review of a proposed amendment to the Regulations Governing the Review and Approval of Education Programs in Virginia (8 VAC 20-542-10 et seq.) to conform to Senate Bill 715 passed by the 2010 General Assembly
- First review of a Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) for proposed regulations governing nutritional guidelines for competitive foods sold in the public schools
- Final review of proposed Board of Education meeting dates for the 2011 calendar year

Action and Discussion Items

Item	Action
First review of final amendments to the Regulations Governing Local School Boards and School Divisions (8 VAC 20-720) and repeal of the Rules Governing Fees and Charges (8 VAC 20-370)	The board adopted the final amendments including technical adjustments to the Regulations Governing Local School Boards and School Divisions and authorized Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) staff to proceed with the requirements of the Administrative Process Act (APA).
Final review of amendments to the Regulations Governing Local School Boards and School Divisions (8 VAC 20-720) and repeal of the Regulations Governing Instructional Materials – Selection and Utilization by Local School Boards (8 VAC 20-170), Regulations Governing Textbook Adoption State Level (8 VAC 20-220), Regulations Governing Textbook Adoption Local Level (8 VAC 20-230), and Regulations Governing Textbook Fund Management and Handling on Local Level (8 VAC 20-270)	The board adopted the amendments to the Regulations Governing Local School Boards and School Divisions and authorized VDOE staff to proceed with the remaining steps required by the APA.
Final review of the proposed revisions to the Regulations Governing Pupil Transportation (8VAC20-70)	The board accepted for final review the proposed revised regulations and authorized VDOE staff to proceed with the remaining steps of the APA prior to the regulations becoming effective.
First review of proposed revised curriculum framework for 2010 English Standards of Learning (SOL)	The board accepted for first review the English curriculum framework and directed VDOE staff to receive public comment for at least 30 days. Additionally, VDOE staff – with assistance from English/reading educators from local school divisions – will continue to analyze the Common Core State Standards as compared to the SOL. A final report will be presented to the board concurrent with final action on the English curriculum framework.

First review of proposed revised curriculum framework for 2010 Science SOL	The board accepted for first review the proposed revised science curriculum framework and directed VDOE staff to receive public comment for at least 30 days before final review later in 2010.
First review of the annual measurable objectives in reading and mathematics from 2010-2011 through 2013-2014 for Virginia's Consolidated State Application Accountability Plan under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB)	The board accepted for first review the reading and mathematics annual proficiency targets from 2010-2011 through 2013-2014 for Virginia's NCLB Consolidated State Application Accountability Plan. The board is expected to consider the targets for final review at the October 28, 2010, meeting.
First review of multi-division online providers approval process: list of accreditation agencies	The board accepted for first review the list of accreditation programs and directed VDOE staff to accept public comments for a 30-day period. The board is expected to consider the providers list for final review at the October 28, 2010, meeting.
First review of nominations to fill vacancies on Board of Education advisory committees: Advisory Committee on Adult Education and Literacy; State Special Education Advisory Committee; Virginia Advisory Committee for Career and Technical Education; Virginia Advisory Committee for the Education of the Gifted; and the Advisory Board on Teacher Education and Licensure	The board waived first review, adopted the list of recommended advisory committee nominees and directed VDOE staff to notify the nominees.
First review of the Board of Education's Comprehensive Plan: 2011-2016	The board received the draft for first review and authorized VDOE staff to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incorporate agreed-upon revisions into the text; • As necessary, make editorial adjustments throughout the review period, • Disseminate the plan for a 45-day public comment period; • Summarize the public comment and incorporate comments and suggestions into the text, as agreed to by the board; and • Present the document for final review and adoption in early 2011.

Reports

The board received the following:

- Report on the memorandum of understanding (MOU) for Petersburg Public Schools including compliance with the Regulations Establishing Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia (SOA) 8 VAC 20-131-315
- Report on the MOU for Sussex County Public Schools in accordance with Regulations Establishing Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia (SOA) 8 VAC 20-131-315
- Report on the preliminary analysis of Virginia's 2009 mathematics SOL compared to the Common Core State Standards in mathematics

Executive Session

Adjournment

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