

## Summary of the Board of Education Meeting June 23, 2011

### Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance Approval of Minutes of the May 19, 2011, meeting

#### Recognitions

- The board presented a resolution of recognition to Victoria “Vickie” Hugate, a fifth-grade teacher at Chesterfield County’s Grange Hall Elementary, for her selection as Virginia’s recipient of the 2010 Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.
- The board welcomed students from the Hampton Roads Center of the George Washington University graduate program in Educational Leadership and Administration.
- The board presented a resolution of appreciation for outstanding service to outgoing board member David L. Johnson from July 2003 to June 2011.

#### Public Comment

- Crystal Shin from JustChildren discussed student discipline.
- David Anderson, representative for the Association of American Publishers, discussed new textbook review process.

#### Action and Discussion Items

Item	Action
Final review of a request for approval of an alternative accreditation plan from Albemarle County Public Schools for the Albemarle County Community Public Charter School	The board approved Albemarle County’s request for an alternative accreditation plan for the Albemarle County Community Public Charter School.
Final review of a request for continuation of alternative accreditation plans from Fairfax County Public Schools for the Kilmer and Key Centers	The board approved Fairfax Count’s request for continued alternative accreditation plans for Kilmer and Key Centers.
Final review of a request for approval of alternative accreditation plans from Fairfax County Public Schools for Mountain View High School, Woodson Adult High School and Bryant Alternative High School	The board approved Fairfax County’s request for alternative accreditation plans for the September 2011-September 2013 accreditation cycle for the following schools: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mountain View High School</li> <li>• Woodson Adult High School</li> <li>• Bryant Alternative High School.</li> </ul>
Final review of the proposed amendments to the Regulations Establishing Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia (8 VAC 20-131-5 et seq.) to conform to HB 1554 & SB 810, HB 1793, HB 2172 & SB 953 and HB 2494, passed by the 2011 General Assembly; and HB 566 & SB 630 passed by the 2010 General Assembly	The board approved the proposed technical changes to the regulations and directed Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) staff to proceed with the next steps of the regulatory process under the Administrative Process Act (APA) and to notify school divisions of the changes in the regulations when they become effective.

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<p>First review of proposed repeal of the Rules Governing Film Circulation from State and Regional Audiovisual Services, 8 VAC 20-300, under the fast track provisions of the Administrative Process Act</p>	<p>The board waived first review and approved the proposal to repeal this regulation. The timetable for further review will be governed by the requirements of the APA.</p>
<p>First review of proposed Regulations Governing Nutritional Guidelines for Competitive Foods Sold in the Public Schools</p>	<p>The board accepted the proposed regulations for first review and authorized VDOE staff to proceed under APA including executive review, 60-day public comment period for consideration. Additionally, the board authorized staff to make any minor technical or typographic changes that do not affect the substance of the proposed regulations. It is anticipated that staff will bring a second review version of the regulations to the September board meeting for consideration.</p>
<p>First review of a modified academic review process for high schools</p>	<p>The board accepted for first review the proposed modifications to the school-level academic review process guidelines for high schools that are deemed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accredited with Warning (in specific academic areas and/or in achievement of the minimum threshold for the graduation and completion index)</li> <li>• Provisionally Accredited – Graduation Rate</li> </ul> <p>Upon board approval, the guidelines for the school-level academic review process will be implemented for the 2011-2012 school year.</p>
<p>First review of a proposal to establish a governor’s science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) academy: Blue Ridge Crossroads Governor’s Academy for Technical Education</p>	<p>The board accepted the proposal to establish the Blue Ridge Crossroads Governor’s Academy for Technical Education for first review. The proposed beginning date for the academy is fall 2011.</p>
<p>First review of the proposed amendments to the Guidelines for Considering and Approving Requests for Pre-Labor Day Openings to comport with HB 1483 &amp; HN 1885 passed by the 2011 General Assembly</p>	<p>The board accepted the proposed guidelines for first review. The board is expected to consider this for final action at the July 28, 2011, meeting.</p>
<p>First review of proposed Guidelines for Local Textbook Approval</p>	<p>The board accepted the proposed guidelines for first review and directed VDOE staff to post the guidelines for a 30-day public comment period.</p>

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<p>First review of recommended cut scores for the Virginia Alternate Assessment Program (VAAP) for history and writing</p>	<p>The board waived first review and adopted the following VAAP cut scores so that the scores can be reported and that federal adequate yearly progress (AYP) can be calculated without delay:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History in Grades 3-5, Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-12: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 9 out of 16 for pass/proficient</li> <li>○ 15 out of 16 for pass/advanced</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Writing in Grade 5, Grade 8 and Grades 9-12: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 4 out of 8 for pass/proficient</li> <li>○ 7 out of 8 for pass/advanced</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The VAAP cut scores will be disseminated to school divisions via a Superintendent's Memorandum.</p>
<p>First review of nominations to fill vacancies on Board of Education Advisory Committees: Advisory Committee on Adult Education &amp; Literacy, State Special Education Advisory Committee, Virginia Advisory Committee for Career &amp; Technical Education, Virginia Advisory Committee for the Education of the Gifted and the Advisory Board on Teacher Education &amp; Licensure</p>	<p>The board waived first review and adopted the list of recommended nominees for appointment to advisory committees for the 2011-2014 term. In addition, the board directed VDOE staff to notify those on the list so that the committee meetings for the 2011-2012 school year may be set as soon as possible.</p>
<p>First review of proposed revised Guidelines and Standards of Learning for Family Life Education as required by the 2011 General Assembly</p>	<p>The board accepted for first review the revised Family Life Education curriculum guidelines. Once the guidelines are adopted, VDOE staff will make them available to school divisions and post the guidelines on the VDOE website.</p>

**Reports**

- The board accepted a report concerning the history and social science textbooks published by Five Ponds Press
- The board accepted a report regarding GED testing changes from the Advisory Committee on Adult Education and Literacy

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

- Rob Krupicka discussed new round of Race to the Top funding related to early childhood education.
- Krupicka discussed future educational assessments.
- Winsome Sears discussed federal requirements for testing limited-English proficiency students.

**Adjournment**

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