

# Summary of the Board of Education Business Meeting May 24, 2012

## Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

## Approval of Minutes of the April 25-26, 2012, meeting

### Resolutions

- The board recognized Scott County, Bath County and Richmond County public schools for receiving AdvancED/Southern Association of Colleges & Schools (SACS) District Accreditation.

### Public Comment

- Amanda Gibson, a Salem Public Schools teacher, discussed student assessments.
- Scott Habeeb, assistant principal at Salem High School, discussed student assessments.
- Sonnya Preston, business teacher at Andrew Lewis Middle School in Salem, discussed student assessments.
- Michelle Palleria, a fourth-grade teacher at G.W. Carver Elementary School in Salem, discussed student assessments.
- Alysia Burnette, a Salem parent, discussed student assessments.
- Linda Rowe, reading specialist & clinical faculty leader at South Salem Elementary School, discussed student assessments.
- Sarah Turner, a Monticello High School student in Albemarle County, discussed student assessments.
- Samantha Shifflett, a Monticello High School student, discussed student assessments.
- Reid Dickerson, a Monticello High School student, discussed student assessments.
- Nik Rector, a Monticello High School student, discussed student assessments.
- Kitty Boitnott, president of the Virginia Education Association, introduced incoming VEA president Meg Gruber and discussed Virginia's federal waiver request.
- Kathy Burtcher, a Henrico County parent, discussed the pre-Labor Day waiver request from Henrico County Public Schools.
- Tom Lisk of the Virginia Hospitality & Travel Association discussed the pre-Labor Day waiver request from Henrico County
- George Peyton, vice president of the Retail Merchants Association of Greater Richmond, discussed the pre-Labor Day waiver request from Henrico County.

### Items

Item	Action
Final review of a Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) of proposed amendments to the Regulations Establishing the Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia (8 VAC 20-131) to include Standards for the Accreditation of Public Virtual Schools, Pursuant to HB 1215 (2012)	The board approved the NOIRA.
First review of proposed amendments to the Regulations Governing Educational Services for Gifted Students (8 VAC 20-40-10 et seq.) to conform to HB 1295 and SB 679 passed by the 2012 General Assembly	The board accepted the proposed technical amendments for first review. Final action by the board is expected to be considered at the June 28, 2012, meeting.

<p>First review of an exempt regulatory action to the Regulations Establishing the Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia (8 VAC 20-131) to Conform to HB 96 (2012)</p>	<p>The board accepted the proposed amendment to the SOA for first review. Final review is scheduled for the June 28, 2012, meeting.</p>
<p>First review of emergency amendments to the Regulations Establishing the Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia (8 VAC 20-131) to conform to HB 1061 and SB 489 (2012) and a NNOIRA for permanent amendments to the regulations</p>	<p>The board accepted the proposed emergency amendments and NOIRA for first review. Final review is scheduled for the June 28, 2012, meeting.</p>
<p>First review of emergency amendments to revise the Regulations Governing Adult High School Programs (8 VAC 20-30) and to repeal the Regulations Governing the General Achievement Diploma (8 VAC 20-680) to conform to HB 1061 and SB 489 (2012), and the NOIRA for permanent amendments to the regulations</p>	<p>The board accepted the proposed emergency regulations and NOIRA for first review. Final review is scheduled for the June 28, 2012, meeting.</p>
<p>Final review of recommended cut scores for the Virginia Modified Achievement Standards Tests (VMAST) for grades 3-8 mathematics and Algebra I</p>	<p>The board adopted the following VMAST cut scores:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 9 out of 32 for fail/basic</li> <li>○ 22 out of 32 for pass/proficient</li> <li>○ 29 out of 32 for pass/advanced</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Grade 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 9 out of 40 for fail/basic</li> <li>○ 23 out of 40 for pass/proficient</li> <li>○ 36 out of 40 for pass/advanced</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Grade 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 13 out of 40 for fail/basic</li> <li>○ 28 out of 40 for pass/proficient</li> <li>○ 36 out of 40 for pass/advanced</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Grade 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 10 out of 40 for fail/basic</li> <li>○ 26 out of 40 for pass/proficient</li> <li>○ 36 out of 40 for pass/advanced</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Grade 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 11 out of 40 for fail/basic</li> <li>○ 26 out of 40 for pass/proficient</li> <li>○ 36 out of 40 for pass/advanced</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Grade 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 10 out of 40 for fail/basic</li> <li>○ 27 out of 40 for pass/proficient</li> <li>○ 36 out of 40 for pass/advanced</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Algebra I: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 24 out of 40 for pass/proficient</li> <li>○ 36 out of 40 for pass/advanced</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>This information will be disseminated to the school divisions via a Superintendent's Memorandum.</p>

Final review of a recommended cut score for the numeracy requirement of the Modified Standard Diploma on the grade 8 Standards of Learning mathematics test based on the 2009 mathematics standards	The board adopted a cut score of 25 out of 50 for the Modified Standard Diploma numeracy requirement. This information will be disseminated to the school divisions via a Superintendent's Memorandum.
Final review of revisions of industry, professional or trade association certification examinations and occupational competency assessments to meet the requirements for the Board of Education's Career & Technical Education and Advanced Mathematics & Technology seals and the student-selected verified credit	The board approved the revised list of examinations, assessments and licenses to meet the requirements for student-selected verified credit as well as the Board of Education's CTE diploma seal and the Advanced Mathematics and Technology seal. This information will be disseminated to the school divisions via a Superintendent's Memorandum.
Final review of a proposal from Fairfax County Public Schools to establish the New Commonwealth Governor's STEM Academy at Chantilly High School & Chantilly Academy	The board approved the proposal to establish a STEM academy at Chantilly High School & Chantilly Academy in Fairfax County. The proposed beginning date is fall 2013.
Final review of a proposal from Roanoke County Public Schools to establish the Governor's STEM Academy at the Burton Center for Arts & Technology	The board approved the proposal to establish a STEM academy at the Burton Center for Arts & Technology in Roanoke County. The proposed beginning date is fall 2012.
Final review of a proposal from Chesapeake City Public Schools to establish the Grassfield High School Governor's STEM Academy	The board approved the proposal to establish a STEM academy at Grassfield High School in Chesapeake. The proposed beginning date is fall of 2012.
First review of a proposal from New Kent County Public Schools to establish the Bridging Communities Regional Career & Technical Center	The board accepted for first review the proposal to establish a regional career & technical center in New Kent County pending funding approval by the General Assembly with a proposed beginning date of September 2012. Final action by the board is expected to be considered at the June 28, 2012, meeting.
First review of a proposal from New Kent County Public Schools to establish the Bridging Communities Governor's STEM Academy	The board accepted for first review the proposal to establish a STEM academy in New Kent County with a proposed beginning date of September 2012. Final action by the board is expected to be considered at the June 28, 2012, meeting.
First review of proposed changes to the Virginia charter school application process and application to conform to HB 1173 and SB 440 passed by the 2012 General Assembly	The board accepted for first review the recommended changes to the charter school application process and application effective July 1, 2012. Final action by the board is expected to be considered at the June 28, 2012, meeting.
First review of revised Guidelines for Distributing National Board Certification Incentive Awards	The board accepted the revised national board certification guidelines for first review. Final action by the board is expected to be considered at the June 28, 2012, meeting.
First review of the work plan for the review of the Standards of Quality (SOQ)	The board waived for first review and approved the work plan for the SOQ review.
First review of a request for approval of an innovative program opening prior to Labor Day from Henrico County Public Schools	The board accepted for first review Henrico County's request. Final action by the board is expected to be considered at a date to be determined by the board president.

<p>First review of revisions to Virginia's application for U.S. Department of Education (USED) flexibility from certain requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA)</p>	<p>The board waived first review and approved the flexibility application for submission to USED for final approval and authorized the superintendent of public instruction — in consultation with the board president — to make technical revisions and negotiate any additional substantive amendments to Virginia's application.</p>
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**Reports**

- Statewide Annual Performance Report for Career and Technical Education and the Virginia Community College System, as a Sub-recipient of Perkins Funds from the Department of Education
- Report of the Adult Education and Literacy Advisory Committee to the Virginia Board of Education on Upcoming Changes on the Content, Access, and Costs of the Tests of General Educational Development (GED)

**Adjournment**

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