

Summary of the Board of Education Business Meeting June 28, 2012

Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes of the May 24, 2012, meeting

Public Comment

- Brian Pace, director of Piedmont Governor's School for Mathematics, Science & Technology in Martinsville, discussed academic-year governor's schools.
- Stephen King, Virginia Coalition for Fine Arts Education, discussed General Assembly legislation related to health and physical education.
- Melissa Brichacek, Chesapeake 8th-grade physical science teacher and Region 2 director with the Virginia Association of Science Teachers (VAST), discussed VAST's efforts.

Consent Agenda

- Final 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)
- Final 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 Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) for permanent amendments to the regulations

Action Items

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| Final review of a proposed amendment 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 approved the amendment with changes as noted to the gifted students' regulations and directed VDOE staff to notify school divisions of the changes when they become final under the APA. |
| Final review of emergency amendments to the Regulations Establishing Standards for Accrediting Public Schools in Virginia (8 VAC 20-131) to conform to HB 1061 and SB 489 (2012) and a Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) for permanent amendments to the regulations | The board approved the emergency SOA amendments with changes as noted and the NOIRA for the permanent regulations. The timetable for further action will be governed by the APA. |
| Final review of a proposal from New Kent County to establish the Bridging Communities Regional Career and Technical Center | The board approved New Kent County's proposal to establish the Bridging Communities Regional Career and Technical Center with the understanding that additional state funding is subject to approval by the General Assembly. The proposed opening date is September 2012. |
| Final review of a proposal from New Kent County to Establish the Bridging Communities Governor's STEM Academy | The board approved New Kent County's proposal to establish Bridging Communities Governor's STEM Academy. The proposed opening date is September 2012. |
| Final review of revised Guidelines for Distributing National Board Certification Incentive Awards | The board approved the guidelines and directed VDOE staff to notify school divisions through a Superintendent's Memorandum. |
| Final 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 approved the recommended charter school application changes as amended to become effective July 1, 2012, and directed staff to post the new information on the .VDOE website. |
| First review of the consensus report from the Board of Education Charter School Committee on the proposed Loudoun Math and IT Academy charter school application | The board accepted for first review the committee's recommendation that the Loudoun County charter school application meets all applicable board criteria. Final review is expected at the July 26, 2012, board meeting. |

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| First review of revisions to the Board of Education criteria and application for establishing a college partnership laboratory school to conform to SB 475, HB 765 and HB 577 passed by the 2012 General Assembly | The board accepted for first review the recommended revisions to application process for college partnership laboratory schools. Final review is expected at the July 26, 2012, board meeting. |
| First review of proposed revisions to the Board of Education criteria for character education | The board accepted for first review the proposed criteria revisions for character education programs. Final review is expected at the July 26, 2012, board meeting. |
| First review of recommended cut scores for the Virginia Alternate Assessment Program (VAAP) for mathematics | The board waived first review and adopted the following VAAP cut scores: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grades 3-5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 8 out of 16 for pass/proficient ○ 14 out of 16 for pass/advanced • Grades 6-8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 8 out of 16 for pass/proficient ○ 14 out of 16 for pass/advanced • High school (end-of-course) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 8 out of 16 for pass/proficient, ○ 14 out of 16 for pass/advanced The board also directed VDOE staff to notify school divisions through a Superintendent's Memorandum. |
| First review of nominations to fill vacancies on Board of Education advisory committees: Advisory Committee on Adult Education & Literacy, State Special Education Advisory Committee, Virginia Advisory Committee for Career & 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 and adopted the recommended list of nominees for advisory committee appointments for the 2012-2015 term. The board also directed VDOE staff to notify the nominees of their appointments and to set committee meeting dates for the 2012-2013 school year. |

Reports

The board accepted the following reports:

- Report on the Status of Virginia's Application for US Department of Education Flexibility from Certain Requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA)
- Annual Report of the Virginia Advisory Committee for Career and Technical Education

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

- Board members recognized Doug Cox, assistant superintendent for special education and student services, on his retirement for more than 40 years of public education service.

Adjournment

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