

A Work Session of the Albemarle County School Board was held on August 23, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., Room 241, Albemarle County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.

PRESENT: Mr. Jonno Alcaro; Mr. Stephen Koleszar; Mr. Graham Paige; Ms. Katrina Callsen Dr. Kate Acuff; Mr. David Oberg (arrived at 6:10 p.m.); and Mr. Jason Buyaki.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Matthew Haas, Superintendent; Ms. Debora Collins, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Clare Keiser, Assistant Superintendent; Ms. Rosalyn Schmitt, Chief Operating Officer; Ms. Amanda Farley, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Ms. Christine Thompson, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent; and Ms. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk to the School Board.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Closed Meeting.

At 6:00 p.m., Dr. Acuff called the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board to order. She noted that Mr. Alcaro would like to participate via telephone in the meeting. Mr. Alcaro asked that the Board allow him to participate in the meeting via telephone as he was not able to physically attend due to medical reasons. His location was Crozet, Virginia. Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to allow Mr. Alcaro to participate in the Board meeting via telephone. Mr. Paige **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Oberg absent.**

Mr. Buyaki then offered a **motion** that the School Board go into a closed meeting as authorized by the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia under subsection 1 to discuss and consider a prospective candidate for counsel for the School Board and the discipline of a classified employee; and under subsection 8 to discuss and consider consultation with legal counsel about specific policy matters requiring the provision of legal advice. Mr. Koleszar **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Oberg absent.**

Agenda Item No. 1.2. Closed Meeting Certification.

Mr. Buyaki offered a **motion** that the Board certify by recorded vote that to the best of each Board member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and identified in the motion authorizing the Closed Meeting were heard, discussed or considered in the Closed Meeting. Mr. Koleszar **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded votes:**

AYES: Mr. Koleszar, Ms. Callsen, Dr. Acuff, Mr. Alcaro, Mr. Buyaki, Mr. Paige, and Mr. Oberg.
NAYS: None.

Motion carried by a 7:0 vote.

Agenda Item No. 1.3. Call to Order.

At 6:30 p.m., Dr. Acuff, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item No. 1.4. Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item No. 1.5. Moment of Silence.

At 6:33 p.m., Mr. Oberg left the meeting due to illness.

Agenda Item. No. 2.1. Approval of Agenda.

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the agenda. Mr. Paige **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Oberg absent.**

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Consent Agenda

- 3.1 Approval of Consent Agenda
- 3.2 Personnel Action
- 3.3 2018-2019 School Crisis Plans and Certifications
- 3.4 For Action: Policy Reviews and Revisions
- 3.5 Murray High School Charter
- 3.6 For Information: Policy Reviews and Revisions

Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Buyaki **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Oberg absent.**

Agenda Item No. 4.1. Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda. None.

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Announcements.

Dr. Haas noted that school opened on Wednesday. It was a smooth opening all around.

Dr. Keiser introduced Mr. Ross Holden as the new counsel to the School Board. He will begin work for Albemarle County Public Schools in mid-September.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. School Board/Superintendent Business. None.

Agenda Item No. 7.1. Public Comment.

Ms. Lara Harrison is a member of the Hate-Free Schools Coalition of Albemarle County. She spoke to the Board about banning confederate imagery in the Albemarle County Public Schools dress code.

At 6:42 p.m., Dr. Acuff recessed the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board due to members of the audience not adhering to the guidelines for public comment. Dr. Acuff called the meeting back to order at 6:52 p.m.

Mr. Koleszar said that there is a policy and procedure for public comment because it is important for all people to be heard and all people to be treated with respect and dignity. When there is cheering and other audible noises from the audience it can be intimidating to some, and those individuals will not feel comfortable making comment. He noted that the School Board meeting is a meeting being held in public, not a public meeting. If members of the public are not going to abide by the rules, he is not going to let the meeting become a circus.

Mr. Buyaki, again, shared the guidelines for public comment.

Agenda Item No. 8.1. Summer Projects.

This item was not heard and will be placed on a future agenda.

Agenda Item No. 8.2. Preliminary FY2017/2018 Ending Fund Balance Estimates.

This item was not heard and will placed on a future agenda.

Agenda Item No. 8.3. FY 2018/2019 K-2 Technology Project.

This item was not heard and will be placed on a future agenda.

Agenda Item No. 8.4. Student Dress and Anti-Racism Policies.

This item was not heard and will be placed on a future agenda.

Agenda Item No. 8.5. Break

Agenda Item No. 8.6. FY 2019/20 Proposed Budget Calendar and Preliminary Input.

This item was not heard and will be placed on a future agenda.

Agenda Item No. 8.7. Topics for 2018-2019 Board Work Sessions.

This item was not heard and will be placed on a future agenda.

Agenda Item No. 9.1. Other Business by Board Members/Superintendent. None.

Agenda Item No. 10.1. Closed Meeting. None.

Agenda Item No. 11.1. Certify Closed Meeting. None.

Agenda Item No. 12.1. Adjournment.

At 6:55 p.m., Mr. Koleszar offered a **motion** to adjourn the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board. Mr. Buyaki **seconded** the motion, **and the motion passed with Mr. Oberg absent.**

Chairman

Clerk