

A Work Session of the Albemarle County School Board was held on April 23, 2020 at 6:30 p.m., via Zoom, Charlottesville, VA 22902.

PRESENT: Dr. Kate Acuff; Ms. Judy Le; Mr. Graham Paige; Ms. Ellen Moore Osborne; Mr. Jonno Alcaro; Ms. Katrina Callsen (arrived at 6:59 p.m.); and Mr. David Oberg.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Dr. Matthew Haas, Superintendent; Ms. Debora Collins, Deputy Superintendent; Ms. Clare Keiser, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Bernard Hairston, Assistant Superintendent; Ms. Rosalyn Schmitt, Chief Operating Officer; Ms. Maya Kumazawa, Director of Planning and Budget; Mr. Ross Holden, School Board Attorney; and Ms. Jennifer Johnston, Clerk of the Board.

Agenda Item No. 1.1. Closed Meeting – if needed. None.

Agenda Item No. 1.2. Closed Meeting Certification. None.

Agenda Item No. 1.3. Call to Order.

At 6:30 p.m., Mr. Alcaro, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Moment of Silence

Mr. Alcaro said that the meeting is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia state law and Albemarle County ordinance because the Covid-19 pandemic makes it impracticable and unsafe to assemble a quorum physically in a single location. The meeting is being streamed live on the Albemarle County Public School's website, and public comment may be offered through the Zoom waiting room feature in accordance with the School Board's protocol or by written submission.

Agenda Item No. 2.1. Agenda.

Dr. Acuff offered a **motion** to approve the agenda. Ms. Le **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded votes:**

AYES: Dr. Acuff, Mr. Oberg, Ms. Osborne, Ms. Le, Mr. Paige, and Mr. Alcaro.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Ms. Callsen.

Motion carried by a 6:0:1 vote.

Agenda Item No. 3.1. Approval of Consent Agenda.

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- 3.2 Special Education Annual Plan (2020-2021)
- 3.3 Personnel Action
- 3.4 Red Hill Addition & Renovation (Phase 2) Capital Funding Request

Mr. Paige offered a **motion** to approve the consent agenda. Ms. Osborne **seconded** the motion. **Roll was called, and the motion passed by the following recorded votes:**

AYES: Ms. Osborne, Mr. Paige, Ms. Le, Dr. Acuff, Mr. Oberg, and Mr. Paige.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Ms. Callsen.

Motion carried by a 6:0:1 vote.

Agenda Item No. 4.1. Public Comment. None.

Agenda Item No. 5.1. Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda. None.

Agenda Item No. 6.1. Announcements.

Dr. Haas said that the Division will move forward with the school name review for Murray High School and the Community Public Charter School.

Agenda Item No. 7.1. School Board/Superintendent Business.

Ms. Schmitt said that the Governor signed a critical shortage bill which deemed bus drivers as a critical shortage.

Agenda Item No. 8.1. Continuity of Learning.

Ms. Collins provided for the Board's consideration information regarding summer learning and returning to school in the Fall. As we move from the react phase of our school closing and transition to the next phases for recovery of student learning, there are key options for ACPS to consider. During this session, key background information was shared along with some possible options.

Mr. Oberg asked how these plans would impact the Division budget.

Ms. Le asked if the Division has received any guidance on reopening schools.

Dr. Acuff asked if students cannot be in the classroom would summer options be available virtually.

Agenda Item No. 8.2. FY 2020/21 Budget Development Strategies.

Ms. Schmitt and Ms. Kumazawa provided for the Board's consideration budget development strategies for FY2020/21. Revised local and state revenue estimates have been developed and were presented to the School Board on April 16th. Due to significant decreases in revenue estimates from what was adopted in the February Funding Request, staff will present recommended expenditure strategies and scenarios to develop a balanced budget for the board's feedback and discussion. With the School Board's direction, a new budget will be recommended on May 7th and budget adoption is scheduled for May 14th.

Mr. Oberg asked if was legally possible to redirect money from the capital budget to the operational budget.

Dr. Acuff asked about class size and State staffing standards. What is the average class size?

Dr. Acuff asked about differentiated increases in class size at the different levels.

Mr. Alcaro said that Division has done well managing health care costs.

Mr. Alcaro asked about transfers coming from the Extended Day Enrichment Program.

Mr. Paige asked if staff could be kept informed about the reason behind budget changes now regarding pay increases.

Dr. Acuff asked if there were plans to survey teachers about virtual learning regarding what worked and what did not work.

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 7:32 p.m., Mr. Alcaro, hearing no objections, adjourned the meeting of the Albemarle County School Board.

Chairman

Clerk