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BLAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2012
5:00/6:00 P.M.

MEETING LOCATION: SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE, 361 BEARS TRL., BASTIAN, VA

PRESENT

Anthony T. Kennedy, Chairman; Melinda Litton, Member; Rob Brizendine, Member; Kyle Rhodes, Division Superintendent; and Debra L. French, Clerk of the Board

ABSENT

Roger L. Morehead, Vice-Chairman

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

After a quorum was determined, the meeting was called to order by Chairman, Anthony T. Kennedy.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Anthony T. Kennedy.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to approve the meeting agenda as amended.

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For.
Motion was passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Melinda Litton and seconded by Rob Brizendine to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2011 regular meeting as presented.

Vote on this motion: Melinda Litton, For; Rob Brizendine, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For.
Motion was passed.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING OBLIGATIONS

Motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to approve payment of the outstanding obligations, to include the Textbook Fund and those approved by the Fiscal Agent, as presented at Attachment A.

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For.
Motion was passed.

RECOGNITION

Rocky Gap High School was recognized for receiving the 2012 Virginia Index of Performance Recognition.

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PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Financial Report - December, 2011 (Attachment B)

Update on State Funding

2012-2013 BUDGET PREPARATION

Attendance Report – December, 2011 (Attachment C)

Property Appraisal Report (Attachment D)

ACTION ITEMS – Dr. Rhodes, Superintendent

VSBA Policy, Student Records, File: JO (1st reading) (Attachment E)

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to approve on 2nd reading the VSBA Policy, Student Records, File: JO, as amended.

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For.
Motion was passed.

VSBA CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS (Attachment F)

Motion was made by Melinda Litton and seconded by Rob Brizendine to approve the VSBA Code of Conduct for School Board Members as presented.

Vote on this motion: Melinda Litton, For; Rob Brizendine, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

February, 2012 School Board meeting

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to change the date of February, 2012 School Board meeting to Monday, February 20, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. at the School Board Office, 361 Bears Trl., Bastian, VA.

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

Facility Committee

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Melinda Litton and seconded by Rob Brizendine to establish a Facility Committee to include representatives from all stakeholder groups to continue studying school facility needs.

Vote on this motion: Melinda Litton, For; Rob Brizendine, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For.
Motion was passed.

Field Trips (Attachment G)

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to approve the following field trip requests as presented:

Rocky Gap Sr. Beta, March 15-18, 2012, Richmond, VA
Bland High Sr. Beta, March 15-18, 2012, Richmond, VA
Bland & Rocky Gap High FBLA, April 13-14, 2012, Reston, VA
Bland & Rocky Gap High Band, February 3-4, 2012, Bristol, VA

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

Job Descriptions (Attachment H)

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to approve the job descriptions for the following positions as presented:

Reading Specialist	Librarian
Instructional Aide	Special Education Teacher's Aide
School Nutrition	Library Assistant
Technology Personnel	

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

UPDATE FROM STAFF

Principals addressed the Board to report on activities taking place within the schools.

The regular meeting was recessed by the Chairman, Anthony T. Kennedy.

Mr. Kennedy, Chairman, opened the Public Hearing – 6:00 p.m.

TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET

Public comments were received by the Board.

Mr. Kennedy, Chairman, closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Kennedy, Chairman, reconvened the regular meeting.

UPDATE FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD – COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Mr. Kennedy updated the Board concerning the upcoming VSBA Legislative Conference.

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED MEETING

Motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton that pursuant to Section 2.2-3711.A. of the Code of Virginia that the Board convene a closed meeting for the following purposes:

1. Discuss personnel employment pursuant to the personnel exemption at Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia.
2. Discuss student matters that involve the disclosure of information contained in a scholastic record concerning students of Bland County Public Schools pursuant to the student exemption at Section 2.2-3711(A)(2) of the Code of Virginia.

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For.
Motion was passed.

MOTION TO EXIT CLOSED MEETING

Motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to exit the Closed Meeting.

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

Motion was made by Melinda Litton and seconded by Rob Brizendine to approve the certification of the Closed Meeting conducted on this date, January 23, 2012, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Bland County School has convened a Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of The Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712.D. of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this School Board that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Bland County School Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only such public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the Closed Meeting to which this certification applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the Closed Meeting were heard, discussed, or considered.

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Vote on this motion: Melinda Litton, For; Rob Brizendine, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

Signed:

Debra L. French, Clerk
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ACTION ITEMS – Dr. Rhodes, Superintendent

Closed Meeting Items

Bland County Virtual Alternative School Membership

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Melinda Litton and seconded by Rob Brizendine to approve the following students for enrollment in the Bland County Virtual Alternative School: 2011-2012-1; 2011-2012-2; and 2011-2012-3 and to also enroll student 2011-2012-VAS in the least restrictive environment.

Vote on this motion: Melinda Litton, For; Rob Brizendine, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

Donation of Sick leave – 2011-2012

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to approve the donation of sick leave to Mrs. Kathy Green for the 2011-2012 school year.

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

Long-term substitute Bus Driver – 2011-2012

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Melinda Litton and seconded by Rob Brizendine to approve Ms. Helen Dodd as a long-term substitute bus driver for the 2011-2012 school year.

Vote on this motion: Melinda Litton, For; Rob Brizendine, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

Substitute Teacher – 2011-2012

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to approve Emilie Hagee as a substitute teacher for the 2011-2012 school year.

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For.
Motion was passed.

Resignation

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to accept the resignation of Joseph Brinkley, Jr. , instructional aide, effective January 31, 2012.

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

Long-Term Substitute Teacher

Upon recommendation of the Division Superintendent, motion was made by Melinda Litton and seconded by Rob Brizendine to employ Mrs. Sandra Harman as a long-term substitute teacher at the standard rate of pay for long-term substitute teachers in the absence of Mrs. Holly Nelson.

Vote on this motion: Melinda Litton, For; Rob Brizendine, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For. Motion was passed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further action to be taken by the Board, motion was made by Rob Brizendine and seconded by Melinda Litton to adjourn this meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Vote on this motion: Rob Brizendine, For; Melinda Litton, For; Anthony T. Kennedy, For.
Motion was passed.

CHAIRMAN

CLERK