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# PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD PRINCE GEORGE, VIRGINIA REGULAR MEETING April 17, 2017

The regular meeting of the Prince George County School Board was held in the County Administration Building, Third Floor Board Room, on Monday, April 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

A closed meeting was held at 5:30 p.m.

Members and staff present:

Mr. Reeve E. Ashcraft, Board Member

Mr. Kevin S. Foster, Chairman

Mr. Roger E. Franklin, Jr., Board Member

Mr. Lewis E. Stevenson, Vice Chairman

Mrs. Renee Williams, Superintendent

Dr. Lisa Pennycuff, Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Patrick Bingham, Assistant Superintendent

Mrs. Rebecca Kirk, Clerk of the Board

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Foster, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:28 p.m.

#### II. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following Board members present:

Present: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

Staff requested the addition of personnel and student matters be included in the closed meeting for discussion. As a result, the School Board voted on the Approval of the revised Agenda.

### III. Approval of Agenda (renumbered)

Mr. Franklin made a motion to amend the agenda by adding Personnel Matters P31/16-17, P32/16-17, P33/16-17, P21/16-17, a student matter for discussion, add Presentation Item D – Grading Scale Overview and remove Discussion Item C – Grading Scale

Considerations and Recognition Item E – April Social Work Month. Mr. Ashcraft seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

- IV. VOTE TO GO INTO A CLOSED MEETING FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION OF SPECIFIC PERSONNEL, STUDENT AND LEGAL MATTERS (pursuant to Va. Code §§ 2.2-3711.A.1, 2.2-3711.A.2 and 2.2-3711.A.7) renumbered
  - A. Personnel Matters Section 2.2-3711.A.1
    - 1. Personnel Matter P30/16-17
    - 2. Personnel Matter P31/16-17 (added to agenda)
    - 3. Personnel Matter P32/16-17 (added to agenda)
    - 4. Personnel Matter P33/16-17 (added to agenda)
    - 5. Personnel Matter P21/16-17 (added to agenda)
  - B. Legal Matters Section 2.2-3711.A.7
    - 1. Legal Matter L07/16-17
    - 2. Legal Matter L08/16-17
    - 3. Legal Matter L09/16-17
  - C. Student Matters Section 2.2-3711.A.2 (added to agenda)
    - 1. Student Matter Discussion

Mr. Franklin made a motion to go into a closed meeting to discuss specific personnel, student, and legal matters pursuant to the personnel records, student records and legal records exemptions of the VA Code §§2.2-3711.A.1, 2.2-3711.A.2 and 2.2-3711.A.7. Mr. Stevenson seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

### V. CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING AND ACTIONS - renumbered

Mr. Franklin made a motion to go back into an open meeting and certified that nothing had been discussed in the closed session other than what was stated in the original motion. Mr. Ashcraft seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

No action was taken on Personnel Matters P30/16-17, P33/16-17, or P21/16-17.

Mr. Stevenson made a motion in Personnel Matter 31/16-17 to suspend the employee for five (5) days without pay. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

Mr. Ashcraft made a motion in Personnel Matter 32/16-17 to terminate employee for job abandonment. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

No action was taken on Legal Matters L07/16-17, L08/16-17, or L09/16-17.

No action was taken on Student Matter Discussion.

Mr. Foster announced the changes to the Agenda and that the Agenda had been approved at the beginning of the meeting with revisions.

#### VI. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - renumbered

Mr. Foster led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. March 13, 2017 Regular School Board Meeting
- B. March 16, 2017 Special School Board Meeting
- C. March 30, 2017 Special School Board Meeting Budget Work Session
- D. April 6, 2017 Special School Board Meeting Budget Work Session

Prior to approving the minutes, Mr. Foster read a Statement relating to the Conflict of Interests Act whereby he publicly acknowledged he signed the statement to be made part of the March 30, 2017 permanent record (see attached).

Mr. Franklin made a motion to collectively approve the March 13, 2017 Regular School Board Meeting minutes, the March 16, 2017 Special School Board Meeting minutes, the March 30, 2017 Special School Board Meeting – Budget Work Session minutes, and the April 6, 2017 Special School Board Meeting – Budget Work Session minutes. Mr. Ashcraft seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

### VIII. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

A. All District Choir Recognitions

(Christian Burkes – Choir Director, Prince George High School)

Caroline Brockwell
 Nikaylah Brown
 Kennedy Ivey
 Hanna Kipp

\* Sabrina Brown
 \* Rhiannon Lawrence

\* Kaitlyn Cary
\* Carlos Colon
\* Alexandra Davis
\* Noah George
\* Michael Germanos
\* Rylee Hughes
\* Eric Lin
\* Cierra Lundy
\* Francesco Pino
\* Rachel Post
\* Sam Preece
\* Rebecca Wilson

The named students attended the All-District Choir in February. Dr. Pennycuff introduced students by sopranos, altos, and basses. She also read an email that staff received from a patron at Disneyworld who attended the competition in Florida. He recognized the students and choir director and spoke of their character while at the competition. The choir received a fourth place finish nationally, missing 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place by only a few points. Christian Burkes presented the trophy that the choir received for their 4<sup>th</sup> place finish. Mr. Nelson also spoke about the choral talent at Prince George High School and the leadership and guidance Mr. Burkes provides to this group.

### B. All-State Choir – Carlos Colon

Carlos Colon received the honor of being selected as the 1<sup>st</sup> Bass for All-State Choir and will participate in the choral festival April 27-29 at Virginia Tech with all of the top singers from the state.

- C. 2017 VSBA Southside Regional Art Contest Representatives
  - \* Elizabeth Delong 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, William A. Walton Elementary School
     "Musical Composition" (Jean Martin Art Teacher)
  - \* Sallie Martin 7<sup>th</sup> Grade, J.E.J. Moore Middle "Oil Pastel Selfie" (Rebecca Stroop Art Teacher)
  - \* Aya Daniels 10<sup>th</sup> Grade, Prince George High School "Self Portrait" (Christy Eliades – Art Teacher)

Elementary, middle, and high school students were recognized for representing Prince George at the 2017 VSBA Southside Spring Regional Forum Art Contest. Each student spoke about the pictures they painted and the inspiration for their paintings. The students were presented with a certificate from VSBA for their participation in the art contest.

- D. Virginia Holocaust Museum Art Contest 2017
  - \* Emily Lawson "Hope"

Emily Lawson participated in the Virginia Holocaust Museum's Art Contest. The theme of this year's contest was "Impact". Emily explained art has been a big part of her life and she shared the symbolism of the white and red roses and barbed-wire fence and the translation of Hope in Hebrew. Ms. Romig announced that she had just received word today that Emily had received third place honors in the state for her drawing and her picture would be placed in the Virginia Holocaust Museum for one year.

- E. April Social Work Month
  - \* Matt Hall
  - \* Chanda Hannah
  - \* Tierra Tillie

To be recognized later as representatives were not available to attend.

- F. 2017 Division-wide Teachers of the Year
  - \* Anne Roberts Prince George High School
  - \* Matt McAllister N. B. Clements Junior High School
  - \* Brittany Tuzzo J. E. J. Moore Middle School
  - \* Marlon Haskins Prince George Education Center
  - \* Anne Rivera L. L. Beazley Elementary School
  - \* Victoria Shell David A. Harrison Elementary School
  - \* Catherine Sirles North Elementary School
  - \* Michelle Gates South Elementary School
  - \* Shelley Lewis William A. Walton Elementary School

Dr. Bingham introduced the 2017 Teacher of the Year recipients by school and the teachers will receive a monogrammed tote bag. He explained that he is amazed at the quality of teachers in the school division. The Teacher of the Year panel consisted of Patrick Bingham, Bill Barnes, Jim Scruggs, and Zetta Ethington and the panel concluded these nine teachers represent over 500 teachers and all are caring and passionate about teaching and are the best of the best!

# G. Prince George County Public Schools 2017 Teacher of the Year

Dr. Bingham announced Brittany Tuzzo / J.E.J. Moore Middle School as the division's 2017 Teacher of the Year. She was presented with a plaque for being named the 2017 Teacher of the Year. Ms. Tuzzo will compete in the 2017 Mary V. Bicouvaris Virginia Teacher of the Year competition. Ms. Tuzzo is a fifth year 6<sup>th</sup> grade English/Social Studies teacher. She stated she is "honored and humbled to stand before everyone and proud to represent Prince George County". She also congratulated the other Teacher of the Year nominees for being selected by their schools. Each board member made comments about the exemplary teachers we have in the county. These teachers are an inspiration to all.

- H. Retirement (individual years of service in parenthesis)
  - \* Marlene Buchanan March 31, 2017 (14)
  - \* Eileen Mozucha March 1, 2017 (27)
  - \* Brenda Stables April 1, 2017 (47)

An emotional presentation was made for employees retiring from the school division. Ms. Buchanan was recognized with 14 years of service as a bus driver. Ms. Mozucha served 27 years as a bus driver and administrative assistant/bookkeeper at Prince George Education Center and David A. Harrison Elementary School. Ms. Stables was recognized with 47 years of dedicated service teaching our precious little ones at David A. Harrison Elementary School. Each employee was presented with an inscribed Bulova clock.

### IX. PRESENTATIONS

A. Report from David A. Harrison Elementary School – by Chris Scruggs, Principal

Mr. Scruggs reflected on the exciting year at Harrison School. He recognized Angela Peade, fourth grade teacher who was a VFW Teacher of the Year recipient due to her involvement with the American Flag project. She had students create American flags from different types of material. Students are graded on creativity with the correct number of stars and stripes. Students Peyton Ziegenfuss, Chandler Barfield, Dante Davis, Caroline Glazier, Thomas Cox, and Annalise Gettier were present to share their unique flags made from wine corks, feathers, beads, wood and nails, fabric, etc. Mr. Scruggs presented a video of students and staff showing the great things happening at the school....students sharing their thoughts about the best things at Harrison, fellowship with staff and principal, safety patrol, Harvest Festival and Nursery Rhyme Parade, WatchD.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) program, Winter Concert and Father-Daughter Dance, Best Bears program for staff to thank them for insuring student success, and community involvement with Fort Lee. Best Bear recipients for 2016-17 included: Tracey Honaker, Patricia Nesbitt, Amy Sperber, Kelli Glazier, Rebekah Moss, and Kent Novak.

### B. Construction Update – by Ron Rhodes

Dr. Bingham provided the construction update in Mr. Rhodes' absence. He stated 208 work orders had been completed. He also spoke on the sewer problem at North Elementary indicating that the problem had been isolated and that Gentry Water Works was installing valves in hopes to correct the problem. The school division will continue to work with the county to resolve the over charge.

# C. Transportation Update – by Clarence Thweatt

Mr. Thweatt thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as the Transportation Coordinator and gave a packet of information to the Board with statistics for their review. The number one goal for drivers is to get the students home safely. A lot of changes have occurred in the two months since he started but the division is still seriously short on drivers. A job fair was held recently and no one attended. This problem is not just in Prince George, it is all over the state and nationally. This problem was discussed during a recent meeting of Transportation Directors from Region 1. Some solutions discussed included purchasing larger buses (72 passenger bus vs. 65 passenger bus) and consolidating routes and look at possibly staggering school times to help with the driver shortage. He currently has some drivers in training. He thanked Mr. Rhodes for resources and training he has received to help him with the job and he hopes to make some changes for the upcoming year.

## D. Grading Scale Considerations – by William Barnes

The 2016-21 Comprehensive Plan included a study to review alternate grading scale options including the 10 point scale. A committee consisting of teachers, parents, and directors have been meeting, reviewing, and considering options to changing the grading scale. Prince George, Colonial Heights, and Hanover are the only schools in this area that are not operating on a 10-point grading scale. A CBS video was shown on how Hanover County's 7-point grading scale hurts GPA scores for college chances compared to surrounding area 10-point grading scale schools. Mr. Barnes then proceeded to show statistics on the use of a 10-point scale in Virginia. Discussion points for considering a grading scale adjustment include the belief that Prince George students may be at a disadvantage with other divisions for admission, scholarships, etc., inconsistent ranges for each letter grade, inconsistent scale with dual enrollment classes, and statewide trend is moving to a 10-point scale. He then provided data from colleges of the importance of academic and non-academic factors in their admission decisions. Academic GPA, class rank, and rigor of secondary school record were very important factors considered by local colleges and universities like William & Mary, Hampton, Howard, Longwood, James Madison, Richard Bland, University of Virginia, Virginia Tech, Virginia Commonwealth, and Virginia State. Mr. Barnes showed an example of a student on a 7-point scale vs. a 10 point scale and how this would affect meeting the GPA requirement for any of the named colleges or possible impact of obtaining a scholarship from any of the colleges. Data from focus group meetings and surveys will be collected and a recommendation on the grading scale will be made to the superintendent and then shared with the school board on June 12, 2017. Pending the outcome of this process, the information will come to the board as an action item at its July 10 school board meeting.

### X. PUBLIC COMMENT - GENERAL

### XI. SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Mr. Ashcraft hoped everyone had a great Easter and spring break, noting that we are in the straight stretch with only a few weeks of school left until the end of the year. He reacted to the recognitions during the night by stating he was very impressed by all the presentations and commented that students, academics and teachers make Prince George the best school division in the area.

Mr. Stevenson also commented on the recognition presentations. All of the recognitions are what makes Prince George the place that everyone wants to be. He stated that Prince George is unique and when referring to the grading scale presentation, he asked staff to keep in mind that we don't want to be like everyone else and we don't want to lower standards for our students.

Mr. Foster thanked employees and community people who have attended the budget work sessions. He stated both boards (school board and board of supervisors) have been working together and have discussed the school division's needs. A budget was approved and sent to the County Board of Supervisors, but the board will have to amend the budget as a result of additional information provided to staff. At the end of the day, our employees are important to us...teachers, support staff, administrators...they are getting the job done and continue to make our school system the best!

### XII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Personnel Report
- B. Board Requests
- C. Warrants
  - General
  - Title I
  - Food and Nutrition Services
  - 4. Permission to Pay Additional Bills/Anticipated Bills not listed on Warrants List

Mr. Franklin made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, including permission to pay additional bills/anticipated bills not listed on the Warrants list (see attached list). Mr. Ashcraft seconded the motion.

### Personnel Report - Appointments

George Tucker – Head Custodian, Harrison – April 1, 2017 Mary Slusser – Pre-School Teacher, South – August 21, 2017 Kellie Slaybaugh – Business Teacher, Clements – August 21, 2017 Emilie Schmidt – English Teacher, PGHS – August 21, 2017 Benjamin Tripp – Drafting/CAD Teacher, PGHS – August 21, 2017 Francis Ferebee – SPED Teacher, Moore – August 21, 2017 Nicole Sandy – SPED Teacher, Harrison – August 21, 2017 Richard Saunders – Science Teacher, Moore – August 21, 2017 Tracie Honaker – Administrative Associate I, Harrison – April 1, 2017

### Resignations

Richard Blackwell – Driver II, Transportation – March 17, 2017

Justin Dovel – History Teacher, Moore – June 16, 2017

George Tucker – Custodian, Harrison – April 1, 2017

Mary Slusser – Pre-School Instructional Assistant, South – June 16, 2017

Lindsey Standerfer – Highly Qualified Paraprofessional, Beazley – June 8, 2017

Tracie Honaker – Office Associate III, Harrison – April 1, 2017

### Retirement

Charlotte Williams – Administrative Associate III, SBO – August 1, 2017 Lynn Clark – Title 1 Reading Specialist, Walton – June 30, 2017

### Board Requests - Field Trip Requests

Kevin Moore requests permission to take 11-12 grade students to the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum and Washington Nationals baseball game May 25, 2017.

### **Use of School Facilities**

Champions request permission for use of school facilities (Beazley Auditorium) to provide childcare during teacher work day and spring break, April 3 and April 7, 10-14, 2017.

Prince George Police Department requests permission for use of school facilities (N.B. Clements) for Dispatcher Training on March 16 and 22, 2017.

### Other

Brian Raff requests permission to complete his senior year at Prince George High School for the 2016-17 school year. He has recently moved to Petersburg, Virginia. Shawn Meroth requests permission for her child, Drizten Meroth, to be exempt from compulsory attendance to pursue getting his GED.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

### XIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Perkins Grant Application – Peter Fisher

The Perkins Grant Application outlines how the division will use federal funds for the Career and Technical Education Program.

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the Perkins Grant Application as presented. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

- B. Approval of Bids Ron Rhodes
  - 1. Tires
  - 2. Vehicle Lubricants Bid
  - 3. Fuel Bid Propane and Other
  - 4. Brake Drums & Brake Shoes

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to collectively approve the bids as presented. Mr. Ashcraft seconded the motion.

<u>Tires:</u> Awarded to Leete Tire (car and light truck tires; recap tires will be offered to Leete) and all school bus (new) tires will be offered to Colony Tire.

<u>Vehicle Lubricants:</u> Awarded to Pugh Lubricants and PMI Lubricants for regular and synthetic lubricants according to bid tabulation sheet.

<u>Fuel – Propane and Other:</u> Awarded to Amerigas and James River Solutions according to bid tabulation sheet.

Filters and Brake Shoes: Awarded to Truck Enterprises

Brake Drums: Awarded to Tidewater Fleet & Powers Auto Parts (NAPA)

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

C. CodeRVA Regional High School Fiscal Agent – Renee Williams

Mr. Ashcraft made a motion to accept Henrico County as the fiscal agent for CodeRVA. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

D. May 25, 2017 – Pay Day Change – Renee Williams

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to change the school district's pay date to May 25, 2017 to meet the auditor's requirements. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

E. Policy GCE – Part-Time and Substitute Professional Staff Employment – Renee Williams / Patrick Bingham

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve Policy GCE – Part-Time and Substituted Professional Staff Employment as presented. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

F. Policy IKFD – Alternative Paths to Attaining Standard Units of Credit – William Barnes / Lisa Pennycuff

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve Policy IKFD – Alternative Paths to Attaining Standard Units of Credit as presented. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

G. Revised 2016-17 Budget Based on 2016-17 Impact Aid Award – Becky Hicks

The school district received an additional \$1,437,746 in federal Impact Aid funds.

Mr. Franklin made a motion to approve the revised 2016-17 Title VIII Impact Aid Amended Budget in the amount of \$4,832,746.26 and requested a letter be written to the Board of Supervisors asking for the approval of additional funds. Mr. Ashcraft seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

H. Health Insurance Rates – Becky Hicks

Two health insurance options were presented to the School Board for review. Calculations include a slight increase to the employee only and a decrease in the other tier groups by approximately \$100, a decrease in H.S.A. contributions of \$500 in each tier and requesting a change from semi-yearly to monthly contributions for all H.S.A. participants. Pierce Group has offered their assistance in providing direct billing for retirees over 65, as well as all retirees who participate in dental and vision insurance. Dental rates for retirees only increased to 5.2%.

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to approve the FY2018 Health Insurance Option 2 proposal, dental insurance and vision rates, change in H.S.A. contributions and retiree direct billing as presented. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

Absent: Cox

#### XIV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Special Education Annual Plan 2017-18 – Zetta Ethington

The superintendent must provide assurances to the VDOE that Prince George Public Schools conform to all federal and state regulations governing the education of students

with disabilities. Ms. Ethington presented a draft Annual Plan to the Board for review. There were no significant revisions from the previous year. The Special Education Advisory Committee will seek approval of the Special Education Annual Plan at the May 8, 2017 meeting. Deadline for submission of the plan to VDOE is May 12, 2017.

B. Policy JECB – Admission of Non-Public Students for Part-Time Enrollment
 – Renee Williams

There has been discussion on whether the School Board wants to change policy to allow non-public students (private school or home school students) for part-time enrollment. Staff will get legal review on implication to division if this policy is approved. This item will be brought back to the May 8, 2017 meeting.

- C. Grading Scale Considerations William Barnes [moved to presentations]
- D. VSBA Legislative Positions Call for Submissions Renee Williams

The VSBA Legislative Positions Committee will begin its annual task of considering changes to the VSBA Legislative Positions proposed by School Boards. Information/changes must be Board approved and submitted to the VSBA by June 9, 2017.

E. VSBA Policy Updates (February, 2017) – Renee Williams

The VSBA February 2017 updates were provided to the School Board for review/ consideration. Some policies require regulations/guidelines specific to our school division. Guidelines and other proposed policies will be presented to the School Board for approval at a later date.

F. Core Committee Update – Renee Williams / Lewis Stevenson

The Core Committee has met as a group and the first Public Forum was held on April 4, 2017. Approximately 12 community people showed up but only a couple of people spoke during the public comment period. The Core Committee will meet again on April 19 and another Public Forum is scheduled for May 3<sup>rd</sup> at J.E.J. Moore Middle School's gymnasium beginning at 6:00 p.m. Recommendations by the Core Committee will be presented to the Board at the June 12, 2017 meeting.

G. Update on Meeting with Garrison Commander – Renee Williams

A meeting with the Garrison Commander was held after the accident of two buses on Fort Lee. The Garrison Commander and school staff discussed facts surrounding the accident and discussed solutions to the driver shortage problem. Col. Butler also took employment applications back with him to Fort Lee.

H. 2017-18 Budget Update – Becky Hicks

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The FY2018 budget was approved on March 30, 2017 for \$66,423,047. This amount included \$350,000 of CSA funds. However, staff will now see a \$350,000 reduction based on information received from the county.

I. Financial Report for March, 2017 – Becky Hicks

We are within 25% of receiving all revenue. The March ADM included 6,282 but the state estimated 6,296. Adjustments will be made. Expenditures are all on time.

#### XV. INFORMATION ITEMS/SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. March 2017 Bus Suspensions and School Suspensions
- B. 2016-17 Expulsions and Reinstatements
- C. Current enrollment as of April 4, 2017
- D. 2016-17 Year-to-Date Building Use Requests
- E. Student/Employee Emergency Monthly Report via School Messenger
- F. Risk Management Grant Received for Security Cameras
- G. "Progress Index" article, "A Royal Passion for News", March 26, 2017
- VSBA Hot Topic Conference "How School Boards Make a Difference" Charlottesville – April 20, 2017
- I. VSBA/WVSBA Hot Topic Conference Wytheville May 3, 2017
- J. VSBA Webinar: Super Substitutes: The Solution to Filling Absences and Improving Student Learning May 4, 2107
- K. 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Prince George Alliance for Education Foundation Golf Tournament, Prince George Golf Course – May 19, 2017
- L. Free Webinar: The Research on School Choice June 14, 2017
- M. VSBA Conference on Education Richmond Marriott July 18, 2017
- N. News from our Schools
- O. VSBA Newsletter

Mrs. Williams provided standard monthly reports and information to the Board for their review.

Mrs. Williams also brought attention to receiving \$4,000 for a Risk Management Grant received for security cameras. She shared an excellent news article from *The Progress Index* on "A Royal Passion for News". She reminded all about the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Prince George Alliance for Education Foundation Golf Tournament on May 19, 2017 and she also shared some awards that have been received by the FBLA.

#### XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Stevenson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:28 p.m. Mr. Ashcraft seconded the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: Ashcraft, Foster, Franklin, Stevenson

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Absent: Cox

The meeting adjourned at 10:28 p.m.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we set our signatures this 8th day of May, 2017.

Approved:

/s/ Kevin S. Foster - Chairman

Attest:

/s/ Rebecca B. Kirk, Clerk

# **CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING**

WHEREAS, the Prince George County School Board 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 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 Prince George County School Board hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only 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.

VOTE

Ayes: 4

/s/ Rebecca B. Kirk <u>April 17, 2017</u> Meeting Date