

ESSEX COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The Essex County School Board met at Essex School Board Room on February 11, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Larry Bullis
Ray Whitaker
Keren Ellis
Liz Martin
Carl Slaughter
Gail Pope, Superintendent
Kim Hodges, Clerk
Sharon Saunders, Deputy Clerk
Princess Blanding, Assistant Principal EHS
Angela Gross, Principal EIS
Patrick Dispirito, Principal TES
Fontella Calhoun, Assistant Principal TES
Scott Burckbuchler
Annette Thompson
Mary Coggin
Jon Barnes
Gina Powell
Anthony Walker
Dashan Turner
Roy Bray
John Clickener
Rusty, Kay & Millie Carlton
Denise Hammond
Joey Reinhardt
Mary Passaluppi
Lori Lenz
Jacob Plummer
Valerie & Aliyah Taylor
Ernestine Fauntleroy
Jennifer Lyons
Jamie & Samuel Carneal

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Valerie Taylor, President of Essex Education Association, invited the Board to participate in "Read Across America" on March 1st at TES. Mrs. Fauntleroy dressed up as the "Cat in the Hat" character.

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Whitaker, the Board approved the consent agenda (see attached).

APPOINT SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Bullis stated that after starting with 23 applicants and many meetings the Essex County Board ended with three strong candidates for the next superintendent, and Scott Burckbuchler, Ph.D. met all of the Board's expectations. The board voted unanimously to appoint Dr. Scott Burckbuchler as superintendent.

Dr. Burckbuchler thanked the Board and stated that he will support the faculty and staff. He is looking forward to the partnership and will start on June 1, 2013.

REVISED STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Mr. Turner presented the revised code of conduct for Board's approval (see attached).
Mr. Whitaker asked for clarification on half days.

On a motion by Mrs. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, the Board approved the revised student code of conduct.

ADDITION TO AGENDA

Mrs. Ellis stated that the by-laws of the Chesapeake Bay Governor's School states that there be an alternate to the board of directors.

On a motion by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Slaughter, the Board approved all members serving as alternate.

SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

Tappahannock Elementary School art students Aliyah Taylor, Millie Carlton and Samuel Carneal displayed their artwork to the Board for School Board Appreciation Month. Dr. Pope presented certificates from VSBA to each member.

SCHOOL BOARD CLERK APPRECIATION WEEK

Mr. Bullis presented certificates from VSBA to the Clerk and Deputy Clerk for School Board Clerk Appreciation Week.

2012-2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR CHANGE

Dr. Pope recommended President's Day be made an instructional day to makeup for a day lost due to inclement weather.

On a motion by Mrs. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, the Board approved the superintendent's recommendation.

2013-2014 PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

Dr. Pope presented the proposed 2013-2014 school budget (see attached sheets).

SCHOOL BOARD'S REPORT

Mr. Bullis thanked Dr. Pope for her presentation of such a detailed budget.

Dr. Pope thanked Mrs. Thompson and the division supervisors for their help in the process.

On a motion by Mr. Whitaker, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, the Board adjourned.

Chairman

Clerk/Deputy Clerk

**ESSEX COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING**

The Essex County School Board met in the Essex County School Board Room on February 20, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Larry Bullis

Ray Whitaker
Liz Martin
Keren Ellis
Carl Slaughter
Gail Pope, Superintendent
Kim Hodges, Clerk
Annette Thompson
Jon Barnes
Denise Hammond
Mary Passaluppi

CLOSED SESSION

On a motion by Mrs. Ellis and seconded by Mrs. Martin, the Board went into closed session for the following purposes:

2.1-344.1.1 Personnel
2.1-344.7.1 Legal

REGULAR SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Slaughter and seconded by Mrs. Martin, the Board returned to regular session.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

WHEREAS, the Essex County School Board had convened a closed meeting of this

pursuant to an affirmative record vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of information Act and

WHEREAS, Section 2.1-344(D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this School Board that such closed meeting was conducted with Virginia Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County School Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from 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	5
NAY	0

Clerk/Deputy Clerk (or Supt.) of Essex Co.

On a motion by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Slaughter, the Board approved the resignation of personnel as recommended by the superintendent.

Mrs. Hammond thanked Dr. Pope for her presentation of the proposed school budget. She asked that the Board continue to recognize that teachers haven't had a salary increase in years and for their consideration concerning this matter.

PUBLIC HEARING

Dr. Pope presented a scenario for balancing the 2013-2014 school budget (see attached).

On a motion by Mrs. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Ells, the Board adjourned.

Chairman

Clerk/Deputy Clerk

**ESSEX COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
BUDGET WORKSHOP**

The Essex County School Board met in the Essex County School Board Room on February 25, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Larry Bullis

Liz Martin
Keren Ellis
Carl Slaughter
Gail Pope, Superintendent
Kim Hodges, Clerk
Annette Thompson
Mary Passaluppi

Dr. Pope presented a potential needs based 2013-2014 school budget (see attached).

Mr. Bullis read a letter from the chairman of the Williamsburg-James City County Public Schools regarding the hiring of Dr. Burckbuchler (see attached).

On a motion by Mr. Slaughter, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, the Board adjourned.

Chairman

Clerk/Deputy Clerk