

**MEETING OF
SUFFOLK SCHOOL BOARD
Tuesday, March 20, 2018 (5:00 PM)**

Upon the Roll being called, the following persons were present:

David Mitnick
Enoch Copeland, Chairman
Judith Brooks Buck
Linda Bouchard
Lorraine Skeeter
Michael Debranski
Phyllis Byrum, Vice Chairman

Also Present: Dr. Deran R. Whitney, Superintendent
 Cynthia B. Chavis, Clerk
 Wendell M. Waller, School Board Attorney

5:00 PM - OPENING OF PUBLIC MEETING

The School Board Meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

MOTION TO GO INTO A CLOSED MEETING

Member (Phyllis Byrum) Moved, Member (Judith Brooks Buck) Seconded the motion to go into a Closed Meeting to discuss the following items and subjects pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended:

1. The discussion and/or consideration of the Personnel Report regarding specific individuals relative to employment of prospective candidates, resignations, appointments, promotions, and disciplining of specific employees of the School Board;

All of which is authorized by Section 2.2-3711 (1) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 6 Nay: 0. Absent: 1 (Debranski – for vote only) The motion Carried. 6 - 0

6:00 PM - OPENING OF PUBLIC MEETING

1. The School Board Meeting was called to order by the Chairman.
2. The School Board and attendees were led in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

Member (Phyllis Byrum) Moved, Member (Judith Brooks-Buck) Seconded to approve the Resolution of Certificate of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 7 - 0

6:00 PM - PRESENTATIONS

1. Recognition of 2018 Lakeland High School Honor Graduates

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Superintendent's Proposed Financial Plan FY 2018-2019

Ms. Forsman, Executive Director-Finance, provided an update regarding the status of the state budget and advised that a special session of the General Assembly would be required for its further discussion and approval of a state budget. However, the special session will not occur prior to the required state deadline for the school division to submit its budget to City Council.

Member (Phyllis Byrum) Moved, Member (Judith Brooks-Buck) Seconded the motion to approve the Proposed Financial Plan FY 2018-2019.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 7 – 0

2. Strategic Plan Update

Dr. Harrison, Assistant Superintendent, provided an update regarding the Strategic Plan and shared the timeline for the continued development and approval of the plan. She advised that a draft of the plan will be posted on the school division's web site for public review and comment; public input will be allowed at the April 2018 meeting; an updated plan will be presented to the Board at its May 2018 meeting; and the final plan will be presented to the Board for approval at the June 2018 meeting. The approved plan will be implemented July 1, 2018.

ACTION ON CLOSED MEETING ITEM

1. Personnel Report

Member (Phyllis Byrum) Moved, Member (Lorraine Skeeter) Seconded the motion to approve the Personnel Report as submitted.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 7 - 0

ADJOURNMENT

The Chairman adjourned the March 20, 2018 School Board meeting at 7:25 pm.

Enoch C. Copeland, Chairman

Cynthia B. Chavis, Clerk