

**WESTMORELAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD**  
**MONTROSS, VIRGINIA**  
**BOARD MINUTES**  
**July 18, 2022**

The Westmoreland County School Board met in regular session on Monday, July 18, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Gerald B. Roane Center for Excellence Building, Montross, Virginia.

Present:

Mr. Ralph Fallin, Chair  
Ms. Iris Lane, Vice Chair  
Mrs. Katherine Lewis, Member  
Mrs. Sandra Ramsey, Member  
Dr. Daniel Wallace, Member

Others Present:

Dr. Michael Perry, Superintendent  
Ms. Cathy Rice, Deputy Superintendent

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Fallin, Chair.

Board Member Sandy Ramsey made a motion that the Board convene into closed session as provided in Section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of discussing personnel matters dealing with specific personnel of the Westmoreland County School division pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1) of the Code of Virginia. Board Member Daniel Wallace seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: 5 Ayes/0Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Mrs. Ramsey, Aye; Mrs. Lewis, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye

At 6:00 p.m. the meeting was reconvened into public meeting on the motion by Board Member Mrs. Ramsey and seconded by Board Member Dr. Wallace.

Voice Vote: 5 Ayes/0Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Mrs. Ramsey, Aye; Mrs. Lewis, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

The motion for the approval of the following certification was made by Board Member Dr. Wallace and seconded by Board Member Mrs. Ramsey.

WHEREAS, the Westmoreland County School Board convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712(D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification 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.

Voice Vote: 5 Ayes/0Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Mrs. Ramsey, Aye; Mrs. Lewis, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

The Board was led in prayer by Dr. Perry and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Dr. Wallace read the Westmoreland County Public Schools' mission and vision statements to the public.

### **Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

### **Open Public Comments**

There were no public comments at this time.

### **Consent Agenda**

Dr. Wallace made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Ramsey seconded the motion. Voice Vote: 5 Ayes/0Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Mrs. Ramsey, Aye; Mrs. Lewis, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

- A. Approval of Appointments & Resignations
- B. Approval of Board Minutes
- C. Approval of Bills

### **Action Items**

#### **Donations/School Gifts**

Dr. Perry shared that an anonymous person donated a Performance of *The Maggie Walker* Story to Cople Elementary School (schoolwide). Ms. Lane made the motion to accept the donation. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wallace.

Voice Vote: 5 Ayes/0Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Mrs. Ramsey, Aye; Mrs. Lewis, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

#### **VSBA Policy Updates**

Mr. Fallin reminded the board that Ms. Rice had presented VSBA policy updates at the last board meeting. Mr. Fallin asked if there were any new updates to present. There were no new policy updates. Mr. Fallin asked board members if they had any questions. There were no questions. Mrs. Ramsey made the motion to accept the VSBA policy updates as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lane.

Voice Vote: 5 Ayes/0Nays; Mr. Fallin, Aye; Ms. Lane, Aye; Mrs. Ramsey, Aye; Mrs. Lewis, Aye; Dr. Wallace, Aye.

### **Information Items**

#### **Introduction of New Assistant Principals**

Dr. Perry introduced the new Assistant Principals for 2022-2023:

Montross Middle School	Meghan Smith
Washington District Elementary School	Dawn Tyler
Cople Elementary School	Holly Angel

#### **Facility Update**

Dr. Perry shared pictures and a brief description of some areas of the new high school that the public has not seen.

Dr. Wallace asked if the bronze eagle would be moved to the new school. Dr. Perry responded that it was going to be moved and will probably be relocated near the football field.

Mrs. Lewis asked if anyone noticed that the gym floors were cupping. Dr. Perry said the contractors told him the floors look like they are cupping but they are not. Mrs. Lewis asked if a floor specialist could be brought in to view the floors. Dr. Perry said he would talk to the contractor.

### **Update on First School Board Social for Employees**

Dr. Wallace shared that our first Family Fun Day will be held on September 17, 2022 from 11:00am to 2:00pm at the Helen and Tayloe Murphy Hall at Westmoreland State Park. There will be a picnic with hamburgers, hot dogs, sausages, beans, etc. There will be corn hole, volleyball, a dunk tank, playground for kids, balloon animals, door prizes and more. Board members are asked to help with the food so all employees are free to have fun.

### **Upcoming Events**

Dr. Perry shared upcoming events for Board members.

- July 19, 2022 – VSBA Conference on Education - Richmond
- July 30, 2022 – Westmoreland High School Opening – Montross
- August 3, 2022 – Convocation – Montross
- September 22, 2022 – VSBA Legislative Advocacy Conference – Charlottesville (or virtual)
- November 16-18, 2022 – VSBA Annual Convention - Williamsburg

### **School Board Member Comments**

Ms. Lane shared birdhouses she was given by Roger Coleman. The birdhouses were made by Stefanie Payne's husband.

Ms. Rice asked board members to let her know if they would like to attend the VSBA Conferences on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and November 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Date & Time of Next Board Meeting**

Chair Fallin shared the dates/times of the next Board Meetings:

- School Board Work Session on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 5 pm
- Regular School Board Meeting - Monday, August 15, 2022 - 6 pm

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Dr. Wallace, seconded by Mrs. Ramsey and unanimously approved by Board Members to adjourn the meeting.