

**BRISTOL VIRGINIA SCHOOL BOARD
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING/CALLED SESSION
JULY 1, 2008**

The Bristol Virginia School Board held its annual Organizational Meeting and met in a Called Session on Tuesday, July 1, 2008, at 8:00 a.m. in the School Board Office, 222 Oak Street, Bristol, Virginia.

The following Board members were present:

Mr. Ronald Cameron, Chair
Mr. Eric Clark
Mr. Randall J. White

Mrs. Virginia Goodson, Vice Chair
Mr. Tyrone Foster

Also present were:

Dr. Michael K. Amstein, Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Cathy Moss, Deputy Clerk

Among those in the audience were:

Mrs. Ina Danko

Mrs. Joy Berry

Mrs. Patty Bowers

Ms. Rebecca Meadows

Dr. Terry Caldwell

Mr. Jeff Shelton

Mr. David McGee, *Bristol Herald Courier*

Others may have been present, but failed to sign in.

Mr. Ronald Cameron called the Organizational Meeting to order at approximately 8:10 a.m. He opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Cameron asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Virginia Goodson so moved. Mr. Randy White seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Cameron asked for nominations for Board Chair. Mr. White nominated Mr. Ronald Cameron as Board Chair. Mrs. Goodson seconded the nomination. Mr. Ronald Cameron was unanimously elected to serve as Board Chair.

Mr. Cameron asked for nominations for Board Vice Chair. Mr. White nominated Mrs. Virginia Goodson as Vice Chair. Mr. Eric Clark seconded the nomination. Mrs. Virginia Goodson was unanimously elected to serve as Board Vice Chair.

Mr. Cameron asked for nominations for School Board Clerk. Mrs. Goodson nominated Mrs. Tammy Jones as School Board Clerk. Mr. Clark seconded the nomination. Mrs. Tammy Jones was unanimously elected to serve as School Board Clerk.

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Mr. Cameron asked for nominations for School Board Deputy Clerk. Mrs. Goodson nominated Mrs. Cathy Moss as Deputy School Board Clerk. Mr. Clark seconded the nomination. Mrs. Cathy Moss was unanimously elected to serve as School Board Deputy Clerk.

Mr. Cameron asked for a motion to authorize the superintendent's signature for all grant matters. Mrs. White so moved. Mrs. Goodson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Cameron asked for a motion to select the Board representative to the Governor's School Board. Mr. White moved that Mrs. Goodson continue to serve on the Governor's School Board. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Cameron asked for a motion to select the voting delegate for VSBA Delegate Assembly. Mr. White moved that Mr. Cameron serve as the voting delegate for the VSBA Delegate Assembly. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Cameron asked for a motion to approve the Schedule of Board Meetings for 2008-2009. Mr. White moved approval of the schedule as presented [regular sessions scheduled on the first Monday of the month and called sessions, if needed, scheduled on the third Monday of the month]. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Board members and chair agreed to the following Advisory Committee Appointments for 2008-2009 :

- Career and Technical Education Committee – Mrs. Goodson and Mr. Foster
- Communications Committee – Mr. White and Mr. Cameron
- Advanced Programs Committee – Mr. Clark and Mrs. Goodson
- Curriculum Committee – Mr. White and Mr. Clark
- Special Education Committee – Mrs. Goodson and Mr. Foster
- Health Committee – Mr. Clark and Mrs. Goodson
- Technology Committee – Mr. Foster and Mr. Cameron

Pursuant to Section 2.2-3712(A) of the Code of Virginia, Mrs. Goodson moved that the Board convene a Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following specific matters:

- A. Discussion of Personnel as Authorized by Section 2.2-3711(A) (1) of the Code of Virginia, Specifically:
- (1) Employment of Secondary Art Instructor, VHS
 - (2) Employment of Secondary Social Studies Instructor, VHS
 - (3) Appointment of Acting Superintendent

Mr. Clark seconded the motion, and the Board went into Closed Session at 8:25 a.m.

Back in Public Session at 10:35 a.m., Mrs. Goodson moved Certification of Closed Meeting as such: the Bristol Virginia School Board certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting and only such public matters as were identified in the

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motion convening the closed meeting were considered. Mr. White seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. White moved employment of Mr. Emery Reid as Secondary Social Studies Instructor at Virginia High School. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. (A copy of the letter of recommendation for employment is included with these minutes.)

Mr. White moved appointment of Mrs. Ina Danko as Acting Superintendent. Mr. Clark seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Cameron welcomed Mr. Tyrone Foster to the Board and announced to the central office staff that Mrs. Danko had been appointed to serve as acting superintendent.

It was the consensus of the Board to give employees an additional holiday for the 4th of July. Employees will be off on Thursday, July 3, and Friday, July 4, 2008. It was also the consensus of the Board to reschedule the July 7 Regular Session to July 10, 2008, and add the Board Retreat to this meeting which would begin at 12:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

Mr. Cameron adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:40 a.m.

Cathy M. Moss, Deputy Clerk

Ronald Cameron, Chair