

STAUNTON CITY SCHOOL BOARD
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA
Called Meeting / Board Development Session Minutes
March 22, 2021

The Staunton City School Board convened in the School Board Conference Room, 116 W. Beverley Street, Staunton at 11:15 a.m. on Monday, March 22, 2021, for a board development session with members in attendance as follows:

Kenneth Venable, Chair	Amy Wratchford, Vice-chair		
Robert Boyle (*joined as noted in minutes)	Natasha McCurdy	Christine Poulson	Ronald Ramsey
Dr. Garrett Smith, Superintendent/Deputy Clerk			
Brenda Lovekamp, Clerk			

The Chair called the called meeting / board development session to order.

Closed Meeting

On a motion by Ronald Ramsey, seconded by Natasha McCurdy, the School Board entered into a closed meeting to discuss or consider particular personnel matters, specifically regarding the assignment, evaluation, and/or contract status of one or more employees pursuant to the provisions of Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1).

Votes:	Christine Poulson—aye	Robert Boyle—absent	Kenneth Venable—aye
	Amy Wratchford—aye	Natasha McCurdy—aye	Ron Ramsey—aye

On a motion by Ronald Ramsey, seconded by Christine Poulson, the School Board voted, according to the votes recorded below, to return to open session.

Votes:	Christine Poulson—aye	Robert Boyle—absent	Kenneth Venable—aye
	Amy Wratchford—aye	Natasha McCurdy—aye	Ron Ramsey—aye

On a motion by Ronald Ramsey, seconded by Amy Wratchford, the School Board voted to approve the following certificate:

CERTIFICATION

According to the votes recorded below, the Staunton City School Board does hereby CERTIFY to the best of each member's knowledge:

1. Only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act were discussed in the Closed Meeting to which this certification applies; and
2. Only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the Closed Meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered by the School Board.

Votes:	Christine Poulson—aye	Robert Boyle—absent	Kenneth Venable—aye
	Amy Wratchford—aye	Natasha McCurdy—aye	Ron Ramsey—aye


The Board had a working lunch period, during which:

- The draft agenda for the upcoming April business meeting was reviewed and discussed.
- The updated CDC guidance received by the Superintendent on March 21 regarding physical distancing in schools was reviewed and discussed.

* Robert Boyle joined the Board Development Session at 12:15 p.m. and participated virtually.

Beginning at 12:15 p.m., the Board participated in a Governance Training Session, led by Gina Patterson and Samantha Staebell from the Virginia School Boards Association (VSBA). During this session, the Board and Dr. Smith reviewed and suggested updates to the General Operating Procedures and Agreements, which was last reviewed and approved by the School Board in November 2018. The consensus of the Board was to review and consider this document at a future business meeting.

The Board thanked VSBA for the training session. The VSBA session concluded until 4:30 p.m., at which time the Chair adjourned the board development session.


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CHAIR OF THE BOARD