

STAUNTON CITY SCHOOL BOARD  
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA  
Work Session Minutes  
August 10, 2020

The Staunton City School Board convened in the School Board Conference Room, 116 W. Beverley Street, Staunton on Monday, August 10, 2020, at 5:00 p.m., for a work session with members in attendance as follows:

Kenneth Venable, Chair  
Robert Boyle  
Natasha McCurdy  
Amy Wratchford, Vice-chair  
Christine Poulson  
Ronald Ramsey  
Dr. Garrett Smith, Superintendent/Deputy Clerk  
Brenda Lovekamp, Clerk

**Closed Meeting**

On a motion by Ronald Ramsey, seconded by Amy Wratchford, the School Board entered into a closed meeting: (i) to review the division's crisis, emergency management, and medical emergency response plans, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(19); (ii) for consultation with the board's legal counsel requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel regarding a matter or matters that have been the subject of investigation and review about employee conduct and students that directly involve the disclosure of information contained in the scholastic records of a student or students in the division, pursuant to Virginia Code Sections 2.2-3711(A)(2) and 2.2-3711(A)(8); and (iii) for consultation with the board's legal counsel requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel regarding several federal administrative proceedings, pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(8).

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

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

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

On a motion by Amy Wratchford, seconded by Ronald Ramsey, 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  
Amy Wratchford—aye  
Robert Boyle—aye  
Natasha McCurdy—aye  
Kenneth Venable—aye  
Ron Ramsey—aye

**Calendar Considerations and Conference Opportunities**

The upcoming calendar considerations were reviewed.

**Superintendent's Update**

The Superintendent indicated that his report during the regular meeting would be lengthy and would include a recommendation regarding the school reopening plan.

The Superintendent indicated that interviews would be held soon for the newly created Director of Strategic Planning & Partnerships position, which was created by restructuring an instructional supervisor position.

The work session was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

  
CLERK / DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

  
CHAIR OF THE BOARD