

Regular Meeting Minutes

KING AND QUEEN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Central High School Auditorium King and Queen Court House, Virginia 23085 Wednesday, January 19, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the King & Queen School Board was held on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Central High School Auditorium. The Closed Session preceded the meeting in the Library at 6:00 p.m.

Celestine Gaines, Board Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following members were present:

Celestine Gaines, Board Chair
Howard Hill, Vice Chair
Shannon Amos, Board Member
Harwood Hall, Board Member
Brenda Lee, Board Member

Also present:
Dr. Carol B. Carter, Superintendent
Emma Hundley, Board Clerk

Members absent:
There were no members absent.

Closed Session

Ms. Gaines called for a motion to enter into closed session at 6:28 p.m. Mr. Hill moved to enter into Closed Session to discuss under Subsection (A) (1) Personnel Recommendations (A) (2) Discipline, and Mrs. Amos seconded the motion. The motion carried as indicated by voice vote; 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Reconvene to Open Session in the Auditorium

At 7:00 p.m., Ms. Gaines called for a motion to reconvene to Open Session. Mr. Hill so moved and Mrs. Amos seconded. The voice vote was as follows: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Certification and Roll Call

Ms. Gaines asked for a motion to certify Closed Session. Mr. Hill so moved. Ms. Gaines read the following:

Mr. Hill made a motion that WHEREAS, the King and Queen School Board convened a Closed Session on January 19, 2022 pursuant to an affirmative

recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), and WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires certification by the School Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia Law. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the King and Queen School Board hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge, (a) any public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under FOIA and (b) only such business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting.

Ms. Gaines asked for a second. Ms. Hall seconded the motion. The voice vote approved the motion to certify; 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines asked the Board Clerk to certify Closed Session. Roll Call to certify was as follows: Gaines; Certify Amos; Certify Hall; Certify Hill; Certify Lee; Certify

Ms. Gaines asked if there were any motions from Closed Session.

Dr. Carter stated that Personnel Recommendations are included in the Consent Agenda, but a separate vote was needed on the Discipline recommendations. Mr. Hill moved to accept the Discipline recommendations and Mrs. Amos seconded. The Discipline Committee voted unanimously to approve the Discipline recommendations; Amos; aye Gaines; aye Hill; aye

Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Gaines asked everyone to stand, and she led The Pledge of Allegiance.

School Board Reorganization

Every year, the School Board is required to reorganize.

Ms. Gaines called for nominations for School Board Chair. Mr. Hill nominated Celestine Gaines to serve as School Board Chair. Mrs. Amos seconded the motion. The motion carried with a voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines called for nominations for School Board Vice Chair. Ms. Hall nominated Mr. Hill to serve as School Board Vice Chair. Mrs. Amos seconded the motion. The motion carried with a voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines called for nominations for School Board Clerk. Mr. Hill nominated Emma Hundley to serve as School Board Clerk. Ms. Lee seconded the motion. The motion carried with a voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines called for nominations for Deputy Clerk. Mr. Hill nominated Anne Kennedy to serve as School Board Deputy Clerk. Mrs. Amos seconded the motion. The motion carried with a voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines called for nominations for Chesapeake Bay Governor's School Representative. Mr. Hill nominated Celestine Gaines to serve as Chesapeake Bay

Governor's School Representative. Mrs. Amos seconded the motion. The motion carried with a voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines called for nominations for Maggie L. Walker Governor's School Representative. Mr. Hill nominated Harwood Hall to serve as Maggie L. Walker Governor's School Representative. Ms. Lee seconded the motion. The motion carried with a voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Ms. Gaines called for nominations for Bridging Communities Regional Career & Technology Center Representative. Mr. Hill nominated Harwood Hall to serve as Bridging Communities Regional Career & Technology Center Representative. Ms. Lee seconded the motion. The motion carried with a voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines called for nominations for Regional Middle Peninsula Special Education Representative. Mr. Hill nominated Shannon Amos to serve as Regional Middle Peninsula Special Education Representative. Ms. Hall seconded the motion. The motion carried with a voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There were none. Ms. Gaines called for a motion to adopt the agenda. Mr. Hill so moved and Ms. Lee seconded the motion. The motion carried with a voice vote; 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Presentations

Lawson-Marriott Instructional Highlights – Dr. Rob Wright

Dr. Wright shared a video showing students in class during instruction at Lawson-Marriott Elementary School. He included students from Kindergarten through Sixth Grade.

Principal Appreciation Week – Dr. Carol Carter

In honor of Principal Appreciation Week, Dr. Carter called the principal and assistant principal from each school forward, presented each with a certificate, and thanked them for their hard work and dedication.

Apple Awards - Mrs. Allison Jordan

The Central High School (CHS) Apple Award was presented to Mr. Ted Magala for the great number of things he does for the students, the staff, and the school as a whole.

The CHS Middle School Apple Award was presented to Mr. James Bonner for, among things, being an all around team player.

Doreen Piggott was named the King and Queen Elementary School (KQES) Apple Award recipient of the Helping Hands Award for her always being there to lend a helping hand.

The Lawson-Marriott Elementary School Apple Award Helping Hands Award was presented to Ms. Becky Lane. She serves as a Paraprofessional and a Bus Driver.

The Division-wide Apple Award was presented to Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Allison Jordan for her hard work and contribution to the students, staff and community of King and Queen County Public Schools.

Board and Superintendent comments

The School Board thanked the school staff for their hard work, congratulated the Apple award recipients, thanked Dr. Wright for sharing the video and showing students in action. School Board Representative, Natashja Stone, in response to Governor Youngkin's Executive Order, reported that the students at CHS want to keep masking. Board Chair, Ms. Celestine Gaines, stated that 'We are 'One Team, One Mission'. We don't always agree, but we work together to ensure everyone gets a quality education."

Consent Agenda

Ms. Gaines called for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Hill so moved and Mrs. Amos seconded. The motion carried as indicated by roll call vote:

Amos; aye Gaines; aye Hall; aye Hill; aye Lee; aye

The Consent Agenda included the following:

- A. Approval of Minutes
Regular Meeting - December 15, 2021
- B. Next Meeting Dates:
Budget Work Session - January 27, 2022 (6 p.m.)
Superintendent's Proposed Budget Presentation - February 3, 2022, (6 p.m.)
School Board Budget Public Hearing and Work Session - February 10, 2022 (6 p.m.)
Regular Meeting - Feb 16, 2022 Closed Session (6 p.m.) Regular Meeting (7p.m.)
- C. Payment of Bills
- D. Payment of second Batch of Bills
- E. Personnel Report

The Personnel report was as follows;

Resignations: Kyle Talbott - Teacher, CHS, effective 6/30/2022; James Giaramito, Paraprofessional, CHS, effective 6/30/2022

Retirements: Daniel Dolan, Teacher, CHS, effective 6/30/2022; Sharon Norman, Teacher, LMES, effective 6/30/2022; Robin Teller, Teacher, KQES, effective 6/30/2022; Constance Holmes, Driver, CHS, effective 6/30/2022; Sheila Norman, Cafeteria staff, KQES, effective 6/30/2022

Appointments: Juliet Smith, Substitute Custodian, KQES; Elizabeth Hurst, Substitute Cafeteria and Substitute Custodian, KQES; Julia Martin, Car Driver, Division-wide

Informational Items

Superintendent's Monthly Report - Dr. Carol Carter

Dr. Carter shared with the Board that she reads to classes each month, and in December she read to the 4th Grade students at King and Queen Elementary and at Lawson-Marriott.

Several grants had been awarded to King and Queen County Public Schools. Dr. Carter thanked the staff members for their hard work to secure the grants.

Dr. Carter reported that Covid-19 test kits have been received and two vaccination clinics have been held.

Basketball games are going forward.

Faith Groups are being considered in which churches can adopt a school.

Special Education December 1 Child Count - Mrs. Stephanie Lambrecht

Mrs. Lambrecht reported the number of Special Education students in the King and Queen County Public Schools as of December 1, 2021 and the percentage of time students spend receiving services.

2nd Quarter Fundraisers, Financial Summary and Donations and Grants

Mrs. Emma Hundley, Chief Financial Officer, presented the 2nd quarter fundraisers, Financial Summary Report and December Donations and Grants.

Action Items

Ms. Gaines called for a motion to approve the Donations and Grants. Mr. Hill so moved and Mrs. Amos seconded. The roll call vote showed that the motion carried:

Amos; aye Gaines; aye Hall; aye Hill; aye Lee; aye

Ms. Gaines called for a motion to approve the CHS Track Restoration Project. Mr. Hill so moved and Ms. Hall seconded. The roll call vote showed that the motion carried:

Amos; aye Gaines; aye Hall; aye Hill; aye Lee; aye

Ms. Gaines called for a motion to approve the Updated Mitigation Plan. Mr. Hill so moved and Ms. Hall seconded. The voice vote showed that the motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines called for a motion to approve the Human Resources Employee Referral. Mr. Hill so moved and Mrs. Amos seconded. The roll call showed that the motion carried:

Amos; aye Gaines; aye Hall; aye Hill; aye Lee; aye

Ms. Gaines called for a motion to approve the School Board Work Session being changed from February 3, 2022 to February 7, 2022. Mr. Hill so moved and Ms. Hall seconded. The voice vote showed that the motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines called for a motion to approve the updated School Board policy GBMA. Mr. Hill so moved and Ms. Hall seconded. The voice vote showed that the motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Ms. Gaines called for a motion to approve the updated School Board policy JGD/JGE. Mr. Hill so moved and Ms. Hall seconded. The voice vote showed that the motion carried: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Future Action Items

The Future Action Items include;

- A. Proposed School Calendar 2022-2023
- B. Adoption of Superintendent's 2022-2023 Budget
- C. Elementary and Secondary Program of Studies
- D. School Faith Groups

Public Comment Period

Ms. Gaines read the procedure to be followed for Public Comment.

The following people signed up to speak:

Brian Sterlachini, Buena Vista District, spoke against masks being required.

Jenny Powell, CHS Teacher, spoke in favor of masks being required in schools.

Cynthia Lester, CHS Teacher, spoke in favor of masks being required in schools.

Daniel Camp, Buena Vista District, spoke against masks being required.

Adjournment

At 8:20 p.m., Ms. Gaines called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hill so moved and Ms. Gaines declared the meeting adjourned.

There were 45 people in attendance.

Celestine Gaines, Board Chair

Emma Hundley, Clerk