

**BUENA VIST CITY SCHOOL BOARD**  
**BUENA VISTA, VIRGINIA**  
**MINUTES FOR SCHOOL BOARD REORGANIZATION MEETING**  
**JANUARY 13, 2022**  
**5:30 PM**  
**W. P. RAMSEY EDUCATION CENTER**

School Board Members present: Teresa Ellison, Wayne Flint, Lisa Kerr, John Roberts, John Rice, Roy Mohler and Allen Felts. Also present: Dr. Tony Francis, Gennifer Miller and Sandra Mohler.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Francis at 5:30 pm. Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence was observed.

Wayne Flint made the motion to approve the Agenda. It was seconded by Mac Felts and passed by a 7 -0 vote.

Dr. Francis – The floor is open for nominations for Chair. Wayne Flint nominated Teresa Ellison as Chair. Do we have any other nominations for Chair? There were no other nominations. The nomination of Teresa Ellison as Chair passed by a unanimous 7-0 vote.

Chair Ellison conducted the meeting from this point on.

The floor is now open for nominations for Vice-Chair.

Wayne Flint made a motion to not make any changes and keep everything the same as last year. Chair Ellison – You mean as in Vice-Chair, policy committee, finance committee, and construction committee. Mr. Flint – yes including Clerk, Deputy Clerk, VSBA delegates and governor school representative.

Chair Ellison – Does anyone have any questions or wish to discuss or have any objections to Mr. Flint's motion?

Dr. Francis – I would like to recommend Sandy Mohler as the School Board Clerk and Sherrie Wheeler as the Deputy Clerk.

Governor School representative – Teresa Ellison

VSBA delegates – Teresa Ellison as delegate and Lisa Kerr as Alternate

Finance Committee – Wayne Flint, John Rice and Roy Mohler

Policy Committee - Lisa Kerr, Mac Felts and John Roberts

Construction Committee – Mac Felts, Roy Mohler and Dr. Francis

It was seconded by John Rice and passed by a 7-0 vote.

Date and time of Board meetings - Mac Felts made the motion to hold School Board meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Ramsey Center. It was seconded by John Roberts and passed by a 7-0 vote.

Policy Committee and Finance Committee date and time – Chair Ellison – Policy Committee are usually scheduled as needed. Finance Committee – meetings will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 5:00 pm.

VSBA – Code of Conduct for School Board Members – Every member signed the Code of Conduct. It will be kept on file.

Code of Conduct for School Board Clerks – Chair Ellison asked Sandy to go over what is in the Clerks Code of Conduct. It basically a duplicate of the code of conduct for School Board Member. Clerks communicate in accordance with board policies, they refrain from using the position for personal gain, avoid conflict of interest,

confidentially of privileged information, be up to date on current educational issues and to improve and enhance the teaching and learning experience for all students in the school system. Motion was made by Wayne Flint to approve the Code of Conduct for School Board Clerks. It was seconded by Lisa Kerr and passed by a 7-0 vote.

Dr. Francis – I included in your School Board packet a copy of the updated k12 quarantine & isolation guidance from the CDC.

Sara Knick – As of today we have 1 positive staff member 0 quarantined and 6 positive student cases and 36 quarantined. Things are improving.

Dr. Francis – with the change in the number of quarantine days to 5, it is helping staff come back to work quicker. Students won't miss as much instruction time. We are not seeing any major outbreaks.

Sara Knick – I feel a lot more comfortable with the new guidelines.

Dr. Francis – of the students who have quarantined only about 1% actually came down with COVID. We are not seeing cases because of close contact in schools. The cases are coming from contacts outside of the school, which we cannot control. Brad King is going to talk to you tonight in closed session about the mask issues. At 3 today the U.S. Supreme Court struck down the OSHA mandate requiring employers with 100 or more employees to test unvaccinated employees weekly. We were waiting for this decision. VSBA policy for testing will probably become an optional, only if schools want to do testing.

Mac Felts - Will this strike down the 1303 law?

Dr. Francis – Brad King will give an update on that also. I felt the Board needed to hear from Brad King to help understand all issues involved.

Since we have no visitors, we will dispense with Welcome of visitors.

Wayne Flint made the motion that we go into Closed Session for consultation with legal counsel retained by the School Board for legal advice pertaining to mitigation strategies according to {State Law §2.2-3711 (A) (8)} and for the consideration and discussion of personnel matters as it relates to performance, appointments, resignations and retirements according to {State Law §2.2-3711 (A) (1)} It was seconded by Mac Felts and pass by a 7-0 vote.

Wayne Flint made the motion to adjourn Closed Session. It was seconded by Mac Felts and passed by a 7-0 vote.

The certification was read and the Board was polled.

Mr. Felts – yes

Mr. Roberts – yes

Mrs. Kerr – yes

Mr. Flint – yes

Mr. Rice - yes

Mr. Mohler-yes

Ms. Ellison – yes

Motion was made by Lisa Kerr to accept the resignation of Beverly Clark as a custodian at PMHS effective Jan 7, 2022. It was seconded by Mac Felts and passed by a 7-0 vote.

Lisa Kerr made the motion to accept the resignation of Vanessa Bowyer as a Long Term Sub at PMHS effective Jan 30, 2022. It was seconded by Wayne Flint and passed by a 7-0 vote.

Wayne Flint made the motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Mac Felts and passed by a 7-0 vote.

Teresa R. Ellison  
Teresa Ellison, Chair

24 February 2022  
Date

Sandra Mohler  
Sandra Mohler, Clerk

2/24/2022  
Date