

The Governor's School of Southside Virginia

Joint School Board Meeting Minutes

Nottoway County School Board Office

10321 E Colonial Trail, Nottoway Court House, VA 23955

February 19, 2020

**Present:**

**Joint Board Members:**

Elizabeth Burns – Brunswick

Christine Ross – Cumberland

Janey Bush - Greenville

Barry Carnes – Lunenburg

Dora Garner – Mecklenburg

Shelli Hinton – Nottoway

James Dumminger – Prince Edward

**Superintendents:**

Lori Harper – Amelia

Daisy Hicks – Buckingham

Robbie Mason – Charlotte

Amy Griffin – Cumberland

Charles Berkley - Lunenburg

Paul Nichols– Mecklenburg

**GSSV Director:** Wesley Swain

**GSSV Administrative Assistant** – Connie Tucker

**Also present:** Gloria Smith – School Board member - Mecklenburg

**Absent:**

Bonnie Vega, Board Member – Amelia

Kristy Somerville-Midgette, Superintendent - Brunswick

Sherry Ragland, Board Member – Buckingham

Gloria Talbott, Board Member – Charlotte

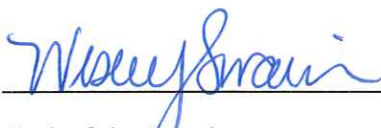
Kim Evans, Superintendent – Greenville

Tameshia Grimes, Superintendent - Nottoway

Barbara Johnson, Superintendent – Prince Edward

- I. **Call to Order:** Dora Garner called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance** – led by Dora Garner
- III. **Moment of Silence** – Dora Garner called for moment of silence.

- IV. **Approval of Agenda** – Barry Carnes moved to amend agenda to add Closed Session, Janey Bush seconded. Motion passed.
- V. **Approval of Minutes from October 16, 2019** – Shelli Hinton moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Elizabeth Burns. Motion passed.  
Mrs. Garner recommended that each School Board have an alternate member for the Joint Board of The Governor’s School of Southside Virginia.
- VI. **Salary Study Report** – Dr. Bonny Wilson, VASS presented her findings via PowerPoint. Discussion followed.
- VII. **Director’s Report** – Mrs. Swain gave a PowerPoint presentation for her report.
- VIII. **Public Comment** – N/A
- IX. **Closed Session** – On a motion by Christine Ross, seconded by Elizabeth Burns and unanimously carried, The Board entered closed session under Section 2.2-3711(A)(1) of the Code of Virginia for discussion/consideration of personnel. Barry Carnes moved to return to Open Session, seconded by Elizabeth Burns. Motion passed.
- X. **Action Items**
- a. **Salary Scale** – Elizabeth Burns moved to accept as presented, seconded by Christine Ross. Motion passed.
  - b. **Personnel Change** – Elizabeth Burns moved to accept Deborah Hamilton’s resignation, seconded by Shelli Hinton. Motion passed. Shelli Hinton moved to hire a Biology teacher, seconded by Barry Carnes. Roll call vote – Five ayes, one opposed. Motion passed.
  - c. **Calendar Change** - Shelli Hinton moved to make April 13, Easter Monday, a holiday for GSSV, seconded by Elizabeth Burns. Motion passed.
- VII. **Certification** – On a motion by Barry Carnes and seconded by Elizabeth Burns, the GSSV Board made the following unanimous certification: Whereas, the Joint Board of GSSV has convened a closed session on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and Whereas, Section 2.1-344.1(D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this School Board that such closed session was conducted in conformity with Virginia law; Now, therefore, be it resolved that the GSSV Joint Board hereby certifies that, the best of each member’s knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted by Virginia law were discussed in the closed session to which this certification applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed session were heard, discussed or considered. The motion passed unanimously.
- XI. **Adjournment** – On a motion by Dora Garner, seconded by Elizabeth Burns, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 20, 2020, at 4 p.m.



Clerk of the Board



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