

**Lynchburg City School Board
Special Meeting
June 28, 2011**

**BOARD
MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Mary Ann H. Barker, Chairman
Thomas H. Webb, Vice Chairman
Keith R. Anderson
Albert L. Billingsly
Regina T. Dolan-Sewell
Troy L. McHenry
Trenay L. Tweedy
J. Marie Waller
Charles B. White

**BOARD
MEMBERS
ABSENT:**

None

**ADMINISTRATION
PRESENT:**

William A. Coleman, Jr., Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction
Edward R. Witt, Jr., Assistant Superintendent of Operations and Administration
April M. Bruce, Director of Testing, Guidance, and Gifted Education
Leigh F. Farmer, Public Information Officer
Merle P. Herndon, Director of Professional Development and School Business Partnerships
Michael K. Rudder, Director of Elementary Education

**MEDIA
PRESENT:**

Jessie Pounds, *The News & Advance*

**Agenda
Items:**

- A-1. Public Announcement
- B. Board Comments
- C-1. Notice of Closed Meeting
- C-2. Certification of Closed Meeting
- D. Adjournment

The Lynchburg City School Board met for its regular meeting at 6:33 p.m. in the Board Room at the School Administration Building. Mrs. Barker opened the meeting and requested that those in attendance stand and recite *The Pledge of Allegiance*.

A-1. Public Announcement

Mrs. Barker announced that the school board had selected an individual as acting superintendent for the month of July.

Upon MOTION by Mr. McHenry, SECONDED by Mr. Billingsly, the school board appointed Mr. William A. Coleman, Jr., as acting superintendent for the period July 1 – 31, 2011.

Yes Votes: Mrs. Barker, Mr. Webb, Rev. Anderson, Mr. Billingsly, Dr. Dolan-Sewell, Mr. McHenry, Ms. Waller, Mr. White

No Votes: None

Abstentions: None

B. Board Comments

Mrs. Barker announced that pursuant to the Code of Virginia § 2.2-3712 (B), during the next 15 days the Lynchburg City School Board will hold closed meetings at undisclosed locates for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the position of interim superintendent.

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Mrs. Barker stated that with the retirement of Mr. Webb from the school board, a representative for the Legislative Positions Committee for the Virginia School Boards Association would need to be appointed. The school board appointed Ms. Waller as representative to that committee.

Mrs. Barker reviewed information provided by the clerk to members of the school board regarding information solicited from other school board clerks in the state who had recently participated in superintendent searches. A copy of the city's procurement guidelines were also provided to school board members. The school board will solicit bids from consulting firms rather than advertising requests for proposals. Further discussion regarding this topic will occur at the July 12, 2011, school board meeting.

Members of the school board expressed their appreciation to Mrs. Barker for her leadership as school board chairman and the grace and poise with which she carried out her duties.

C-1. Notice of Closed Meeting

Upon MOTION by Mr. McHenry, SECONDED by Dr. Dolan-Sewell, the school board convened a closed meeting pursuant to the Code of Virginia §2.2-3711 (A) (1) to discuss employee appointments, employee compensation, and employee performance.

Yes Votes: Mrs. Barker, Mr. Webb, Rev. Anderson, Mr. Billingsly, Dr. Dolan-Sewell, Mr. McHenry, Ms. Waller, Mr. White

No Votes: None

Abstentions: None

Mrs. Tweedy arrived at 7:00 p.m.

C-2. Certification of Closed Meeting

Upon MOTION by Mr. White, SECONDED by Mr. Billingsly, the school board reconvened in open session at 8:14 p.m.

Yes Votes: Mrs. Barker, Mr. Webb, Rev. Anderson, Mr. Billingsly, Dr. Dolan-Sewell, Mr. McHenry, Mrs. Tweedy, Ms. Waller, Mr. White

No Votes: None

Abstentions: None

Upon MOTION by Mr. Billingsly, SECONDED by Rev. Anderson, the school board approved by roll call vote the following Certification of Closed Meeting:

The Lynchburg City School Board certifies that, in the closed meeting just concluded, nothing was discussed except the matters specifically identified in the motion to convene in a closed meeting and lawfully permitted to be so discussed under the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act cited in that motion.

Yes Votes: Mrs. Barker, Mr. Webb, Rev. Anderson, Mr. Billingsly, Dr. Dolan-Sewell, Mr. McHenry, Mrs. Tweedy, Ms. Waller, Mr. White

No Votes: None

Abstentions: None

D. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Mary Ann H. Barker, Chairman

Wendie L. Sullivan, Clerk