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School Board Regular Meeting MINUTES **Tuesday, March 22, 2022**

School Administration Building #6, Municipal Center
2512 George Mason Drive
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Closed Session (Einstein Lab): Chairwoman Rye began the closed session at 3:32 p.m. on the 22nd day of March 2022 in the Einstein Lab and provided a brief welcome. Vice Chair Melnyk made a motion, seconded by Ms. Riggs, that the School Board recess into Closed Session to deliberate on the following matters: into a closed meeting pursuant to the exemptions from open meetings allowed by Section 2.2-3711, Part A 1 and 8, Paragraph of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, for

1. Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body; namely to discuss the:
 - A. Employee Dismissal Grievance No: 529-03-09-22 - namely for the School Board to make a determination on a grievant's appeal of a dismissal from employment.
 - B. Employee Grievance No: 530-03-14-22 - namely to consider employee request for waiver of time period to file for the next step in the grievance procedure.
2. Consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to permit the closure or meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter: namely for a discussion of status of pending matters.

There were eight (8) ayes in favor of the motion to recess into closed session: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs. The motion passed 8-0-0.

Individuals present for discussion in the order in which matter were discussed:

Ms. Sharon Felton arrived at the closed session at 3:37 p.m. School Board Legal Counsel, Kamala H. Lannetti, Deputy City Attorney and Cheryl Woodhouse, Chief Human Resources Officer departed the closed session at 3:39 p.m. before discussions regarding employee grievances.

- B. Employee Grievance No: 530-03-14-22: School Board members: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs; Regina M. Toneatto, Clerk of the Board.

- A. Employee Grievance No: 529-03-09-22: School Board members: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs; Regina M. Toneatto, Clerk of the Board.

The School Board reconvened at 3:59 p.m.

Certification of Closed Session: Vice Chair Melnyk read the Certification of Closed Session:

WHEREAS, the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach has convened a closed meeting 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 2.2-3712 (D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this School Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered.

Ms. Manning made the motion for the Certification of Closed Session, seconded by Ms. Anderson. There were nine (9) ayes in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs. The motion passed 9-0-0.

Vice Chair Melnyk made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes that in Employee Grievance No: 530-03-14-22 employee request for waiver of time period to file for the next step in the grievance procedure, the School Board has considered the employee's request and resolves that the School Board denies the employee's request for waiver of the employee's grievance time period to file for the next step in the grievance procedure. There were nine (9) ayes in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs. The motion passed 9-0-0.

Vice Chair Melnyk read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION REGARDING GRIEVANCE CASE NO. 529-03-09-22

RESOLVED: That on March 22, 2022, the School Board considered the Disciplinary Decision of the Chief Human Resources Officer, the transcripts of the February 24, 2022 hearing, and the exhibits, and it is;

RESOLVED: That the School Board adopts the Disciplinary Decision of the Chief Human Resources Officer that the Grievant be dismissed from employment; and

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the Grievant, the City Attorney, the Employee Relations Specialist, the Executive Director of the Office of Transportation and Fleet Management Services, and the Chief Human Resources Officer, who is directed to place a copy of this Resolution, the Disciplinary Decision of the Chief Human Resources Officer, and exhibits in the Grievant's personnel file.

Adopted by the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach this 22nd day of March 2022.

Ms. Anderson made the motion, seconded by Ms. Franklin. There were nine (9) ayes in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs. The motion passed 9-0-0.

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The Closed Session ended at 4:03 p.m.

- 1. Administrative, Informal, and Workshop:** Chairwoman Rye convened the administrative, informal, and workshop session at 4:00 p.m. on the 22nd day of March 2022 and announced members of the public will be able to observe the School Board meeting through live streaming on vbschools.com, broadcast on VBTV Channel 47 and on Zoom. It is the School Board's protocol to break at 5:30 p.m. to prepare for the Formal Session at 6:00 p.m. At 5:30 p.m., the School Board will conclude unless the School Board votes to continue to no later than 5:45 p.m. to allow the School Board and the School Administration to prepare for the Formal Session of the School Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

The following members were present in the School Board chamber: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs.

Ms. Owens was not in attendance due to a personal matter; and Ms. Weems was not in attendance due to a personal health matter.

- A. School Board Administrative Matters and Reports:** Chairwoman Rye mentioned the Daughter's of the American Revolution event at Kempsville High School, four teachers were recognized and a student from each of the high schools; Virginia Beach Arts Center exhibit open until March 27, student artwork – students wrote poems and local artists created a portrait for the poem; and Connect with a Wish group had an event with a guest speaker, about 75 students were present.
- B. Forecast of Regular School Board Meeting Agenda Topics FY 22 – 4th Quarter: April, May, June:** Superintendent Spence provided the School Board a forecast of agenda topics to be presented during the fourth quarter – April, May, and June 2022; some topics included: transportation update, school resource officers update, PPEA update, budget reconciliation; compensation philosophy; employee input survey results; family and community engagement update; Virtual Virginia update; noted that topics are subject to change. The presentation continued with comments and questions regarding meet and confer; renewal of VSBA annual dues; Recovery School Program; summer retreat.
- C. Educational Equity Update:** LaQuiche Parrott, Ed.D., Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and Lisa Banicky, Ph.D., Executive Director of Planning, Innovation and Accountability presented the School Board an educational equity update; Dr. Parrott provide an overview of the presentation; reviewed timeline of key actions, three community input opportunities, formed the administrative educational equity committee; Equity Council restructuring: January 2022 – revised application and call to action, 62 applications received, meeting will occur monthly beginning April 7, 2022, members to be assigned to workgroups in support of *Compass to 2025*; reviewed member structure of the administrative educational equity committee; provided an overview of February 23, 2022 administrative educational equity planning committee meeting – welcome and introductions, charge of the committee, planning context and process, surfacing hopes and fears related to the development of an equity plan.

Dr. Banicky continued the presentation; reviewed stakeholder input opportunities; listening sessions – three participant groups (secondary students, parents, staff), 278 participants, conducted March 1-17; reviewed key themes from listening sessions: what VBCPS does well, barriers/inequities, suggestions for advancing equity, hiring, retaining, and promoting teacher and administrators of color, addressing student discipline disparities, increasing access to rigorous learning opportunities for all; stakeholder input opportunities – feedback forum (virtual), hosted on DEI page on vbschools.com, open March 4-20, 57 participants generated 80 comments; reviewed next steps: Equity Planning Survey March 29-April 17, May 2022 – review survey results, June 2022 – continued drafting of action plans and input on key metrics, late June 2022 - finalize action plans and review key metrics. The presentation continued with comments and questions regarding timeline; differences between equity planning survey and feedback form; number of participants; student participants for listening session; modeling process similar to strategic planning process.

- 2. Closed Session:** There was a closed session at 3:32 p.m. prior to the administrative, informal, and workshop session.
- 3. School Board Recess:** Chairwoman Rye adjourned the administrative, informal, and workshop session at 5:06 p.m.
- 4. Formal Meeting (School Board Chambers)**

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5. Call to Order and Roll Call: Chairwoman Rye convened the meeting of the School Board in the School Board chamber at 6:00 p.m. on the 22nd day of March 2022 and noted members of the public will be able to observe the School Board meeting through livestreaming on vbschools.com, broadcast on VBT Channel 47, and on Zoom.

The following members were present in the School Board chamber: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs.

Ms. Owens was not in attendance due to a personal matter; and Ms. Weems was not in attendance due to a personal health matter.

6. Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

7. Student, Employee and Public Awards and Recognition

A. National Board Certified Teachers: The School Board recognized the following eight National Board Certified Teachers:

- Charlene Barrow, a fourth-grade teacher at Red Mill Elementary School, received National Board certification in the area of exceptional needs specialist for early childhood through young adulthood.
- Dawn Brown, a fifth-grade teacher at North Landing Elementary School, received National Board certification in the area of generalist for middle childhood.
- Chirag Chhaya, a science teacher at Princess Anne High School, received National Board certification in the area of science for adolescence and young adulthood.
- Christy Flanagan, a kindergarten teacher at Salem Elementary School, received National Board certification in the area of generalist for early childhood.
- Jacquelyn McGuire-Day, a library media specialist at Lynnhaven Elementary School, received National Board certification in the area of library media for early childhood through young adulthood.
- Megan Richardson, a social studies teacher at Plaza Middle School, received National Board certification in the area of social studies and history for early adolescence.
- Amy Ricks, library media specialist at Brandon Middle School, received National Board certification in the area of library media for early childhood through young adulthood.
- Julia Schwenke, an English teacher at Floyd E. Kellam High School, received National Board certification in the area of English language arts for adolescence and young adulthood.

B. Landstown High School – State Wrestling Champion: The School Board recognized Adonis Lattimore, a senior at Landstown High School, who became a VHSL Group 6 Wrestling State Champion in the 106-pound weight class. His own quote seems to serve as the best reminder of encouragement and perseverance – “You can do anything – even with a state championship without legs.”

8. Adoption of the Agenda: Chairwoman Rye noted two modifications to the agenda: (1) removal of Action item #12C – New Course Proposal – Data Science; and (2) adjustment of 12C to read Journalism IV instead of originally presented as Journalism V. Without any additional modifications, Chairwoman Rye called for a motion to approve the agenda as modified. Ms. Holtz made the motion, seconded by Ms. Riggs. Chairwoman Rye called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were nine (9) ayes in favor of the motion to approve the agenda as modified: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs. The motion passed 9-0-0.

9. Superintendent’s Report: Superintendent Spence shared the following information: 1) Spring Break begins with an adjusted dismissal day for students, Friday, April 8; Spring Break is April 11-15; return to school on Monday, April 18 which is the start of the fourth and final quarter of the school year; 2) In the month of March – highlighted Procurement Appreciation Day and Human Resources Appreciation Day; 3) highlighted National School Breakfast Week which aims to remind the entire school community that school breakfast provides a healthy and energizing start to the day for students; 4) recognized Barbara Donecuff, a baker/cook at Kellam High School, who won the School Nutrition Association’s employee of the year award for our Virginia Beach 4E Chapter; 5) recognized Bonnie Gasset, cafeteria manager from Landstown High School, for two different awards this month, one through the School Nutrition

Association for Manager of the Year for our Virginia Beach 4E Chapter; second award through the VDOE's Virginia Breakfast Club; 6) Virginia Beach Education Foundation is holding a Beach Bags food drive Thursday, March 24, at Pembroke Mall in the Kohl's parking lot from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; 7) Thursday, March 24 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., virtual Family Connection session as part of the 3 E series: Enlist; 8) recognized Skeyla Asadi, 8th grade student at Great Neck Middle School, who won WHRO's 2022 regional spelling bee.

10. Approval of Meeting Minutes

A. March 8, 2022 Regular School Board Meeting: Chairwoman Rye called for any modifications to the March 8, 2022 regular School Board meeting minutes as presented. Hearing none, Chairwoman Rye called for a motion to approve the March 8, 2022 meeting minutes as presented. Ms. Hughes made the motion, seconded by Ms. Anderson. Without discussion, Chairwoman Rye called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were nine (9) ayes in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs. The motion passed 9-0-0.

11. Public Comments (until 8:00 p.m.): Chairwoman Rye announced the School Board will hear public comments on matters relevant to PreK-12 public education in Virginia Beach and the business of the School Board and the School Division from citizens and delegations who signed up with the School Board Clerk prior to the meeting. Chairwoman Rye mentioned information regarding speaker process, decorum and order, and submitting comments via group email.

There were nine (9) in person speakers; topics discussed were National Month of the Military Child; code of conduct; Bylaws; online English textbook; health mitigations during lunch time; School Board decorum; equity; First Amendment Rights; limiting access; retention of staff and compensation; social media; BYOD (bring your own device) guidelines; and apps on Chromebooks.

The public comments ended at 6:47 p.m.

12. Information

- A. Interim Financial Statements – February 2022: Daniel Hopkins, Director of Business Services presented the following financial information as of February 28, 2022 to the School Board: overall revenue trend remains acceptable at this point in the fiscal year; waiting for information on the state budget, updated forthcoming after final legislative action; federal revenues are showing an acceptable trend; received Impact Aid payments of approximately \$10 million year-to-date; sale tax receipts are at an acceptable level; year to date through February, approximately \$7.5 million higher than same time last year; expenditures and encumbrances trend continues to remain acceptable at this point in the fiscal year.
- B. 2022-23 Special Education Annual Plan/Part B Flow Through Application: Roni Myers-Daub, Ed.D., Executive Director of Programs for Exceptional Children presented the School Board information on the 2022-23 Special Education Annual Plan/Part B Flow-Through Application; provided information regarding the annual review; reviewed by local special education advisory committee (SEAC); statement of assurances – a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) will be available, an individual Education Program (IEP) will be maintained, children with disabilities will be educated with children without disabilities to the maximum extent appropriate, policies and procedures are designed and maintained to prevent over-identification or disproportionate representation; reviewed additional components of plan – Local Jail Education Program (JEP), Maintenance of Effort (MOE), Proportionate Set-Aside (PSA), Title VI-B Grant Funds; budget information - reviewed the 2022-23 proposed part B Section 611 budget \$ 15,241,466 (personnel, benefits, administrative costs) & 619 budget \$ 517,711 (personnel, benefits, administrative costs, professional development, materials/supplies); Ms. Dodie McGuire, Chair, Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) provided the SEAC review and input, recommended to approve the plan. The presentation continued with a brief discussion regarding budget; regional program and VDOE.
- C. New Course Proposals:
1. Data Science: This item was removed from the agenda. See item #8 Adoption of the Agenda.
 2. Journalism IV: Angela Seiders, Executive Director Secondary, Department of Teaching and Learning presented the School Board information regarding the proposed course Journalism IV; Journalism IV offers continued practical experience in print and online media; students will exhibit leadership skills by: producing, editing, publishing and managing articles for student publications, understanding ethics and laws, producing a culminating portfolio; reviewed major learning objectives: history and the legal and ethical aspects of

- journalism, role of mass communication, proficiency in a variety of journalistic writing styles, familiarize themselves with available resources; course aligns with Compass to 2025 and graduate profile; supports students with changes to the HS schedule; no budgetary impact.
- The presentation continued with comments and questions regarding how long Journalism I, II, and III have been offered; reasons for course; possibility of dual enrollment; which high schools are offering; distance learning.
- D. Disposition of School Board Owned Property (Laskin Road Annex): Melisa Ingram, Executive Director, Office of Facilities Services provided the School Board information regarding the disposition of School Board owned property (Laskin Road Annex); approximately a 12.41 acre site at 1413 Laskin Road; purchase agreement which is a result of a joint City and Schools RFP process; purchase agreement has full price offer of \$7 million from Franklin Johnston Group; reviewed the disposition schedule: March 22 – present to School Board Information agenda item, April 5 – School Board Public Hearing, April 26 – School Board action on surplus resolution/purchase agreement, May 3 – City Council action on surplus resolution/purchase agreement, June-July 2022 – property rezoning, closing of sale – approximately 420 days after signed agreement; property for mixed use (office, restaurant, retail, apartments); shared an aerial view of property. The presentation continued with comments and questions regarding rezoning; the RFP process; community input.
- E. Policy Review Recommendations: School Board Legal Counsel, Kamala Lannetti, Deputy City Attorney provided the School Board information on the following policies as reviewed by the PRC at its March 10, 2022 meeting:
1. Policy 3-84/ School Lunch and Breakfast Program/Generally: The PRC recommends formatting the Policy to be consistent with current policy and regulation formatting change to reflect current procedures, and updating the legal references. A brief discussion followed regarding the payment for meals; filing a lawsuit; need to explore legal language.
 2. Policy 7-5/ News: Division Wide and Individual School: The PRC recommends scrivener's changes and updating office titles.
 3. Policy 7-14/ Advertising in Schools: The PRC recommends changes to reflect current practice and procedures.
 4. Policy 7-40/ Performance of Students: The PRC recommends scrivener's changes.
 5. Policy 7-41/ Contests for Students: The PRC recommends scrivener's changes.
 6. Policy 7-45/ Recognition of Students and Staff by the School Board: The PRC recommends formatting the Policy to be consistent with current policy and regulation formatting, new language added to reflect current procedures.
 7. Policy 7-52/ Use of School Board Equipment/ Use of School Buses: The PRC recommends changes to include language from the Virginia Code and scrivener's changes.
 8. Policy 7-55/ Fees for Use of School Facilities: The PRC recommends scrivener's changes.
 9. Policy 7-56/ Concession Stands on School Property: The PRC recommends scrivener's changes and language update to reflect current procedures.

13. Return to public comments if needed: As noted above, public comments ended at 6:47 p.m.

14. Consent Agenda: Chairwoman Rye read the items on the Consent Agenda.

A. Resolutions:

1. National Month of the Military Child: Recommendation that the School Board adopt a resolution in observance of April as Month of the Military Child. Ms. Anderson read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

National Month of the Military Child

April 2022

WHEREAS, approximately 13,000 students enrolled in Virginia Beach City Public Schools are military-connected with the majority having at least one parent serving on active duty or in the reserves of the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, these military-connected youth and their family have unique needs and face distinct challenges due to high mobility, lengthy deployments of one or both parents and the stresses of loved ones serving in times of combat; and

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WHEREAS, the school division reaffirms its commitment to providing support, resources and enriching programs to enhance the educational experiences of military-connected youth; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Beach City Public School Board's Compass to 2025 strategic plan creates opportunities to actively engage military-connected parents and families in supporting student achievement and outcomes for success; and

WHEREAS, April has been recognized by the Department of Defense since 1986 as the Month of the Military Child;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: That the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach officially recognizes April as the Month of the Military Child, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach encourages all school staff to initiate, support and participate in special activities to recognize the exceptional role and unique sacrifices our military-connected youth make in our nation's best interest; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be spread across the official minutes of this Board.

Adopted by the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach this 22nd day of March, 2022.

2. Mathematics Awareness Month: Recommendation that the School Board adopt the resolution recognizing the month of April as Mathematics Awareness Month. Ms. Hughes read the following resolution.

RESOLUTION
Mathematics Awareness Month
April 2022

WHEREAS, the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics recognizes April as Mathematics Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, mathematical literacy is essential for all, and the inclusion of such in mathematics education ensures a culture of equity where students are empowered by the opportunities math affords; and

WHEREAS, mathematics is an essential skill, both in life and in the workplace; and

WHEREAS, mathematical reasoning, sense making, problem solving and communication are essential skills; and

WHEREAS, the language and processes of mathematics are basic to all other disciplines; and

WHEREAS, our expanding, technologically based society demands increased awareness and competence in mathematics; and

WHEREAS, school curricula in mathematics provide the foundation for meeting the above needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: That the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach designate April 2022 as Mathematics Awareness Month in Virginia Beach City Public Schools; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED: That the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach encourage all citizens, and especially our children and young adults, to continue mathematics studies and to understand how its application will relate to the occupations of the 21st century; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be spread across the official minutes of this Board.

Adopted by the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach this 22nd day of March 2022.

3. School Library Media Month and National Library Week: Recommendation that the School Board adopt the resolution recognizing the month of April as “School Library Media Month” and the week of April 3-9, 2022 as “National Library Week.” Ms. Franklin read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

School Library Media Month and National Library Week

WHEREAS, school library media centers function as the information centers of the schools and provide for integrated, interdisciplinary, and school-wide learning activities; and

WHEREAS, school library media programs provide students with innovative learning opportunities that support their growth toward future readiness as inquirers, critical thinkers, problem solvers, collaborators, and communicators.

WHEREAS, school library media programs promote information literacy and the enjoyment of reading, viewing, and listening for young people of all ages and all levels of development; and

WHEREAS, school library media programs provide resources and learning activities that represent a diversity of experiences, opinions, and social and cultural perspectives, supporting the concept that intellectual freedom and access to information are prerequisites to effective and responsible citizenship in a democracy; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Beach City School Board recognizes the vital role that school library media centers play in the educational process; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Beach Public Libraries and Virginia Beach school libraries have formed a unique partnership that provides for the sharing of resources and services to the mutual benefit of all patrons.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Virginia Beach City School Board reconfirm its belief in the value of the school library media program and officially recognize the month of April 2022 as School Library Media Month and the week of April 3-9, 2022, as National Library Week, calling their significance to the attention of all Virginia Beach citizens; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be spread across the official minutes of this Board.

Adopted by the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach this 22nd day of March 2022.

- B. Recommendation of a General Contractor: First Colonial High School HVAC/Partial Roof Replacement (Music Wing): Recommendation that the School Board approve a motion authorizing the Superintendent to execute a contract with E&P Electrical Contracting Company for the First Colonial High School Partial Roof and HVAC Replacement in the amount of \$1,552,522.

After the reading of the resolutions, Chairwoman Rye called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Vice Chair Melnyk made the motion, seconded by Ms. Hughes. Chairwoman Rye called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda item as presented. The School Board Clerk announced there were nine (9) ayes in favor of the

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motion: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs. The motion passed 9-0-0.

15. Action

A. Personnel Report / Administrative Appointments: Chairwoman Rye called for a motion to approve the March 22, 2022 personnel report and administrative appointments. Ms. Riggs made the motion, seconded by Ms. Felton that the School Board approve the appointments and the acceptance of the resignations, retirements, and other employment actions as listed on the March 22, 2022 personnel report along with administrative appointments as recommended by the Superintendent. Without discussion, Chairwoman Rye called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were nine (9) ayes in favor of the motion: Chairwoman Rye, Vice Chair Melnyk, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Felton, Ms. Franklin, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Manning, and Ms. Riggs. The motion passed 9-0-0. There were no administrative appointments.

16. Committee, Organization or Board Reports: Ms. Franklin mentioned the Gifted Advisory Committee, an overview presentation of Title I and Pre-K programs, Salem High School's Career Day, Army National Guard allows junior student to sign up; Ms. Manning mentioned the Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities met on March 17, there was an awards ceremony which opened with a musical group Vocal Inclusion, awardees were Mutts with a Mission and Project Search; Chairwoman Rye mentioned adding liaison events to the School Board SharePoint site calendar; Ms. Hughes on behalf of Ms. Weems mentioned Special Education Advisory Committee meeting last week, an occupational therapist from CHKD was the guest speaker; Vice Chair Melnyk provided a reminder of the Audit Committee meeting on Thursday at 1:00 p.m. in the School Board chamber; Chairwoman Rye mentioned the Virginia Beach Education Foundation Pearls of Wisdom event on April 2; and Vice Chair Melnyk mentioned the Green Run Collegiate Gala the evening of April 2.

17. Return to Administrative, Informal, Workshop or Closed Session matters

18. Adjournment: Chairwoman Rye adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Regina M. Toneatto, Clerk of the School Board

Approved:

Carolyn T. Rye, School Board Chair