

The Discipline Committee of the Rockbridge County School Board held a special meeting on Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at Maury River Middle School.

Present: Trustees Corey Berkstresser, Catie Brown and Wendy Lovell; Randy Walters, Chief Operations Officer; Angela Wilder, Discipline Committee Liaison.

CALL TO ORDER:

Trustee Berkstresser called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

Under Section 2.2-3711.A (2) of the State Code, Trustee Berkstresser recommended that the Board go into a *Closed Meeting* to discuss three student discipline matters. Motion was made by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Lovell, and passed by 3-0 vote.

The Board entered into the *Closed Meeting* at 5:04 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 7:18 p.m.

Trustee Brown read the following motion to Certify the Closed Meeting:

WHEREAS, the Rockbridge County School Board 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 Rockbridge County School Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted 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 convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered.

Upon initial motion of Certification of Closed Meeting by Trustee Brown, and seconded by Trustee Lovell, the motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Trustee Berkstresser	- Aye
Trustee Lovell	- Aye
Trustee Brown	- Aye

Upon motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Lovell, and passed by unanimous vote, the following action was taken regarding student case number 2223-079-10 as a result of a violation of the student code of conduct.

1. Student will return to RCHS on Tuesday, March 14, 2023.
2. Student will submit to a regular search in the office by an administrator.
3. Student will come to school on Tuesday, March 7, and Wednesday, March 8, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. to complete the SOL. As soon as student has completed the SOL each day, student is required to be picked up by a parent or guardian.

Upon motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Lovell, and passed by unanimous vote, the following action was taken regarding student case number 2223-078-10 as a result of a violation of the student code of conduct.

1. Student will return to RCHS on Monday, April 10, 2023.
2. Student will surrender phone as soon as student arrives on campus to the main office and may pick it up at the end of each school day. This restriction shall be in force for the remainder of this school year.
3. Student will complete a five paragraph essay on the emotional and societal damage of hate crimes and hate speech.
4. Student will have his schedule changed to Alternative Education, except for student's Algebra I class, as of April 10, 2023. Student will be assigned to Mr. B. Hinkle's class.
5. Student will remain violation free for the remainder of the school year. Any offense or violation will result in an out of school suspension for the remainder of the school year.

Upon motion by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Lovell, and passed by unanimous vote, the following action was taken regarding student case number 2223-077-10 as a result of a violation of the student code of conduct.

1. Student will return to RCHS on Tuesday, March 14, 2023.
2. Student will be in room 200, in-school suspension from March 14 through March 24, 2023.

3. Student will complete a five paragraph essay on the emotional and societal damage of hate crimes and hate speech, while student is in in-school suspension.
4. Student will attend two days of after-school tutoring.
5. Student will surrender phone as soon as student arrives on campus to the main office and may pick it up at the end of each school day. This restriction shall be in force for the remainder of this 2022-2023 school year.
6. Student will have schedule changed to a different Algebra I teacher.
7. Student will return to regular schedule of classes on Monday, March 27, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Trustee Lovell, seconded by Trustee Brown, and passed by 3-0 vote, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



Corey W. Berkstresser, Trustee


Rhonda B. Humphries, Clerk of the Board