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Special School Board Meeting MINUTES **Wednesday, November 6, 2024**

Bayside Middle School
965 Newtown Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23462
(757) 263-1000
(*School Administration Building*)
(757) 648-4400
(*Bayside Middle School*)

- 1. *Call to Order and Roll Call:*** Chair Melnyk convened the special meeting of the School Board at Bayside Middle School, auditorium at 6:07 p.m. on the 6th day of November 2024 and stated pursuant to Bylaw 1-46 to hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, November 6, 2024, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Bayside Middle School, 965 Newtown Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

The purpose of this public hearing will be to obtain public input on the School Board's proposal to: consolidate the Bayside 6th Grade Campus and Bayside Middle School into one school at Bayside Middle School, located at 965 Newtown Road, Virginia Beach, beginning the 2025-2026 School Year.

The School Board will vote on this matter at its November 12, 2024 School Board Meeting.

In addition to Superintendent Robertson, the following School Board Members were present at Bayside Middle School auditorium: Chair Melnyk, Vice Chair Franklin, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Brown, Mr. Callan, Mr. Culpepper, Ms. Kendrick, Ms. Owens, and Ms. Weems (arrived at 6:51 p.m.)

The following School Board Members were not in attendance: Ms. Manning and Ms. Riggs.

- 2. *Adoption of the Agenda:*** Chair Melnyk called for any modifications to the agenda as presented. Hearing none, Chair Melnyk called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Brown made the motion, seconded by Ms. Anderson. Without discussion, Chair Melnyk called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were eight (8) ayes in favor of the motion to approve the agenda as presented: Chair Melnyk, Vice Chair Franklin, Ms. Anderson, Ms. Brown, Mr. Callan, Mr. Culpepper, Ms. Kendrick, and Ms. Owens. The motion passed, 8-0-0. Note, Ms. Weems was not present at the meeting during the time of the vote.

3. *Public Hearing until 8:00 p.m.*

There were a five (5) in person speakers. The topics included public notice regarding the public hearing; request for another public hearing on the topic; support for the consolidation; staff traveling between the two schools; cost effectiveness; communication to parents regarding the consolidation; student transitions; elective teachers; sense of unity, family; registrar point of view; and having all student together in one building.

The School Board recessed at 6:19 p.m. and reconvened at 6:54 p.m. The School Board recessed again at 7:04 p.m. and reconvened at 7:55 p.m.



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4. **Adjournment:** Chair Melnyk adjourned the special meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Regina M. Toneatto, Clerk of the School Board

Approved:

Kimberly A. Melnyk, School Board Chair