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School Board Regular Meeting MINUTES

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

School Administration Building #6, Municipal Center

2512 George Mason Drive
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Chair Brown convened the meeting at 4:00 p.m. on the 28th day of October 2025 and announced the meeting would begin with a Closed Session. In addition to Superintendent Robertson, the following School Board Members were present in the School Administration Building #6, School Board Chamber: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohenstiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer (arrived at 4:03 p.m.), Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers. The following School Board Members were not present: Mr. Culpepper (arrived at 4:21 p.m.) and Ms. Melnyk.

Closed Session: At 4:02 p.m., Vice Chair Weems made the following motion, seconded by Ms. Dwyer, that the School Board recess into Closed Session in accordance with the exceptions to open meetings law set forth in Code of Virginia §2.2-3711, Part A, Paragraphs 1, 7, and 8, as amended, to deliberate on the following matters:

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; and evaluation of performance of departments or schools of public institutions of higher education where such evaluation will necessarily involve discussion of the performance of specific individuals. Any teacher shall be permitted to be present during a closed meeting in which there is a discussion or consideration of a disciplinary matter that involves the teacher and some student and the student involved in the matter is present, provided that the teacher makes a written request to be present to the presiding officer of the appropriate board. Nothing in this subdivision, however, shall be construed to authorize a closed meeting by a local governing body or an elected school board to discuss compensation matters that affect the membership of such body or board collectively.
7. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter.

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8. 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 of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter.

Namely to discuss:

- A. Personnel matters – School Board Attorney’s contract.
- B. Status of pending litigation or administrative cases.
- C. Consultation with legal counsel regarding probable litigation and pending litigation matters.

Without discussion, Chair Brown called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were nine (9) ayes in favor of the motion to recess into Closed Session: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohensiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers. The motion passed, 9-0-0.

The School Board recessed into Closed Session at 4:05 p.m.

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

- A. Personnel matters – School Board Attorney’s contract: School Board Members: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohensiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers; Donald E. Robertson, Ph.D., superintendent; Deborah Yeng Collins, attorney, Yeng Collins Law, PLLC; and Regina M. Toneatto, school board clerk.

School Board Member, Mr. Culpepper, joined the Closed Session at 4:21 p.m.

The School Board reconvened at 4:35 p.m.

Certification of Closed Session: Vice Chair Weems 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. Dwyer made the motion, seconded by Ms. Rogers. Without discussion, Chair Brown called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were nine (9) ayes in favor of the motion for Certification of Closed Session: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohensiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers. There was one (1) abstention: Mr. Culpepper. The motion passed, 9-0-1.

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1. Administrative, Informal, and Workshop

- A. School Board Administrative Matters and Reports: Chair Brown mentioned the November sign-up sheets for one-to-one meetings with Superintendent Robertson and school visits with Superintendent Robertson. Mr. Bohensiel mentioned the monthly GRC Governing Board meeting on October 20, 2025. Ms. Rogers mentioned the Mental Health Task Force meeting this week.
- B. DTAL Core Content Update and Updated Secondary Math Sequence: Thomas Quinn, executive director, Office of Secondary Teaching and Learning, provided the School Board with an update regarding DTAL core content and an updated secondary math sequence. The presentation outlined recent changes and ongoing initiatives across core content areas, with a particular focus on social studies, science, computer science, and mathematics sequences for the 2025–2026 school year. The presentation covered new social studies standards, locally awarded credits, and highlighted strong verified credit rates in secondary history courses. Staff received support through professional learning sessions, site-based data analysis, and curriculum development aligned with the new 2023 standards. Resources were refined to facilitate effective implementation. The presentation detailed the K-12 social studies sequence, specifying the progression of courses from Kindergarten through high school, and described the transition from traditional SOL assessments to performance-based evaluations in elementary Virginia Studies.

In science, DTAL reported that the Virginia Board of Education had completed its first review of the expanded high school science standards, with new SOL test blueprints for Earth Science and Chemistry expected to be administered in Spring. For computer science, the presentation noted the approval of the 2024 Computer Science Standards of Learning, with full implementation scheduled for the 2025–2026 school year.

The mathematics section included updates on middle and high school sequences, achievement data, curriculum refinements, professional development plans, and revisions to the secondary math sequence, such as streamlining Algebra 2, expanding data science, and increasing rigor. The department also described targeted academic support resources and ongoing efforts to increase rigor and improve student outcomes.

After the presentation, a discussion followed with questions and comments regarding examples of sample tasks, use of AI and challenges with AI; use of technology; research and critical thinking skills; computer program courses; future-ready students; planning time for teachers; verified history credits; SOLs; maintain level of rigor; balance assessments; and math course sequence.

- C. School Security: Thomas Shattuck, director, Office of Security and Emergency Management, and Robert Jamison, Ed.S., executive director, Office of Student Support Services, provided the School Board with an update on the current programs and best practices regarding school safety and student wellness. The presentation emphasized the development and practice of emergency response plans, regular drills, and staff training to ensure preparedness for any situation. Prevention strategies focused on early risk identification, fostering a culture of safety, and implementing proactive security measures. The Board highlighted the importance of partnerships, engaging staff, students, families, and collaborating with Virginia Beach stakeholders, law enforcement, and the broader community.

Recommendations from the Blue Ribbon Panel guided enhancements in training, audits, access control, and security infrastructure. Behavioral and mental health support was expanded by increasing staff, raising mental health awareness through training, and deepening community engagement with partner agencies. Preventative security measures included deploying mass communication systems, installing emergency notification devices, and upgrading perimeter fencing.

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Annual safety audits and unannounced reviews ensured compliance and readiness. Classroom and site security were strengthened through regular audits, improved window and door security, and ensuring safe classroom layouts. Collaboration with the Virginia Beach Police Department included joint training, advisory committees, and participation in the School Safety Task Force.

Note: Questions and comments were discussed under Information Agenda Item #12A. See Adoption of the Agenda, Item #8.

2. **Closed Session:** There was a Closed Session prior to the Administrative, Informal, and Workshop session.
3. **School Board Recess:** Chair Brown adjourned the Administrative, Informal, and Workshop session at 5:32 p.m.
4. **Formal Meeting (School Administration Building #6 – School Board Room)..... 6:00 p.m.**
5. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Chair Brown convened the meeting of the School Board at the School Administration Building #6, School Board Chamber at 6:00 p.m. on the 28th day of October 2025. In addition to Superintendent Robertson, the following School Board Members were present in the School Administration Building #6, School Board Chamber: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohenstiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Culpepper, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers.
Ms. Melnyk was not in attendance.
6. **Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance**
7. **Student, Employee and Public Awards and Recognition:** There were no awards presented at the meeting.
8. **Adoption of the Agenda:** Chair Brown made the following modification: questions related to the Workshop (School Security presentation) as Item # 12A; all other items to follow sequentially. Without further modifications, Chair Brown called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented and modified. Ms. Dwyer made the motion, seconded by Vice Chair Weems. Without discussion, Chair Brown called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were ten (10) ayes in favor of the motion to approve the agenda as presented and modified: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohenstiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Culpepper, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers. The motion passed, 10-0-0.
9. **Superintendent's Report (second monthly meeting) and recognitions (first and second monthly meetings):**
Superintendent's Report: The Superintendent reported that Kempsville High School's Entrepreneurship and Business Academy won the Innovate757 TechNite Award for educational innovation. About 200 VBCPS students celebrated the "Power of We" kickoff event on Oct. 4 at Kellam High School. The middle and high school students are members of their schools' TIDE coalition and discussed how to promote a sense of belonging in their schools. More than 3,500 people participated in Academies Night, highlighting specialized academic programs. The Virginia Beach Education Foundation awarded 67 grants totaling over \$222,000 at its TGIF celebration, and the upcoming Turkey Bowl was set to support the Beach Bags program for families in need. The report concluded with a video recap of STEM Day at the Oceana Air Show.
Administrative Recognitions: Superintendent Robertson introduced the following appointments, which were approved at the October 14, 2025, School Board Meeting: **Jaclyn A. Kenney**, administrative assistant, Corporate Landing and Kempsville Elementary Schools, as assistant principal of Landstown Elementary School; and **Casey R. Morrison**, transportation area supervisor, as coordinator of transportation, Office of Transportation and Fleet Management Services. The following appointment was approved at the September 23, 2025, School Board Meeting: **Frederick E. Franks**, division chief, Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS), as coordinator, security and safe schools, in the Office of Security and Emergency Management.

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10. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- A. October 14, 2025 Regular School Board Meeting: Chair Brown called for any modifications to the October 14, 2025, regular School Board Meeting minutes as presented. Hearing none, Chair Brown called for a motion to approve the October 14, 2025, minutes as presented. Ms. Dwyer made the motion, seconded by Mr. Cummings. Without discussion, Chair Brown called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were ten (10) ayes in favor of the motion to approve the October 14, 2025 minutes as presented: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohensiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Culpepper, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers. The motion passed, 10-0-0.

11. Public Comments (until 8:00 p.m.)

There were twelve (12) in-person speakers (including one (1) student speaker) and two (2) online speakers. The topics included Dual Language Immersion (DLI); learning in Spanish; safety concerns; budgeting; transportation; and support for the DLI program.

The Public Comments concluded at 6:52 p.m.

12. Information

- A. Questions related to the Workshop (School Security presentation): Note, an item was added during the Adoption of the Agenda. See Agenda Item #8.
A discussion followed with questions and comments regarding key access; cameras and saved videos; local and onsite training; human trafficking; mental health services and supports; Care Solace, Bridge Program; three-point approach (run, hide, protect); school psychologists; engaging families; and staff training in the summer.
- B. Interim Financial Statements – September 2025: Daniel Hopkins, director, Office of Business Services provided the School Board information on the interim financial statements. As of September 30, 2025, revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year were acceptable. State and local revenues were received on schedule, though enrollment was slightly below projections. Federal revenues also showed an acceptable trend, with approximately \$5 million in Impact Aid payments received year-to-date. Federal Impact Aid payments were delayed due to budget approval issues and staff layoffs at the federal office. Local revenue was deemed acceptable, with 25% of the annual transfers from the City received by the end of September. Other revenue sources were down compared to last year, due to the absence of a JUUL settlement.
- Sales tax receipts were at an acceptable level, approximately \$990,000 higher than the same period last year, and the state budget for FY26 included a \$3 million increase in sales tax revenue. Expenditures and encumbrances continued to trend acceptably. The Health Insurance Fund was split between the School and City, with the Consolidated Benefits Office managing the City's fund, though the City was responsible for funding it. After the presentation, there was a brief discussion regarding federal impacts on receiving funding.
- C. Modified Course Proposal: Algebra II Honors: Thomas Quinn, executive director, Office of Secondary Teaching and Learning, provided the School Board information on a proposal to modify the current Algebra 2/Trigonometry course to an Algebra 2 Honors course in alignment with the revised math sequence. The course targeted grades 9–12, used existing staff, and could be offered yearlong or in a 4x4 format. The proposal emphasized the importance of preparing students to be “future-ready” by fostering clear mathematical communication, data-informed decision-making, and advanced problem-solving skills.

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The rationale for the modified course focused on increasing depth and complexity, improving the vertical alignment of trigonometry topics within AP Precalculus, and supporting students transferring with Algebra II to continue into advanced coursework. The proposal responded to the transition from Math Analysis to AP Precalculus and aimed to provide targeted acceleration through five trigonometry standards, aligning course sequences with neighboring states and divisions. After the presentation, there was a brief discussion regarding the Algebra 2 Honors course offering.

- D. Middle School Dual Language Immersion (DLI) Considerations: Danielle Colucci, Ed.D., chief academic officer provided the School Board information regarding the Middle School Dual Language Immersion (DLI) considerations. The presentation reviewed the proposed options for the future of the middle school DLI program and shared the administration's recommendations. Two primary options were considered: consolidating the DLI programs into a single site at Virginia Beach Middle School, continuing to offer Immersion Spanish and at least one core class in Spanish; or phasing out the middle school DLI program while making high school credit Immersion Spanish available in grades 6–8 at feeder middle schools.

The administration recommended that students enrolled in grades 5–8 during the 2025–26 school year complete the existing DLI program at Great Neck and Landstown Middle Schools. For the 2027–28 school year, the administration recommended discontinuing the DLI program at these sites for incoming 6th graders and halting the planned expansion of the model. Additionally, the administration advised gathering more input and data to assess interest in a potential single-site DLI program at Virginia Beach Middle School, contingent on staffing, funding, and student interest, as well as exploring DLI-related offerings at students' zoned middle schools.

After the presentation, a discussion followed with questions and comments regarding staffing challenges; feedback from stakeholders; costs and funding; transportation costs; recruiting Spanish teachers within the division; discussion of the options; supporting ESL teachers; cost per student in program; value of DLI program; clarification on what the School Board will be voting on; qualified teachers; recommendation from staff; licensure challenges; grant funding; teacher endorsements; state programs for licensure; and national teacher shortage.

- E. Division Literacy Plan (DLP): Lorena Kelly, Ph.D., executive director, Office of Elementary Teaching and Learning, provided the School Board information regarding an update to the Division Literacy Plan. The presentation focused on Section Four: monitoring student assessment and progress regarding an update on Grades 4-8 administrative timeline. The timeline is two times a year based on the schedule provided by VDOE during the fall and winter windows. After the presentation, there was a brief discussion regarding the VALLSS assessment.
- F. VSBA Delegate Assembly Proposal: Chair Brown reviewed the following VSBA (Virginia School Boards Association) legislative positions: Legislative Proposal #3: 1.7 Assessment Reform and Accountability Reform (Proposed Amendment).7 Assessment Reform and Accountability Reform (Proposed Amendment); Legislative Proposal #6: NEW Chronic Absenteeism (Proposed New Legislative Position); and Legislative Proposal #8: 3.3 Enrollment Cap for Virtual Virginia (Proposed Amendment to Existing Legislative Position).

A discussion followed regarding SOL reform; balance assessment; and background information on the VSBA process.

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- G. Behavioral and Mental Health Supports for Students: Year 2 Outcome Evaluation: Allison Bock, Ph.D., and Noel Williams, Ph.D., evaluation specialists, Office of Research and Evaluation, provided the School Board the Behavioral and Mental Health Supports for Students: Year-Two Outcome Evaluation Report and the administration's recommendations. The evaluation assessed three key initiatives implemented across Virginia Beach City Public Schools (VBCPS): the Behavior Intervention Support Team (BIST) Professional Learning and Strategies, Communities in Schools (CIS), and the Behavior and Social Emotional (BASE) Program. The evaluation process included interviews, document reviews, site visits, and surveys of staff, parents, and students. General staff perceptions indicated that 82% felt prepared to support students with behavioral needs, and 77% felt prepared to address mental health needs.

The BIST initiative, implemented at five elementary schools, focused on early intervention and skill-building to reduce disruptive behaviors. Seventy-five percent of involved staff expressed satisfaction, and 92% of parents at BIST schools agreed they understood the school's approach to behavior support. Most schools reported decreases in student referrals and suspensions following BIST implementation¹.

CIS expanded to ten schools, providing schoolwide and individual supports through community partnerships. Eighty percent of CIS schools met at least one of their established goals, with improvements noted in attendance and family engagement. Ninety-six percent of staff and ninety-seven percent of parents whose children worked with CIS coordinators reported satisfaction with the initiative.

The BASE Program offered targeted intervention for elementary students with challenging behaviors. Parents overwhelmingly agreed that transitions into and out of the program were successful and beneficial. Staff satisfaction was lower, with comments highlighting transition challenges. Discipline data showed declines in referrals and suspensions for BASE participants. The administration agreed to continue all three programs and recommended improvements in consistency, communication, and transition planning.

After the presentation, a discussion followed with questions and comments regarding staff survey response; BIST Program; BASE Program; transition of students to and from program; parental responses; number of surveys sent; funding for each program and costs for programs.

- 13. Return to public comments if needed:** As noted, under Agenda Item #11, the Public Comments concluded at 6:52 p.m.

- 14. Consent Agenda:** Chair Brown read the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- A. Policy Review Committee (PRC) Recommendations: Recommended that the School Board approve recommendations regarding the amendment of certain policies as recommended by the Policy Review Committee at its September 24, 2025 meeting.
1. Policy 3-27/Borrowing: There are no recommended changes to this policy; it is being reviewed in accordance with the 5-year review requirement.
 2. Policy 6-28/Driver Education: The PRC recommends adding language directly from the Virginia Code to clarify the intent of the policy and to update the legal references.
 3. Policy 7-2/Notification of School Board Meetings: The PRC recommends adding language to align with the Virginia Code and to update the legal reference.
 4. Policy 7-13/Appeals of School Board Decisions: There are no recommended changes to this policy; it is being reviewed in accordance with the 5-year review requirement.
 5. Policy 7-21/Citizens' Advisory Committees: The PRC recommends minor scrivener's changes.
 6. Policy 7-58/Relations with Governmental Agencies: The PRC recommends minor scrivener's changes.
- B. 2024-2025 Annual Field Trip Report: Recommended that the School Board accept the 2024-2025 Field Trip Report.

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- C. Alanton Elementary School RTU Replacement: Recommended that the School Board approve a motion authorizing the Superintendent to execute a contract with Comfort Systems of Virginia, Inc. for the Alanton Elementary School RTU Replacement in the amount of \$687,700.
- D. Bayside Middle School RTU Replacement: Recommended that the School Board approve a motion authorizing the Superintendent to execute a contract with ColonialWebb Contractors Company for the Bayside Middle School RTU Replacement in the amount of \$2,460,670.
- E. School Administration Building #6 Primary Data Center & Einstein Lab HVAC Replacement: Recommended that the School Board approve a motion authorizing the Superintendent to execute a contract with ZBZ & Associates, Inc. for the School Administration Building #6 Primary Data Center & Einstein Lab HVAC Replacement in the amount of \$1,563,200.
- F. Gifted Citizens' Advisory Committee Appointment Recommendations: Recommended that the School Board approves the appointments to the Citizens' Advisory Committee for Gifted Education. Recommendations introduced at the October 14, 2025 School Board meeting, as part of the Information agenda to fill voting
- G. member vacancies as follows: Judonne Baxter – Salem, and Fouad Moussa – Ocean Lakes.

After reading the items on the Consent Agenda, Chair Brown asked if there were any objections to voting on the Consent Agenda as presented. Hearing none, Chair Brown called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Vice Chair Weems made the motion, seconded by Ms. Dwyer. Chair Brown called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were ten (10) ayes in favor of the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohenstiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Culpepper, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers. The motion passed, 10-0-0.

15. Action

- A. Personnel Report / Administrative Appointments: Chair Brown called for a motion to approve the October 28, 2025 personnel report and administrative appointments. Ms. Dwyer made the motion, seconded by Ms. Rogers, that the School Board approve the appointments, and the acceptance of the resignations, retirements and other employment actions as listed on the October 28, 2025 personnel report along with the administrative appointment as recommended by the Superintendent. Without discussion, Chair Brown called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were ten (10) ayes in favor of the motion to approve the October 28, 2025 personnel report and administrative appointments: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohenstiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Culpepper, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers. The motion passed, 10-0-0.

Superintendent Robertson mentioned the following appointments: **Julie D. Hawkes**, assistant principal, Newtown Road Elementary School, as employee relations specialist, Department of Human Resources, and **Emily A. Hitzemann**, assistant principal, Corporate Landing Middle School, as human resources specialist, Department of Human Resources.

- B. Budget Resolution Regarding FY 2024-25 Reversion and Revenue Sharing Formula Reconciliation: Chair Brown, before calling for a motion, opened the floor for Mr. Cummings. Mr. Cummings shared details of his Virginia Conflict of Interest Act opinion letter. Chair Brown mentioned the motion to vote upon would be option one resolution, which is the consensus of the Board. The resolution option has \$5.8 million to the health insurance fund. Chair Brown called for a motion to approve the resolution option one. Ms. Dwyer made the motion, seconded by Ms. Rogers.

Vice Chair Weems read the following resolution:

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Budget Resolution Regarding FY 2024/25 Reversion and Revenue Sharing Formula Reconciliation

WHEREAS, on October 14, 2025, the School Board was presented with a summary of the unaudited financial statements for FY 2024/25 (year ending June 30, 2025), showing the reversion amount to the city's General fund; and

WHEREAS, \$21,077,524 is the amount of School Operating reversion funds available (excluding debt service and revenues over/under budget); and

WHEREAS, \$5,628,593 is the amount remaining in debt service due to the timing of bond sales, increasing the School Operating reversion amount to \$26,706,117; and

WHEREAS, \$10,653,822 came in as additional revenue over the appropriated budget, increasing the School Operating reversion amount to \$37,359,939; and

WHEREAS, \$390,779 reverted from the Athletics fund and \$343,862 reverted from the Green Run Collegiate Charter School fund; and

WHEREAS, the total amount available for re-appropriation is \$38,094,580; and

WHEREAS, the city is currently indicating FY 2024/25 revenue over budget of \$7,464,613 based on the Revenue Sharing Formula; and

WHEREAS, the net funding available for re-appropriation is \$45,559,193; and

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends the following for the available funds in the amount of \$45,559,193:

- \$38,559,193 to be re-appropriated to the FY 2025/26 Capital Improvement Program
 - \$23,628,593 to be transferred in the form of pay-as-you-go funding for project 1-015 Princess Anne High School Replacement
 - \$4,430,600 to be transferred in the form of pay-as-you-go funding for project 1-030 Payroll System Replacement
 - \$10,500,000 to be re-appropriated to the School Reserve Special Revenue fund
- \$1,200,000 to be transferred in the form of pay-as-you-go funding for project 1-020 Renovations and Replacements – Various – Phase III - Jericho Road Demolition
- \$5,800,000 to be reappropriated to the Health Insurance fund

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: That the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach approves the recommended uses of reversion funds as presented by the Administration; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the School Board requests that the City Council approve the re-appropriation of reversion funds shown above; and be it

FINALLY RESOLVED: That a copy of this resolution be spread across the official minutes of this Board, and the Clerk of the Board is directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to the Mayor, each member of the City Council, the City Manager, and the City Clerk.

Adopted by the School Board of the City of Virginia Beach, this 28th day of October 2025.

Without discussion, Chair Brown called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were seven (7) ayes in favor of the motion to approve the resolution option one: Mr. Bohenstiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Cummings,

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Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers. There were three (3) nays opposed to the motion to approve the resolution option one: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, and Mr. Culpepper.
The motion passed, 7-3-0.

- 16. Committee, Organization or Board Reports:** Mr. Cummings mentioned the Timbaland event and thanked all the staff and students who helped and participated in the event. Chair Brown mentioned the monetary contributions to our schools. Dr. Green shared information about the Adult Learning Center programs, and mentioned the upcoming Legislative Committee Meeting on October 31, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. Mr. Bohenstiel mentioned attending the pep rally at Cooke Elementary School. Ms. Rogers mentioned the upcoming Turkey Bowl and the proceeds will benefit the Virginia Beach Education Foundation (VBEF) Beach Bags program. Vice Chair Weems mentioned the Policy Review Committee Meeting on October 29, 2025, at 3:30 p.m.
- 17. Return to Administrative, Informal, Workshop or Closed Session matters:** At 9:40 p.m., Vice Chair Weems made the following motion, seconded by Ms. Dwyer, that the School Board recess into Closed Session in accordance with the exceptions to open meetings law set forth in Code of Virginia §2.2-3711, Part A, Paragraphs 7, 8, and 12, as amended, to deliberate on the following matters:
7. Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, where such consultation or briefing in open meeting would adversely affect the negotiating or litigating posture of the public body. For the purposes of this subdivision, "probable litigation" means litigation that has been specifically threatened or on which the public body or its legal counsel has a reasonable basis to believe will be commenced by or against a known party. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to permit the closure of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter.
 8. 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 of a meeting merely because an attorney representing the public body is in attendance or is consulted on a matter.
 12. Information relating to the negotiation and award of a specific contract where competition or bargaining is involved and where the release of such information would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body. Such information shall not be withheld after the public body has made a decision to award or not to award the contract. In the case of procurement transactions conducted pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act (§ 2.2-4300 et seq.), the provisions of this subdivision shall not apply, and any release of information relating to such transactions shall be governed by the Virginia Public Procurement Act.
- Namely to discuss:
- A. Unsolicited PPEA offer.
 - B. Status of pending litigation or administrative cases.
 - C. Consultation with legal counsel regarding probable litigation and pending litigation matters.

Without discussion, Chair Brown called for a vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were ten (10) ayes in favor of the motion to recess into Closed Session: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohenstiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Culpepper, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers.

The motion passed, 10-0-0.

The School Board recessed into Closed Session at 9:43 p.m.



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

- A. Unsolicited PPEA offer: School Board Members: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohenstiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Culpepper, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers; Kamala H. Lannetti, school board attorney; Donald E. Robertson, Ph.D., superintendent; and Regina M. Toneatto, school board clerk.

The School Board reconvened at 10:01 p.m.

Certification of Closed Session: Vice Chair Weems 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. Dwyer made the motion, seconded by Mr. Callan. Chair Brown called for the vote. The School Board Clerk announced there were ten (10) ayes in favor of the motion for Certification of Closed Session: Chair Brown, Vice Chair Weems, Mr. Bohenstiel, Mr. Callan, Mr. Culpepper, Mr. Cummings, Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Felton, Dr. Green, and Ms. Rogers. The motion passed, 10-0-0.

- 18. Adjournment:** Chair Brown adjourned the meeting at 10:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Regina M. Toneatto, Clerk of the School Board

Approved:

Kathleen J. Brown, School Board Chair