

VIRGINIA BEACH CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

School Administration Building, School Board Chambers

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Alveta Green, Chair, at 9:32 a.m.

I. Attendance

Committee members present included Dr. Alveta Green (Chair), Rose Dwyer, Melinda Rogers, Laura Beth Mattson, Cheryl Woodhouse, Kamala Lannetti, Joel Andrus and Tiffany Jacobs

II. Adoption of Agenda

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Ms. Rogers and seconded by Ms. Dwyer. The agenda was approved unanimously.

III. Old Business

- **Unfunded Mandates:** Laura Beth Mattson provided updates regarding the ongoing list of unfunded mandates and upcoming budget considerations.
- **General Assembly Delegation Breakfast:** The committee agreed to hold the annual Legislative Breakfast on December 4, 2025, from 8:30–10:00 a.m. at Bayside High School. The event will include a light breakfast, a discussion of the 2026 legislative agenda, and an optional school tour. Approximately 15–20 attendees are anticipated.
- **Reauthorization of Recovery School:** The committee discussed updates and next steps regarding the Recovery School reauthorization process and noted that follow-up will be needed at the December meeting with legislators.

IV. New Business

- **2026 Virginia General Assembly:** Joel Andrus provided an overview of legislative priorities and key issues likely to arise during the upcoming General Assembly session.
- **VSBA Legislative Agenda:** The committee discusses the VSBA Legislative Priorities for 2026. Updates and feedback will be incorporated into the division's legislative platform.
- **Collective Bargaining:** Discussion continued regarding employee group interest in collective bargaining. The committee noted that the topic will remain under review as legislation develops. Ms. Dwyer made a motion to take a position against collective bargaining. There was no second. No action was taken on the motion.

- **Position on Block Grant Funding:** Members discussed the potential impacts of block grant funding and agreed to monitor updates and gather additional information before taking a formal position. Ms. Rogers made a motion to add this to our legislative agenda. There was no second. No action was taken on the motion.
- **Other Business:** The committee briefly discussed additional scheduling matters and coordination with the Board Clerk for upcoming legislative correspondence and events. The next meeting on November 7 was changed to October 31 to have time to work on the legislative agenda and get it approved at the school board meeting.

V. Next Meeting Dates

- October 31, 2025- 9:30 a.m.
- December 4, 2025 – 9:30 a.m. Legislative Breakfast and discussion of the General Assembly agenda.
- January 9, 2026 – 9:30 a.m.

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.