MINUTES

VIRTUAL SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION ALEXANDRIA CITY SCHOOL BOARD April 8, 2021 (5:45 p.m.)

On March 12, 2020, Virginia Governor Ralph Northam declared a state of emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, this meeting is being held electronically pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(3), for the purpose of providing for the continuity of operations of the School Board for the discharge of its lawful purposes, duties and responsibilities. All members of the School Board are participating virtually via Zoom with four Board Members attending in-person in the School Board Meeting Room. Public participation remains virtual and may be accessed by the public through the live broadcast on Comcast channel 71 in Alexandria, through the livestream on the ACPS website, or via Zoom by following the link posted at the top of the published agenda.

ROLL CALL

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT AT THE WORK SESSION:

BOARD MEMBERS: Meagan L. Alderton

Cindy Anderson Ramee A. Gentry Jacinta Greene Margaret Lorber Veronica R. Nolan Michelle Rief

Christopher A. Suarez Heather Thornton

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Gregory C. Hutchings, Jr., Susan Neilson, Shanel Hill, Jennifer Abbruzzese

Call the Work Session to Order

Chair Alderton called the work session to order at 9:19 p.m. All Board Members were present.

Discussion Topics

1. E Policy Revisions

As part of the School Board's continuing policy review, Ms. Jennifer Abbruzzese, Director of Policy and Board Initiatives, presented revisions to a number of E Policies under the heading of Student Services. The revisions are primarily driven by changes to the Code of Virginia and Virginia Board of Education regulations; or driven by ACPS to reflect current practice of the changing needs of the school division. Some have been included to comply with the state of Virginia's five-year policy review requirement.

After presentation of the proposed changes, Board Members had no questions. These policies will return to the Board for adoption in a future Board Meeting.

Adjournment

The work session ended at 9:27 p.m.

Meagan Alderton, Chair

Clerk/Deputy Clerk

These minutes were adopted at the April 22, 2021 School Board Meeting.