

MINUTES
SPECIAL CALLED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
ALEXANDRIA CITY SCHOOL BOARD
April 27, 2023 (6:30 p.m.)

ROLL CALL

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT AT THE MEETING:

BOARD MEMBERS: Meagan L. Alderton
Willie F. Bailey Sr.
Kelly Carmichael Booz (via Zoom)
Abdel-Rahman Elnoubi
Jacinta Greene
Christopher Harris
Tammy Ignacio
Michelle Rief
Ashley Simpson Baird

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Susan Neilson

Call to Order

1. Meeting Called to Order by Chair Alderton

Chair Alderton called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. All members of the School Board were present at the start of the meeting except for Ms. Booz who joined the meeting via Zoom before the Closed Meeting.

Moment of Silence

2. Observe a Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was observed.

Adoption of Meeting Agenda

3. Adopt the Meeting Agenda for the April 27, 2023 Special Called School Board Meeting

Ms. Greene moved to adopt the meeting agenda for the May 27, 2023 Special Called School Board Meeting.

Dr. Rief seconded the motion.

The vote to adopt the meeting agenda was unanimous, 8-0. The motion carried.

4. Motion to Allow Participation of Board Member Kelly Carmichael Booz by Electronic Means

Vice Chair Greene made the following motion:

“Whereas Board Member Kelly Carmichael Booz has notified the Board that she is unavailable to be physically present for tonight’s School Board Meeting due to a business matter, specifically travel, and whereas she has not participated in more than two or 25% Board meetings by electronic means during 2023; and whereas Board Member Booz requests the opportunity to participate in this meeting by video conference call from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania where the video conference call shall be heard by all participants in this Board room; and whereas a quorum of the Board is physically assembled in this Board room;

Therefore, I move, pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3708 that the Board approve the participation of Board Member Kelly Carmichael Booz in this meeting by video conference call.”

Dr. Rief seconded the motion.

The vote to approve participation of Board Member Kelly Carmichael Booz by electronic means, was unanimous, 8-0. The motion carried.

Board Member Booz joined the meeting via Zoom.

Closed Meeting and Certification of Closed Meeting

5. Closed Meeting

Vice Chair Greene moved that the Board convene a Closed Meeting pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3711(A)(1) for the discussion and consideration of employment, performance, and contractual matters for five specific public employee(s) and that the Board convene a Closed Meeting pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3711(A)(29) for the discussion of the award of a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, including interviews of bidders or offerors, and discussion of the term or scope of such contract, where discussion in an open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Board.

Dr. Rief seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 9-0, to convene a Closed Meeting. The motion carried.

The Board moved into a Closed Meeting at 6:40 p.m.

6. Certification of Closed Meeting

Vice Chair Greene moved that pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3712, that the Board certifies that to the best of each member’s knowledge, only public business matters identified in the motion by which the Closed Meeting was convened, and which are lawfully exempted by the Freedom of Information Act, were heard, discussed or considered by the Board in the Closed Meeting held on April 27, 2023.

Mr. Elnoubi seconded the motion.

The vote was unanimous, 9-0, to certify the Closed Meeting. The motion carried.

The Board returned to and open meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Adjournment

7. Adjourn

On a motion by Ms. Booz and seconded by Mr. Bailey, the Board voted unanimously, 9-0, to adjourn. The motion carried.

The meeting ended at 7:28 p.m.

Meagan Alderton, Chair

Clerk/Deputy Clerk

These minutes were adopted at the **DATE** School Board Meeting.