

**PATRICK COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
104 Rucker Street – P.O. Box 346  
Stuart, Virginia 24171**

**MINUTES FOR REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
Thursday, June 25, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.  
Patrick County High School Auditorium  
215 Cougar Lane  
Stuart, VA 24171**

Present: Mr. Brandon J. Simmons, Chairman  
Mr. Walter L. Scott, Vice Chairman  
Ms. Amy E. Walker  
Ms. Shannon R. Harrell  
Mr. Ryan S. Lawson

Mr. C. Dean Gilbert, Division Superintendent  
Ms. Andrea J. Cassell, Assistant Superintendent - Instruction  
Ms. Sara Leigh D. Collins, Clerk

Mr. Brandon J. Simmons, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

**No. 25563**

**Opening Ceremonies**

- (a) Pledge of Allegiance (IEA)
- (b) Moment of Silence (IE)
- (c) Recognition of Patrick County Public School Employee Retirement

Mark Gammons  
33 Years  
August 2018

Joyce Grooms  
22 Years  
June 2020

Diane Poeske  
16 Years  
February 2020

Curtis Spence  
13 Years  
June 2020

Roger Williams  
40 Years  
May 2020

Ruby Hill (Deceased)  
28 Years  
November 2019

**No. 25564      Closed Session**

Pursuant to Section 2.2-3712 (A) of the Code of Virginia and a motion by Mr. Scott and seconded by Ms. Harrell that Patrick County School Board convene in a closed meeting at 5:32 p.m. to consider:

- a. Discussion, consideration or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining or resignation of employees of the School Board §2.2-3711(a)(2).
  - i. Monthly Personnel Report
  - ii. Personnel Matters

Ayes: Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

On motion by Mr. Scott seconded by Ms. Walker to come out of closed session.

Ayes: Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

**No. 25565      Certification of Closed Session**

**WHEREAS**, the Patrick County School Board had convened a closed meeting of the date pursuant to an affirmative record vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.1-344 (D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Patrick County School Board that such closed meeting was conducted with Virginia Law;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Patrick County School Board hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from closed meeting to which this certification applies, and (ii) only such public businesses were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered.

Ayes (by Roll Call): Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

**No. 25566      Personnel List 1**

On motion by Ms. Harrell seconded by Ms. Walker to approve Personnel List 1.

Ayes: Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

**No. 25567      Personnel Addendum**

On motion by Ms. Walker seconded by Mr. Scott to approve the Personnel Addendum.

Ayes: Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

**No. 25568      2020-1**

On motion by Ms. Harrell seconded by Ms. Walker GB 2020-1 to uphold the decision of the superintendent.

Ayes: Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

**No. 25569      2020-2**

On motion by Ms. Harrell seconded by Mr. Lawson regarding Employee Case #2020-2 pursuant to Policy GB that the decision of the superintendent with regard to items 1-8 and 10-12 be upheld and with regard to item 9 that a committee of the board be appointed pursuant to policy GB consisting of Mr. Scott, Mr. Lawson, and Ms. Walker.

Ayes: Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

**No. 25570      Grievance 2020-2**

On motion by Ms. Harrell seconded by Ms. Walker that the Grievance 2020-2 be denied.

Ayes: Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

**No. 25571      Public Comment**

None

**No. 25572      Consent Calendar**

- a. Minutes (BDDG) June 4, 2020
- b. End of Year Invoices (DI, DK)
- c. Monthly Financial Report (DI, DK)
- d. 2020-2021 Consolidated Federal Programs Application
- e. 2020-2021 Title III Statewide Consortium Application

On motion by Mr. Lawson seconded by Mr. Scott to approve the consent calendar as presented.

Ayes: Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

**No. 25573      Policy Updates**

On motion by Ms. Walker seconded by Mr. Lawson to approve the policy updates as presented.

Ayes: Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

**No. 25574      PHCC Dual Enrollment Contract Agreement**

On motion by Ms. Harrell seconded by Mr. Scott to approve the PHCC Dual Enrollment Contract Agreement as presented for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Ayes: Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays: None

**No. 25575     Resolution**

Reviewed resolution proposed by the VSBA in light of recent events regarding prejudice and injustice that persists in our country.

On motion by Mr. Scott seconded by Ms. Harrell to table the resolution for consideration for the July 16, 2020 meeting.

Ayes:    Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays:    None

**No. 25576     Permission – Superintendent to authorize payments of invoices as of June 30, 2020**

On motion by Ms. Harrell seconded by Ms. Walker for Superintendent Gilbert be authorized to make any payments if additional funds received to balance the budget as of June 30, 2020.

Ayes:    Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays:    None

Mr. Gilbert informed the school board that the school system had received approximately 1600 surveys returned to help with the planning for the upcoming school year.

Ms. Walker congratulated the high school on a job well done for the graduation service this year.

**No. 25577     Adjournment**

On motion by Ms. Harrell seconded by Ms. Walker to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Ayes:    Harrell, Lawson, Scott, Simmons, Walker  
Nays:    None

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Brandon J. Simmons, Chairman  
Patrick County School Board

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Sara Leigh D. Collins, Clerk  
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