



Board Bulletin

July 2020

The Board Bulletin provides important information about the work of the Dinwiddie County School Board. Following each meeting, the Board Bulletin is a source for details on Board actions and items of interest to Dinwiddie students, staff, and residents.

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School & Community Relations

Christie Clarke, Director of School & Community Relations recognized Roneisha Johnson for her efforts with the creation of the Facebook Group "Adopt a Senior." This was a well received positive effort that garnered alot of community support for the Class of 2020.

Board Chair, Ms. Barbara Pittman was also recognized for serving as a member of the 2020 VSBA Legislative Positions Committee.

Closed Session Report

Mr. Frankie Crowder was named as an Assistant Principal at Dinwiddie Middle School. Mr. Crowder has been in education for 19 years. He has served as a Physical Education teacher at Sutherland Elementary School. He has also been the Assistant Coach of the Dinwiddie Baseball team. He has served on numerous committees and has been named as a DCPS 20 to Watch. Congratulations to Mr. Crowder!



Consent Agenda

Expenditure Reports

The expenditure reports from June 2020 were presented and approved.

Approval of Minutes of June 9, 2020

The meeting minutes from the previous board meetings were approved.

Board Matters

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Program

Carey Athey, Director of School Nutrition Services, shared information about the Community Eligibility Program. This program allows schools with a high percentage of eligible children to serve free meals to all enrolled students for a period of up to four consecutive school years. He requested that Dinwiddie Elementary, Midway Elementary, Southside Elementary, Sunnyside Elementary, Sutherland Elementary, and Dinwiddie Middle participate in this program beginning 2020-2021. The board approved this request.

Health Insurance

Chris Wells, Benefits Coordinator, presented the recommendation for the new **Health Insurance plan** for Local Choice. He also shared the insurance rates for 2020-2021, which will take effect on October 1. The board approved this request.

School Bus Purchases

The School Board approved the **request** to purchase 7 buses using the CARES Act funding provided to us from Dinwiddie County that was presented by Christie Fleming, Director of Finance, and Edward Tucker, Director of Transportation.

Roof Bid Award

The School Board approved the **Roof Bid Award** presented by Christie Fleming, Director of Finance, and Jimmy Davis, Director of School Facilities. The roof projects will be for Dinwiddie Middle School and Southside Elementary School.

Nomination for VSBA Regional School Board Member of the Year

The Virginia School Boards Association seeks to recognize one **outstanding school board member** from each of the nine VSBA regions who exemplifies local involvement in promoting student achievement. Nominees must be or have been a board member serving on a VSBA member school board within the preceding 12 months ending June 30, 2020. The VSBA panel of judges will accept one nomination from each school board, and that nomination must be based on a discussion by and unanimous vote of the school board. The announcement of the winners and presentation of award plaques will be made during the VSBA Annual Convention in November. The board nominated and approved Ms. Barbara Pittman.

Superintendent Matters

Equity Policy - DAB (New Policy) - 1st Reading

Dr. Royal Gurley, Assistant Superintendent, presented the **Equity Policy** - DAB for the 1st reading.

Purchasing Procedures - Policy Updates - 1st Reading

Christie Fleming, Director of Finance, presented several **policy updates** related to purchasing procedures for the 1st reading.

School Reopening Plan Update

Christie Clarke, Director of School & Community Relations, and Dr. Kari Weston, Superintendent, provided a **School Reopening Plan Update**. Results from the parent, staff, and student surveys that were conducted in June were shared. Current reopening plans and information were discussed. The School Board will make a final approval of the options during the July 28th board meeting. Final plans will be shared at the August 11th board meeting in order to submit the final plan to the VDOE.