



Board Bulletin

December 2021

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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.

Recognition

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led in English and Spanish by Southside Elementary students Logan Hernandez Garcia, Zadkiel Arellanes Perez, Jorge Acevedo Flores, & Johnanna Acevedo Flores.



DHS Theatre Team

The DHS Theatre Team won the Region 4B South Theatre Competition with their performance of "The Insanity of Mary Girard." They also participated in the Super Regional Competition with teams from Region 4B North and Region 4A. The team is coached by Guiermo Lopez.



Southside Regional Board Member of the Year

Board Chair, Mary Benjamin, was named the Southside Regional School Board Member of the Year at the 2021 VSBA Convention held in Williamsburg on November 17. This award recognize her boardmanship qualities and active involvement in promoting student achievement.



Lifetime Achievement Award

Board member, Barbara Pittman, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Dinwiddie Chamber of Commerce at their annual Best of Dinwiddie Awards Banquet held on December 8.



Early Learners in Dinwiddie County

Students from Sunnyside's Bright Stars class sang several Christmas songs with the audience.



Consent Agenda

Expenditure Reports

The expenditure reports from November 2021 were presented and approved.

Approval of Minutes of November 9, 2021

The meeting minutes from the previous board meeting were approved.

Board Matters

Resurface Track Located at the Athletic Field

The School Board approved the recommendation made by Christie Fleming, Director of Finance, to complete the project to resurface the track located at the athletic field.

Approval of New Bus Scales

The School Board approved the new Bus Salary Scales that will take effect on January 1, 2022. The school division is awaiting notification from the Virginia Department of Education for the School Bus Driver Incentive Grant. These grant funds will be used for the increased salary scales.

Approval of 2022-2023 Secondary Course Offerings

Carly Woolfolk, Director of Secondary Education & CTE, presented and the School Board approved the 2022-2023 Secondary Course Offerings.

Superintendent Matters

Health Plan Update

Michelle Powell, Coordinator of Student Services, provided an update to the Board on the recent vaccination events held at Dinwiddie High School.

Stock Albuterol in Schools

Effective January 1, 2022, HB2019 requires each local school to have undesignated stock albuterol available for administration in the school. Staff at each school have been trained. The required MOA with the Virginia Department of Health has been completed. Supplies will be ordered and will be in place and ready for the January 1 effective date.

VPI Steering Committee Update

Penny Brooks, School Readiness & Literacy Coordinator, provided an overview and update of Early Learning in Dinwiddie.

English Learners

Penny Brooks, School Readiness & Literacy Coordinator, provided an overview and update of English Learners and programming in Dinwiddie.

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Christie Fleming, Director of Finance, shared the results of the annual financial audit. The audit was successful with no findings.

Collective Bargaining

Emily Branch, Director of Human Resources, gave a presentation to the School Board on Collective Bargaining. The Board will be reviewing information regarding this topic in the coming months. More information will be shared with employees starting in January. The School Board has to determine their position either for or against collective bargaining.

Public Hearing

Sale of Surplus Real Estate

The School Board held a **public hearing** on the sale of property and adopted a resolution that the property is surplus. The School Board requests the County Board of Supervisors to allow DCPS to retain the proceeds of the sale.



December Recognition

Special Education Day

December 2

Computer Science Education Week

December 6-12



**Dinwiddie County Public
Schools & Offices**
will be closed for WINTER BREAK

Monday, December 20, 2021 - Friday, December 31, 2021

Normal hours of operation will resume on Monday, January 3, 2022.