

Princess Anne, Maryland  
June 17, 2003

By unanimous vote, the Somerset County Board of Education session at the J. M. Tawes Technology & Career Center, Tuesday, June 17, 2003, 7:00 p.m. Present were: Chairman Dick Scott, Vice Chairman James R. Byrd, Mr. Ernest Satchell, Mr. Jack Willing, Superintendent Mr. Ernest Satchell, Mr. Jack Willing, and Ms. Chisholm. The meeting was closed to discuss personnel. The meeting was closed pursuant to Section 508(a) of the State Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Scott at 7:00 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

The roll was called by Ms. Chisholm indicating the following were present.

## **DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

Chairman Scott declared a quorum to be present.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Scott led the Board in the pledge of allegiance.

## **MINUTES**

Motion - Mr. Willing, second - Mr. Paul and passed, to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2003 regular meeting and the June 9, 2003 special meeting, as published.

## **AGENDA**

Motion - Mr. Byrd, second - Mr. Willing and passed, to adopt the agenda presented.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No opinions were voiced during public participation.

## **RECOGNITION OF STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS**

Chairman Scott presented student board member, Katie Ford, representing her daughter Sara Grosky, with citations from the governor recognizing their year of service to the Somerset County Board of Education. Chairman Scott expressed appreciation to the Board for the opportunity to serve as a student member of the Washington High School Student Board. Superintendent expressing appreciation for allowing her to serve as student representative of Washington High School.

## **STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT**

Katie Ford reported on activities in her district. She introduced and welcomed incoming student board members, Leah High School and Kyle Ward, Crisfield High School.

## **EXTERNAL DIPLOMA GRADUATE**

Teresa West, External Diploma Coordinator provided an update on the External Diploma Program and recognition was given to External Diploma Graduates Burnette and Dana Marshall.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **POLICY 600-31- CELLULAR PHONES**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, It was moved by Mr. Byrd and passed, to approve Policy 600-31, Cellular Phones.

### **POLICY 600-38 - CORPORAL PUNISHMENT**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by Mr. Willing and seconded by Mr. Willing and passed, to approve Policy 600-38, Corporal Punishment.

### **FACILITIES MASTER PLAN**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by Mr. Willing and seconded by Mr. Willing and passed, to approve the Facilities Master Plan as presented.

## **MEDIA HANDBOOK**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, it was seconded by Mr. Paul and passed, to approve the Media Handbook. Smoker.

## **SPECIAL EDUCATION STAFFING PLAN**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, it was seconded by Mr. Satchell and passed, to approve the Special Education Staffing Plan submitted by Ms. Reich.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **STUDENT LOVING ARMS PROGRAM**

Jonathan Gerity, a student at Washington High School regarding the Student Loving Arms Program -- Students Helping Students. .

## **PERSONNEL**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, it was seconded by Mr. Paul and passed, to approve the following: Lt. Col. David H. Sanchez; resignation: Kelly McLaughlin; retirement: Eugene Borden.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, it was seconded by Mr. Willing and passed to approve the purchase of a used bus to be used for training purposes not to exceed \$5,000.

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## **MGT REPORT FOLLOW-UP SCHEDULE**

Mr. Cain provided listening to citizen concerns regarding the MGT Audit Report.

## **BUDGET REVISIONS**

Dr. Brofee presented budget revisions due to disparity funding. Upon recommendation of Willing, seconded by Mr. Byrd and passed to approve the budget by the Superintendent. Mr. Paul's vote was in the negative.

### **SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

Mr. Johnson provided a report on summer activities for

### **TECHNOLOGY PLAN REPORT**

Mrs. Smoker provided a progress report received Board approval the previous year.

### **J.M. TAWES AUTO MECHANICS REPORT**

Mr. Bloodsworth reported on the ASE cer Program. Mr. Melvin Higgs, instructor of auto mechanics, accomplishment.

### **SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Dr. Brofee stated the importance of group meetings and encouraged participation. In addition, appreciation to the staff for the excellent work they do with our students.

### **JULY BOARD MEETING**

Motion - Mr. Satchell, second - Mr. Willing and passed, to hold the July meeting on July 29, 2003, closed session at 6:00 p.m., and of the J. M. Tawes Technology & Career Center.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Karen-Lee N. Brofee, Secretary/Superintendent  
Prepared by: Sarah T. Chisholm