



**MINUTES**  
**CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY SCHOOLS**  
**Martin Luther King, Jr. Performing Arts Center**  
**Electronic/Zoom Virtual Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 17, 2020 (5:00 PM)**

**1.1 Call to Order:** School Board Chair Lisa Torres called the meeting to order at 5:01pm. Ms. Torres asked for approval from the Board for Dr. Kraft to attend the meeting virtually due to a personal matter. Ms. McKeever made a motion to approve Dr. Kraft's virtual participation in this meeting, seconded by Mr. Wade. Upon a roll-call vote being taken, the motion carried with Mr. Bryant, Dr. Kraft, Ms. McKeever, Ms. Puryear, Ms. Torres, and Mr. Wade voting yes. 6 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Bryson Morsberger was not present for this vote.

**2.1 Moment of Silence:** Ms. Torres asked all those present to observe a moment of silence.

**3.1 Roll Call of Board Members:**

The following Board Members were present:	Mr. James Bryant	Ms. Lashundra Bryson Morsberger
	Dr. Sherry Kraft	Ms. Jennifer McKeever
	Ms. Lisa Torres	Ms. Leah Puryear
	Mr. Juandiego Wade	

The following Board Members were absent:	None
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The following Staff Members were present:	Mr. James Henderson	Ms. Kim Powell
	Dr. Katina Otey	Ms. Renee Hoover
	Dr. Beth Baptist	Dr. Keith Hubbard
	Ms. Gertrude Ivory	Ms. Leslie Thacker
	Ms. Julia Green	

The following Staff Members were absent:	Mr. Pat Cuomo
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**4.1 Approval of Proposed Agenda:** Ms. McKeever made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Wade, to approve the proposed agenda. Upon a roll-call vote being taken, the motion carried with Mr. Bryant, Ms. Bryson Morsberger, Dr. Kraft, Ms. McKeever, Ms. Puryear, Ms. Torres, and Mr. Wade voting yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**5.1 Comments from Members of the Community:** There were none.

**5.2 Public Forum - Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services:** There were none.

**6.1-2 Adoption of Consent Agenda:** Items from the consent agenda included **Personnel Recommendations**,

Ms. McKeever made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wade to approve the proposed agenda. Upon a roll-call vote being taken, the motion carried with Mr. Bryant, Ms. Bryson Morsberger, Dr. Kraft, Ms. McKeever, Ms. Puryear, Ms. Torres, and Mr. Wade voting yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**Action Items**

**7.1 [Approval - 2021-2022 Policy Update](#):** Dr. Beth Baptist, Interim Director of Student Services and Achievement, presented the 2021-2022 Policy Update for Board consideration on June 10, 2021. Upon input from the Board revisions were made as follows:

- EFB/Food Services: Ms. Powell and Mr. Jones reviewed the proposed policy following the school board meeting and offered some revisions to help clarify the concerns.
- KNAJ/Relations With Law Enforcement Authorities: The new revisions in a red font were the ones recommended by Ms. McKeever and Ms. Bryson-Morsburger.
- JHCF/Schools Wellness Policy: No changes since the June 10 meeting except to show that notes regarding requirements from the state for PE times will be removed after approval.
- JHCF-R/Proposed Wellness Regulations: No changes since the June 10 meeting but provided again to show that no changes have been made to the advisory board's recommendations.

Ms. McKeever made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wade to approve the 2021-2022 Policy Update excluding Wellness Policy and Regulations (JHCF and JHCF-R) that will be presented at a later time. Upon a roll-call vote being taken, the motion carried with Mr. Bryant, Ms. Bryson Morsberger, Dr. Kraft, Ms. McKeever, Ms. Puryear, Ms. Torres, and Mr. Wade voting yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**7.2 [Approval - Return to Learn Virtual Options 2021-2022](#):** Dr. Katina Otey, Chief Academic Office; Summerlyn Thompson, Johnson Principal; Dr. Adam Hastings, Walker Principal; Pam Davis and C'ta DeLaurier, Buford Assistant Principals; and Dr. Eric Irizarry, Charlottesville High School Principal, presented an update on the 2021-2022 Return to Learn Virtual Option at the June 10, 2021 meeting. The item is now being presented for action.

**CCS Fall Reopening 2021-2022 Summary:** State Law Requires Five Days: The Commonwealth of Virginia has made it a legal requirement for all school divisions to offer five days of in-person instruction for all students in the fall via Senate Bill 1303. This law becomes effective in July 2021. CCS will offer a limited virtual option (application based) for Grades 3-8 in 2021-2022, and limited virtual options in grades 9-12. Our goal is to safely return our students to in-person instruction in 2021-2022.

<b>Five Days of In-Person Instruction for PK-12</b>				
Pk-2 In-Person Instruction	Grades 3-4 In-Person Instruction Virtual Option (application based)	Grades 5-6 In-Person Instruction Virtual Option (application based)	Grades 7-8 In-Person Instruction Virtual Option (application based)	Grades 9-12 In-Person Instruction Virtual Option for Personal Finance, Econ, Health / PE, Virtual VA

Board discussion included comments around the lack of flexibility with Virtual Virginia and encouraged staff to address individual student needs as much as possible.

**Items for Discussion**

**8.1 [Leadership Profile Presentation from Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates - Superintendent Search](#):** Lisa Torres, Board Chair, introduced Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates consultants Dr. Brad Draeger and Ann Monday

who presented information on the results of the Superintendent Leadership Profile Development. Information presented included a Leadership Profile Report and Survey Results.

## **Board Response to Written Reports**

**9.1 Update Regarding Implementation of New Safety Model:** Kim Powell, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations, prepared the Update Regarding Implementation of New Safety Model written report for Board information. Information provided included a summary of the status and plans for implementation of key components of the new safety model for the 2021-2022 school year.

**10.1 Comments from Members of the Community:** There were none.

### **11.1 Board Member Comments:**

- Dr. Kraft noted that she was struck with the solemn task before the Board in finding the right person to lead the Division and that she appreciated the work put into the Leadership Profile Report. She also noted the importance of the community panel's participation and the importance of confidentiality throughout the process.
- Mr. Bryant noted that comments provided in the Leadership Profile Report were interesting and encouraged community members to read it.
- Ms. Puryear noted that the hiring of a Superintendent is one of the most important jobs for a school board and highlighted the importance of hiring someone to take the Division to another level.
- Ms. Torres noted that she was initially overwhelmed by the momentous task of hiring a Superintendent but that after the evening's presentation she felt some peace around the process. She noted that there is still much work ahead but that the Board seems to be in good hands with HYA.

**12.1 Superintendent's Comments:** Mr. Henderson provided an update on the recent lifting of mask mandates and noted that vaccinated staff working in non-student locations are no longer required to wear masks. Employees in any building with students are still required to wear masks.

**13.1 Work Session Wrap-Up - Dr. Beth Baptist:** There was one request from the Board:


- The Board requested that the virtual learning application include the statement that if additional help is needed to let the Division know.

**14.1 Upcoming Meetings:** Ms. Torres read the list of upcoming meetings and activities.

**15.1 Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

A video of the June 17, 2021 meeting can be located at:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a5u8-BgW\\_lg4zthxtQu-pAcz1tMtHUHa/view?ts=60d1f7b2](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a5u8-BgW_lg4zthxtQu-pAcz1tMtHUHa/view?ts=60d1f7b2)



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Lisa Torres, School Board Chair



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Leslie Thacker, School Board Deputy Clerk