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[00:00:11] I would like to welcome everyone to the March 12, 2026 work session of the Henrico County

[00:02:11] School Board. We'll now proceed with the Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence. I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice, may we all remain standing for a moment of silence.

[00:02:48] Thank you. PROCEED WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA. COLLEAGUES, IS THERE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA?

[00:03:04] I MOVE THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR TODAY'S MEETING. MOTION BY MR. YOUNG. DO I HAVE A SECOND? SECOND. THANK YOU, MS. SELLA. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE. AYE. ALL THOSE OPPOSED. THE AYES HAVE IT.

[00:03:19] THE AGENDA IS APPROVED. THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS A CLOSED MEETING. IS THERE A MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION? I MOVE THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD GO INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE DISCUSSION OF MATTERS COVERED UNDER ITEMS A1 AND A7 OF SECTION 2.2-3711 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA 1950 AS AMENDED PERTAINING TO THE ASSIGNMENT, APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, PERFORMANCE, DEMOTION, SALARIES, DISCIPLINING, OR RESIGNATION OF SPECIFIC SCHOOL BOARD EMPLOYEES AND CONSULTATION WITH STAFF AND SCHOOL BOARD COUNCIL

REGARDING ACTUAL OR PROBABLE LITIGATION INVOLVING A PUBLIC NUISANCE WHERE SUCH CONSULTATION

[00:03:57] IN AN OPEN MEETING WOULD ADVERSELY AFFECT THE NEGOTIATING OR LITIGATING POSTURE OF THE PUBLIC BODY. Thank you, Mrs. Shea. Do I have a second? Second. Thank you, Mrs. Atkins. All those in favor say aye. Aye. The ayes have it. I'm sorry. All those opposed?

[00:04:15] The ayes have it. We will now go into closed session. We will reconvene the work session at the conclusion of our closed meeting.

[00:38:11] Okay. We have returned from closed session. Is there a motion to certify closed session?

[00:38:40] I move that the school board certified by a recorded vote that to the best of each school board member's knowledge only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and identified in the motion authorizing the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered in the closed meeting. Thank you, Mr. Young. Do I have a second?

[00:39:06] Second. Thank you, Mrs. Atkins. All in favor say aye. Aye. All opposed? The ayes have it. Closed session has been certified. NEW SPEAKER: IS THERE A MOTION TO APPROVE -- I'M SORRY, WE'RE NOT THERE YET -- WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO THE APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA. COLLEAGUES, IS THERE ANY ITEMS IN HERE THAT YOU WANT TO PULL OUT? HEARING NONE, IS THERE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED?

[00:39:40] NEW SPEAKER: I MOVE THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE ITEM 5.01 AS PRESENTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. NEW SPEAKER: THANK YOU, MS. KINZELLA. DO I HAVE A SECOND? NEW SPEAKER: SECOND. All in favor say aye. Aye. All opposed? The ayes have it. Item 5.01 on the consent agenda is approved. We'll now move on to the public forum. Citizens had the opportunity to submit written comments through an online form in advance of the meeting. Those comments were shared with the school board and are posted in board docs for public record. We'll now move to

[00:40:19] unfinished business colleagues do we have any unfinished business uh we'll move on to new business college do we have any new business chair irving i do have a few updates that i'd like to share first i'm pleased to announce that the verina district community athletic advisory committee also known as vaac has officially launched the committee has about 15 members it's chaired by Ms. Johnson. She is also an HCPS employee, and they're currently in the process of developing their employees, and I'll be sure to keep each of you and the superintendent abreast as they progress.

[00:40:59] Also, speaking of celebrating, because that was a huge celebration for that, I want to highlight a very special tribute to Ms. Alice Robinson. She will be honored on Thursday, March 19th at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium at Verina High School. Everyone is welcome to attend, and also many thanks to Mayford's principal, Ms. Bourgeois, and her team, along with Principal Sears and Athletic Director Folsom at Verina High School for helping make this tribute possible. Then I'll shift gears just for a bit, colleagues. I want to share with you on Monday I went to the GRIT conference. GRIT

[00:41:38] stands for growing resources of information technology and so students from the center for information technology at deep run high school participated in this con conference and it was incredibly thought-provoking some of the topics ranged from artificial intelligence to cyber security to soft skills to

salaries to what jobs are not going to exist because of artificial intelligence or ai's and i just wanted to share i was very impressed with deep run high school

[00:42:13] students and then on yesterday i had the privilege of attending rule of law students day at the supreme court of virginia this is hosted by chief justice cleo powell she is also the first black female justice for the supreme court of virginia and so students from richmond and newkin along with Henrico County middle schools and high schools participating in this they did mock trials they had real life legal scenarios you had Jennifer McClellan and some of the other dignitaries

[00:42:46] there as well to explain the judicial system and attorneys and all the things it was quite magnificent I also want to congratulate Highland Springs High School students Arielle Boone and Angelique Leonard for winning the logo contest. So Chief Justice had a contest and was looking for particular students that participated in this to develop a logo for this program. And so those Highland Springs students submission was selected and they were the winners. Additionally, congratulations to Verena High School student Nazifa Parmi for her winning essay that will be

[00:43:26] displayed in court for all to see and uh they each one that participated middle and high school so the middle school uh event happened yesterday high school hyphen happened earlier today and everyone that participated will receive a certificate and anyone interested i did pick up more stuff from that event to give to each of you and then lastly verina sanston and highland springs we have a community meeting. That meeting is going to take place on March 26th at 6 p.m. at Gravel Hill Center

[00:43:59] of Verina. The address is 5417 Long Ridge Road, Henrico, Virginia 23231. Childcare is provided, dinner is also provided, and the topic is toxic pollution and health impacts in the East End.

[00:44:14] All are welcome. I look forward to being there amongst many of you and participating in this VERY IMPORTANT DISCUSSION. CHAIR IRVING, THE FLOOR IS YOURS. THANK YOU, MS. ATKINS. ANY OTHER NEW BUSINESS FOR COLLEAGUES? OKAY. HEARING NONE, WE'LL MOVE ON TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MEETING DATES.

[00:44:31] THE SCHOOL BOARD'S NEXT MEETING WILL BE A WORK SESSION ON THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2026 AT 3 P.M. FOLLOWED BY A MONTHLY MEETING AT 6:30 P.M. MEETING TIMES MAY BE ADJUSTED AS NEEDED. THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED.



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