

The Amherst County School Board met in special session on Thursday, April 26, 2018, in the Board Room of the School Administration Office, Amherst, Virginia at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:           W. Michael Henderson, Chairman  
                  Priscilla M. Liggon, Vice Chairman  
                  David S. Cassise  
                  Jennifer E. Cumby  
                  Francisco D. Mayo  
                  Craig S. Terwilliger  
                  Abby J. Thompson

ABSENT:           Haleigh Tomlin, Student Representative

Mr. Henderson called the meeting to order.

Mr. Henderson stated the purpose of the special meeting was to recognize employees with 25 years of service and the 2018 retirees from Amherst County Public Schools.

Mr. Henderson asked if there was a motion to approve the agenda.

Mr. Terwilliger made a motion to amend the agenda to include a closed meeting for personnel matters to be held at the end of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Thompson. Mr. Henderson asked for a roll call vote.

AYES:           Cumby, Mayo, Thompson, Terwilliger, Cassise

NAYES:         Henderson, Liggon

The April 26, 2018, agenda was approved as amended.

Dr. Rogers introduced Mrs. Michelle Abbott, music teacher at Amherst Elementary School. The students from Amherst Elementary sang three songs to honor the retirees.

Dr. Rogers recognized Amherst County Public Schools' employees with 25 years of service. Dr. Rogers expressed appreciation to the employees for their service and dedication to the students of Amherst County Public Schools. Mr. Henderson, assisted by Dr. Nichols, presented each employee with a Certificate of Recognition for their service to Amherst County Public Schools.

Dr. Rogers introduced the employees who retired during the year as well as the employees who will be retiring at the end of the 2017-18 school year. Dr. Rogers expressed appreciation to each of the individuals for their service and dedication to Amherst County Public Schools. Dr. Rogers introduced the employees who are retiring and their immediate supervisor. The retirees were recognized by their supervisors for their dedication and service to Amherst County Public Schools. Mr. Henderson and Dr. Nichols presented each retiree with a coupon for a rocking chair that can be picked up from Lowes in Madison Heights, Virginia.

Mr. Henderson stated the Board would take a brief break to congratulate the employees that were recognized at the School Board meeting.

Mr. Henderson called the meeting back to order.

Mr. Henderson stated the next item on the agenda was a closed session for personnel matters.

Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A) (1), of the Code of Virginia, upon motion by Mr. Cassise, seconded by Mr. Mayo and unanimously carried, the Board convened a closed meeting for (A) (1) personnel matters – employment of personnel.

Upon motion by Mr. Cassise, seconded by Mr. Mayo and unanimously carried, the Board resumed their meeting in open session.

**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING**

**WHEREAS**, the Amherst County School Board has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative record and in accordance with provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.2 – 3712 (D) and 2.2 - 3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this School Board that such closed meeting was conducted in accordance with provisions of the Freedom of Information Act; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Amherst County School Board hereby certifies that to the best of each members knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirement by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which certification applies, and (ii) only such public matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered.

Upon motion by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. Liggon and unanimously carried, the Board certified they discussed only permissible topics.

AYES: Henderson, Liggon, Cumby, Mayo, Thompson, Terwilliger, Cassise

NAYS: None

Mr. Henderson asked if there was a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Upon motion by Mr. Cassise, seconded by Mr. Terwilliger and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.



Teresa C. Crouch, Clerk  
Amherst County Public Schools



W. Michael Henderson, Chairman  
Amherst County Public Schools