

The Amherst County School Board met in special session on Monday, May 14, 2018, in the Board Room of the School Administration Office, Amherst, Virginia at 4:00 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: None

Mr. Henderson called the meeting to order, asked that a moment of silence be observed, and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Henderson asked if there was a motion to approve the agenda for the May 14, 2018, special School Board meeting.

Upon motion by Mrs. Liggon, seconded by Mr. Terwilliger and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda for the May 14, 2018, special School Board meeting.

Mr. Henderson stated the next item on the agenda was the appointment of the Superintendent for Amherst County Public Schools.

Mrs. Cumby made a motion to appoint Dr. Rob Arnold as the Superintendent for Amherst County Public Schools beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cassise and unanimously carried.

Mr. Henderson stated the next item on the agenda was to approve the contract for the Superintendent of Amherst County Public Schools.

Mr. Terwilliger made a motion to approve the contract for the Superintendent of Amherst County Public Schools. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Thompson and unanimously carried.

Mr. Henderson stated the next item on the agenda was to authorize the Amherst County School Board Chairman to sign the contract for the Superintendent of Amherst County Public Schools.

Mrs. Liggon made a motion to authorize the Amherst County School Board Chairman to sign the contract for the Superintendent of Amherst County Public Schools. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mayo and unanimously carried.

Mr. Henderson introduced Dr. Rob Arnold as the new Superintendent of Amherst County Public Schools. Mr. Henderson shared the following information:

Dr. Arnold has been a passionate and committed educator for the past 25 years. His career has been dedicated to providing all students with the opportunities needed to reach their full potential and attain their future goals.

After graduating in 1993 from the University of Virginia, Rob started his career as a seventh-grade science teacher and a football, basketball, and baseball coach at William

Campbell Combined School in Campbell County. After spending two years as an Assistant Principal at Rustburg High School and Rustburg Middle School, he returned to William Campbell where he served as the Principal for the next 11 years.

During this time, Dr. Arnold led the school to full accreditation each year. The school also experienced their first state championships in school history, accumulating six during his tenure.

In 2009, Dr. Arnold was appointed Assistant Superintendent in Campbell County Schools and has served in that position for the last nine years. He oversees all curriculum and instruction issues as it pertains to almost 8000 students and 650 certified staff. He supervises six separate departments including elementary instruction, secondary instruction, assessment, technology, special education, and student support services. Dr. Arnold also manages a \$58 million instructional budget.

Dr. Arnold is most proud of the development of several programs that provide students with opportunities to become career and college ready upon graduation. These programs include Early College, the CTE Dual Enrollment Program, STEM Academy, and the Advanced Placement Initiative.

Dr. Arnold introduced his wife and son who were present at the meeting. Dr. Arnold expressed appreciation to the members of the Amherst County School Board for appointing him as Superintendent of Amherst County Public Schools. Dr. Arnold stated he was inspired by the people in Amherst County. Dr. Arnold stated he looks forward to working in Amherst County.

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

Upon motion by Mrs. Liggon, seconded by Mr. Cassise and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned the meeting at 4:14 p.m.



Teresa C. Crouch, Clerk
Amherst County Public Schools



W. Michael Henderson, Chairman
Amherst County Public Schools