COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA October 18, 2023

The Board of Education ("Board") convened on October 18, 2023, in the Board Room, 22nd Floor, James Monroe Building, 101 North 14th Street, Richmond, VA 23219, with the following members present:

Mrs. Grace Creasey, President Mr. Bill Hansen, Vice President

Mrs. Mashea Ashton Ms. Anne Holton Mrs. Debbie Kilgore Dr. Amber Northern

Mr. Andy Rotherham Dr. Alan Seibert (participated remotely)

Mr. Dale Sturdifen Dr. Lisa Coons, State Superintendent of Public

Instruction

President Creasey noted that she approved Dr. Seibert's remote participation because their principal residence is more than 60 miles from the meeting location under the Board's Bylaws and § 2.2-3708.3(B)(3) of the Code of Virginia.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board convened on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of considering disciplinary cases related to teacher licensure. Mr. Hansen made a motion to enter into a Closed Session in accordance with § 2.2-3711 and/or 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia, under the following enumerated subsection:

Subsection 40: Discussion or consideration by the Board of Education of information relating to the denial, suspension, or revocation of teacher licenses subject to the exclusion in subdivision 11 of § 2.2-3705.3.

And that legal counsel to the Virginia Board of Education and staff, whose presence would aid in this matter, participate in the closed meeting. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. The Board went into closed session at 9:00 am. Mr. Hansen made a motion that the Board reconvene in open session at 12:15 p.m.

President Creasey made a motion that the Board certify by roll-call vote that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempt from open meeting requirements under Chapter 37 of Title 2.2 of the Code of Virginia and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered.

Board roll call:

Mrs. Kilgore – aye

Ms. Ashton – aye

Dr. Seibert – aye

Mr. Hansen – aye

Mrs. Creasey – aye

Dr. Northern – aye

Mr. Rotherham – aye

Ms. Holton – aye

Mr. Sturdifen – aye

Mr. Rotherham made a motion to issue a license to the individual in Case No. 01. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. Hansen made a motion to suspend the license of Steven Patrick Campbell for two years, with reinstatement contingent upon appearing before the Board. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. Rotherham made a motion to deny a license to William Arthur Sorenson. The motion was seconded and carried with the following vote:

Mrs. Kilgore – object

Ms. Ashton – aye

Dr. Seibert – aye

Mr. Hansen – object

Mrs. Creasey – aye

Dr. Northern – object

Mr. Rotherham – aye

Ms. Holton – object

Mr. Sturdifen – aye

Mr. Hansen made a motion to deny a license to Eeman Salem. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. Hansen made a motion to issue a provisional license to the individual in Case No. 05 based upon completion of licensure requirements and employment by a public school division or accredited private school. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Ms. Holton made a motion to issue a license to the individual in Case No. 06. The motion was seconded and carried with the following vote:

Mrs. Kilgore – aye

Ms. Ashton – aye

Dr. Seibert – object

Mr. Hansen – aye

Mrs. Creasey – object

Dr. Northern – aye

Mr. Rotherham – object

Ms. Holton – aye

Mr. Sturdifen – aye

WORK SESSION

The Board convened in a work session on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at 1:25 p.m. The agenda and meeting materials can be found on the Board's page on the VDOE website. The topics discussed included the Board's prescriptions on the Standards of Quality and the Board's Comprehensive Plan. No votes were taken.

DINNER MEETING

The Board met for a public dinner on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Tobacco Company restaurant with the following members present: Mr. Hansen, Mr. Rotherham, Mrs. Kilgore, Ms. Holton, Dr. Seibert, Dr. Northern, and Mrs. Ashton. No votes were taken. The dinner event ended at 8:30 p.m.

Mrs. Grace Turner Creasey, M.Ed.

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President, Virginia Board of Education