March 22, 2022
LOUDOUN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
5:30 p.m.
Presiding: Jeff Morse, Chair

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pranamya Jindal, a fifth-grader at Cardinal Ridge Elementary School, who recently won the National Kidwind challenge competition by building a wind turbine that generates electricity, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Blue Ridge Middle School participants in All-County Choir or All-District Choir under the direction of Grace Guiney sang the National Anthem. These students included eighth-graders Charlotte Abbe, Gabriel Davis, Zindel Garcia de la Cruz, Oscar Little, Norah McCormick and Julia Miller; seventh-graders Sawyer Clark, Andrew Doyle, Ava Smith and Caroline Titterington; and sixth-graders Aiden Culkowski, Ryan Dascenzo, Isabella Panico, Elyse Rath and Maddy Smith.

ACTION

The School Board Approved:
- Minutes; Department of Instruction: School Business Partnership Recommendations for the 2022 Virginia School Boards Association (VSBA) Honor Roll; Legislative and Policy Committee: Revisions to Policy 2160, Conflict of Interests and Disclosure of Economic Interests; Department of Support Services: Current Elementary School Students Affected by Attendance Zone Changes – Policy 8160 Survey Results for Certain Rising Grade Five Students; Finance and Operations Committee: Revision of Policy 4150, Financial Accounting and Reporting; Finance and Operations Committee: Adoption of Policy 8020, Relations with School Support Organizations; Finance and Operations Committee: RFP #R18169 Geotechnical and Construction Testing Services, Renewal; and Finance Operations Committee: IFB 22-503 Contract Award for Modular Classroom Installations; and Personnel Actions, including the following administrative appointments:

Dr. Daniel W. Smith as chief of staff, effective April 18, 2022. Dr. Smith holds a bachelor’s degree in kinesiology from James Madison University; a master’s degree in education administration from Shenandoah University; and a doctorate in education, curriculum and instruction from the University of Virginia. He has served as a physical education teacher for Kotzebue Middle/High School for the Northwest Arctic Borough School District in Kotzebue, Alaska; as a physical education at Ashby Lee Elementary and an assistant principal at Sandy Hook Elementary, both for Shenandoah County Public Schools; as principal of Grove Hill Elementary and principal of Luray Middle School for Page County Public Schools; as principal of Corporate Landing Middle School, Princess Anne High School and Floyd E. Kellam High School for Virginia Beach City Public Schools; and as principal of Lake Braddock Secondary School for Fairfax County Public Schools.

Wesley D. Allen as assistant division counsel, effective April 11, 2022. Mr. Allen holds a bachelor of arts degree from the College of William & Mary; a juris doctor degree from the William & Mary School of Law; and a master’s degree in education from Harvard University. He has served as a law clerk for the Honorable Mary Grace O’Brien, presiding judge of the 31st Judicial Circuit of Virginia; as an associate attorney with Bancroft, McGavin, Horvath & Judkins, P.C.; as associate director of corporate and foundation relations for the Rowan University Division of University Advancement at Rowan University in Glassboro, N.J.; as an associate attorney with Blankingship & Keith, P.C.; and as senior counsel for Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani, LLP.

Brittany Hensley as director, payroll, effective April 4, 2022. Ms. Hensley holds a bachelor’s degree in sports management from Barron College. She has been a service manager for Wells Fargo Bank in Greenville and Garner, N.C.; an accounts payable specialist, departmental accounting for Wake County, N.C., Public Schools; project coordinator supervisor of payroll services and chief of payroll for the Retirement Systems Division for the State Health Plan of North Carolina, North Carolina Department of State Treasurer.
... Month of the Military Child Proclamation  
... Finance and Operations Committee: Revision of Policy 4350, Vendor Relations  
... Department of Support Services: Consideration of Revisions to the Mission of the Douglass High School Commemorative Committee  
... Autism Acceptance Month Proclamation  

INFORMATION ITEMS

Business and Financial Services: Superintendent Dr. Scott Ziegler and Chief Financial Officer Sharon Willoughby presented a Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Update.  
Office of the Superintendent: Dr. Ziegler presented the Superintendent's Operational Update. School Board member Denise Corbo (At-Large) introduced a discussion on the Equity Committee Member Application and Appointment Process. School Board Chair Jeff Morse (Dulles District) introduced a discussion on Digital Experience Specialists - Annual Leave Policy.  
Chair Morse led a discussion on the Charter for Loudoun Education Alliance of Families (LEAF).  
Joint Committee of the Board of Supervisors and School Board: Chief Operations Officer Kevin Lewis detailed the committee's work plan.  
Finance and Operations Committee: Chair Morse addressed the Adoption of Policy 4110, Custody and Disbursement of Loudoun County Public School Funds.  
Finance and Operations Committee: Mrs. Willoughby spoke about Revision of Policy 4165, Procedures for Reporting and Investigating Fraud, Embezzlement and Fiscal Dishonesty.  
Department of Support Services: Mr. Lewis gave a presentation concerning School Board Policy 6210 Student Transportation - Annual Review of Walk Zones.  

DELEGATIONS (Virtual Comments)

A total of 43 speakers addressed the School Board. Lindsey Carrasco spoke about the renovation of Park View High School. Craig Lykens, Pam Rutyna, Jessica Tyrra, Michaela Garrison, Valerie Smith, Ruth Kieffer, Janny Cho, Mary McClintock, Tim McClintock, Benjamin Smith, Allison Isom and Heather Hughes asked the School Board to restore Virtual Loudoun for students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Christopher Hodges and Brenda Bengston spoke about equity concerns. Deepthi Ganta addressed the changes in school starting times for the 2022-23 school year.  

DELEGATIONS (Live Comments)