

THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF VIRGINIA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 64, CASS COUNTY, WHICH WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 7TH, 2025, IN THE VIRGINIA 64 MEDIA CENTER.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY BOARD PRESIDENT CASEY FRENCH AT 6:00 PM WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ANSWERING PRESENT, GARY BELL, MARC GIOVANNINI, DUSTIN FRITSCHKE, CASEY FRENCH AND SARAH BROCKHOUSE. BETH COX WAS ABSENT.

ALSO, PRESENT WERE SUPERINTENDENT MEKELLE NEATHERY AND NEWS MEDIA MICHELLE CARTY.

BOARD PRESIDENT CASEY FRENCH RECOGNIZED MRS. BETH COX FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE VIRGINIA CUSD #64 BOARD OF EDUCATION. MR. FRENCH ALSO RECOGNIZED AND HONORED MRS. STEPHANIE HOBROCK FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE VIRGINIA CUSD#64 BOARD OF EDUCATION AND FOR HER LEADERSHIP, COMMITMENT AND CARE FOR OUR STUDENTS, STAFF AND COMMUNITY THAT HAVE MADE A LASTING IMPACT.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. GIOVANNINI AND SECONDED BY MR. FRITSCHKE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. ROLL CALL:

BELL,	YES	FRITSCHKE,	YES
GIOVANNINI,	YES	BROCKHOUSE,	YES
COX,	ABSENT		
FRENCH,	YES		

SEATING OF THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS: GARY BELL, MARC GIOVANNINI, CASEY FRENCH AND AUTUMN FOSTER.

MR. FRITSCHKE LED THE NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS IN THE OFFICIAL OATH OF OFFICE.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. FRITSCHKE AND SECONDED BY MR. BELL TO ADJOURN SINE DIE AT 6:07 PM.

THE REORGANIZED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:08 PM WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ANSWERING PRESENT AUTUMN FOSTER, GARY BELL, MARC GIOVANNINI, DUSTIN FRITSCHKE, SARAH BROCKHOUSE AND CASEY FRENCH.

SUPERINTENDENT MRS. NEATHERY WAS APPOINTED PRESIDENT PRO-TEM.

MRS. NEATHERY ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD PRESIDENT. MR. CASEY FRENCH WAS NOMINATED.

MR. CASEY FRENCH WAS ELECTED BOARD PRESIDENT WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR ANSWERING AYE.

BOARD PRESIDENT CASEY FRENCH ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD VICE – PRESIDENT. MR. GARY BELL WAS NOMINATED.

MR. GARY BELL WAS ELECTED BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR ANSWERING AYE.

BOARD PRESIDENT CASEY FRENCH ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD SECRETARY. MR. DUSTIN FRITSCHKE WAS NOMINATED.

MR. DUSTIN FRITSCHKE WAS ELECTED BOARD SECRETARY WITH ALL MEMBERS IN FAVOR ANSWERING AYE.

ITEMS DISCUSSED AT THE BOARD MEETING WERE THE CURRENT 2 YEAR TERM BOARD VACANCY. THE BOARD DECIDED TO HAVE ALL APPLICATIONS TURNED IN VIA EMAIL TO BOARD PRESIDENT CASEY FRENCH BY FRIDAY, MAY 16TH, 2025.

THE NEW BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEES WERE DISCUSSED AND REORGANIZED. CHANGES MADE WERE AUTUMN FOSTER WILL JOIN THE FINACE COMMITTEE AND CASEY FRENCH WILL JOIN THE EXTRACURRICULAR/CO-OP COMMITTEE.

NEW SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEES:

LABOR MANAGEMENT: SARAH BROCKHOUSE, DUSTIN FRITSCHKE AND MARC GIOVANNINI

OBM: GARY BELL, DUSTIN FRITSCHKE AND MARC GIOVANNINI

FINACE: SARAH BROCKHOUSE AND SUTUMN FOSTER

EXTRACURRICULAR// CO-OP: CASEY FRENCH AND DUSTIN FRITSCHKE

CURRICULUM: SARAH BROCKHOUSE AND GARY BELL

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. GIOVANNINI AND SECONDED BY MRS. BROCKHOUSE TO APPROVE THE BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE. ROLL CALL:

GIOVANNINI,	YES		
FOSTER,	YES	FRITSCHKE,	YES
BELL.	YES	BROCKHOUSE,	YES
FRENCH,	YES		

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. GIOVANNINI AND SECONDED BY MR. BELL TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S BOND. ROLL CALL:

BELL,	YES	FRITSCHKE,	YES
GIOVANNINI,	YES	BROCKHOUSE,	YES
FOSTER,	YES		
FRENCH,	YES		

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MR. FRITSCHKE AND SECONDED BY MR. GIOVANNINI TO APPROVE THE PERSONNEL REPORT AS PRESENTED HIRING DAWN CUBA AND PENNY HASSE FELGENHAUER AS SUMMER BREAKFAST AND LUNCH ASSISTANT EFFECTIVE 06/02/2025, CHRISSY BINGHAM AND LYNZE BRUNK AS SUMMER CUSTODIAN EFFECTIVE 6/2/2025-7/31/2025 AND LINDA BROWN AS INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY LIAISON EFFECTIVE 08/01/2025. RESIGNATIONS WERE BETH ASAMA AS SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER EFFECTIVE 5/5/2025 AND KAYLIE VINYARD AS JR. HIGH GIRLS' ASSISTANT BASKETBALL COACH EFFECTIVE 5/7/2025. ROLL CALL:

BROCKHOUSE, YES
FRITSCHKE, YES
FOSTER, YES

GIOVANNINI, YES
BELL, YES
FRENCH, YES

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MRS. BROCKHOUSE AND SECONDED BY MR. FRITSCHKE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:16 PM WITH ALL SAYING AYE.

CASEY FRENCH, PRESIDENT

DUSTIN FRITSCHKE, SECRETARY

