



County of Prince Edward
Board of Supervisors
Agenda Summary

Meeting Date: February 8, 2011
Item No.: 8
Department: County Administration
Staff Contact: Sarah Elam Puckett
Issue: School Board Appointments

Summary: The terms of the following School Board members expire as of June 30, 2011:

District 201 – Susan Lawman (Supervisor Jones)
District 601 – Thomas Tillerson (Supervisor Campbell)

Attachments: Criteria for Selection of School Board Members

Recommendations:

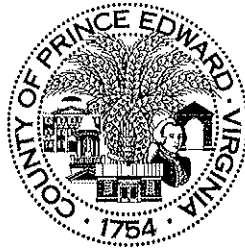
1. Supervisor Jones and Supervisor Campbell will announce their respective Citizen Committees at the February Board meeting.
2. The Board will authorize the advertisement of the Citizen Committees for the purpose of encouraging citizens to submit nominations to the Committee.
3. The Board will authorize a public hearing for the March Board meeting, at which, citizens will have an opportunity to submit names of candidates to be considered for appointment to the School Board.
4. Supervisor Jones and Supervisor Campbell will wish to ask the members of their Citizen Committees to attend the Public Hearing at the March Board meeting.

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Adopted: November 13, 1984
Revised: August 10, 2004
Revised: January 13, 2009

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

1. Each of the eight School Board members shall be appointed by a majority vote of the full Board of Supervisors when the School Board members' terms expire. This vote of the Board of Supervisors shall be by the show of hands.
2. The School Board members' terms of office shall commence on July 1.
3. The criteria for the appointment of School Board members are as follow:
 - a. Each year, the Supervisor from each election district in which a School Board member's term expires shall appoint a three (3) or five (5) member Citizens Committee to review and select candidate(s) for appointment to the School Board.
 - b. The membership of the Citizens Committee shall be announced at the Board of Supervisors meeting in February and published in a newspaper of general circulation, and the voters of the electoral district encouraged to submit nominations to the Chairman of the Committee.
 - c. For the March Board meeting, the County Administrator shall schedule and publish notice of a public hearing at which citizens will have an opportunity to submit names of candidates to be considered for appointment to the School Board. The members of the appointed Citizens Committee shall attend.
 - d. After the public hearing, the Citizens Committee shall interview and seriously consider all persons who are nominated and express willingness to serve, if appointed.
 - e. At the April Board meeting, the Citizens Committee shall report to the full Board of Supervisors a list of candidates for consideration. If the incumbent is requesting reappointment and is the only citizen expressing an interest, the Citizens Committee shall only be required to submit one name, the incumbent's, for consideration. If the incumbent is not requesting reappointment or is ineligible for reappointment, the Citizens Committee shall submit one or more names for consideration. The Citizens Committee shall also provide the Board biographical information on each candidate.
 - f. At the May Board meeting, a public hearing shall be held on the candidate(s) submitted at the April meeting.
 - g. At the June meeting, the Board, by a majority vote, shall appoint one candidate to the School Board.
 - h. The Citizens Committee, in selecting the candidates, shall consider the following:
 1. Person must be an eligible voter and resident of the election district;
 2. Person should be a freeholder;
 3. Person must be willing to serve on the School Board;
 4. Person should have at least a high school education;
 5. Person should be oriented to public service;
 6. Person should be involved, concerned, and dedicated to public education;
 7. Person should be independent (base decisions on factual matters rather than as a representative of a group or faction);
 8. Person should be able to perform the duties and obligations of School Board members;
 9. Person should be of integrity in all matters;
 10. Person should be above prejudice with regard to race, creed, sex, religion, age, and national origin.