



County of Prince Edward
Board of Supervisors
Agenda Summary

Meeting Date: March 9, 2010
Item No.: 7
Department: County Administration
Staff Contact: Sarah Elam Puckett
Issue: PUBLIC HEARING: SCHOOL BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Summary: The terms of the following School Board members expire as of June 30, 2010:

District 101 – Mrs. Linda Leatherwood (Simpson)
District 701 – Dr. Lawrence Varner (Gilfillan)

Attachments: Public Hearing Notice
Criteria for Selection of School Board Members

Recommendations:

1. Supervisor Simpson and Supervisor Wiley will wish to introduce the members of their Citizen Committees who attend the Public Hearing at the March Board meeting.
2. Hold the Public Hearing, at which citizens will have an opportunity to submit names of candidates to be considered for appointment to the School Board.

Motion _____
Second _____

Campbell _____
Jones _____
Wilck _____

Fore _____
McKay _____
Wiley _____

Gantt _____
Simpson _____



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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 22.1-29.1 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 9, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Room, 3rd Floor, Prince Edward County Courthouse, 111 South Street, Farmville, Virginia. The purpose of this public hearing is to receive citizen input and recommendations on candidates to be considered for appointment to the Prince Edward County School Board from District 101 and District 801. Interested candidates are encouraged to attend. It is the County's intent to comply with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Should you need special accommodations, please contact W.W. Bartlett, County Administrator, at 434-392-8837, prior to March 5, 2010.

NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF ELECTION DISTRICTS 101 AND 801

The terms of office for the Prince Edward County School Board members for District 101 (Farmville District) and District 801 (Farmville District) expire effective June 30, 2010. To fill these vacancies, Citizen Committees for District 101 and District 801 have been appointed to recommend School Board nomination(s) for their respective district to the Board of Supervisors. The Citizen Committees are as follows:

District 101

William W. Poulston, Chair
611 Buffalo Street
Farmville, Virginia 23901
Phone: 434-392-4011

LaVonna H. Lyle
1922 Louise Street
Farmville, Virginia 23901
Phone: 434-392-9977

Kate L. Shorter
1812 Greenhouse Road
Farmville, Virginia 23901
Phone: 434-392-5364

District 801

Michelle Raybold, Chair
504 Church Street
Farmville, Virginia 23901
Phone: 434-315-0129

Ernestine Herndon
601 Longwood Avenue
Farmville, Virginia 23901
Phone: 434-392-4869

Patricia Holcomb
414 Putney Street
Farmville, Virginia 23901
Phone: 434-392-5140

Nancy Phaup
1100 Milnwood Road
Farmville, Virginia 23901
Phone: 434-392-3351

Ruth Watkins
515 South Bridge Street
Farmville, Virginia 23901
Phone: 434-392-8600

Persons interested in serving on the School Board for District 101 or District 801 are asked to please contact a member of the Citizen Committee for your district and to submit a letter of interest with resume or a County Citizen Volunteer Application, which is available in the Prince Edward County Administrator's Office or on the county website at www.co.prince-edward.va.us.

By order of the Board of Supervisors
W.W. Bartlett, County Administrator



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.