

Dickenson County School Board Special Called Meeting - Summary Minutes

July 13, 2020

I. ROLL CALL AND MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - 5:09 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Dr. Lurton Lyle.

Members in Attendance: Dr. Lurton Lyle, Chairman; Rick Mullins, Vice-Chairman; Jason Hicks; Damon Rasnick; Jamie Hackney; Tonya Baker, Clerk; Haydee Robinson, Superintendent; and Scott Mullins, Board Attorney

Approval of Agenda

Following a motion by Jamie Hackney and second, by Jason Hicks, the agenda was approved as presented.

Vote results

Aye:	5	Dr. Lurton Lyle, Rick Mullins, Jason Hicks, Damon Rasnick, Jamie Hackney
No:	0	
Abstain:	0	

II. CURTIS ELSWICK: PRESENTATION OF THE DRAFT OF THE INTERIM CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT:

Dickenson County public schools with assistance from Skanska, entered into negotiations with the selected design-build team of Quesenberry’sOWPR/The Lane Group for the design of the New Elementary School following School Board approval on June 9, 2020. Negotiation included the development of a Contract Cost Limit for the overall design and construction of the project, fees for design phase services only, and other terms and conditions were based upon selection of Ridgeview as the site for the school. The selection of Ridgeview as the site by the school board on July 2, 2020, with based upon the fact that it is the only site that fits within the amount of funding being provided by the Corp of Engineers without placing the school system at significant risk of being over budget considering unknowns such as potential environmental remediation and unforeseen site conditions that have a high probability of being encountered at other sites which were considered.

An interim agreement has been successfully negotiated with mutually agreeable terms whereby authorizing the design-build team to commence design work in progress the project to the point of entering into a Comprehensive Agreement for construction work. The school board would be responsible for the cost of the design phase services only under the Interim Agreement. This Interim Agreement has been reviewed by attorneys representing Dickenson County Public Schools and the County’s Board of Supervisors and on July 9, 2020, the County’s Board of Supervisors unanimously voted to approve Dickenson County Public Schools entering into such agreement and moving forward with the design-build PPEA process. As the appropriate time passed since the public hearing, the School Board is now in a position to authorize the Division

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Superintendent to execute the Interim Agreement. The benefits of executing the interim agreement today are that the project may move forward without incurring costs associated with additional escalation and to deliver a new elementary school within the constraints of the current funding provided by the Corp of Engineers.

III. CLOSED SESSION, PURSUANT TO Section 2.2-3711, Paragraph A of the Code of Virginia, there will be a closed meeting for the purpose of :

1. Discussion and to consider and act upon a proposed interim agreement relating to design work associated with the new elementary school pursuant to a PPEA procurement with the Quesenberry/OWPR/Lane Group for the construction of new elementary school involving the investment of public funds pursuant to a PPEA procurement where competition and bargaining are involved, where the financial interest of the school system would be adversely affected if these discussions were made public initially pursuant to 2. 2-3711 (A) (6) of the Code of Virginia; and
2. To consult with legal counsel and receive briefings by staff members pertaining to actual litigation with the Board of Supervisors and IDA regarding the location of the proposed new elementary school pursuant to section 2. 2-3711 (A) (7) of the Code of Virginia.

Following a motion by Rick Mullins and second by Jason Hicks, the Board convened in closed session.

Vote results

Aye: 5 Dr. Lurton Lyle, Rick Mullins, Jason Hicks, Damon Rasnick, Jamie Hackney
No: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Cast: 0

Following a motion by Damon Rasnick and a second by Jason Hicks; the board returned to open session.

Vote results

Aye: 5 Dr. Lurton Lyle, Rick Mullins, Jason Hicks, Damon Rasnick, Jamie Hackney
No: 0
Abstain: 0
Not Cast: 0

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Pursuant to Section 2.2-3712(a) of the Code of Virginia, I move to certify and second by Jason Hicks; that during the closed meeting just concluded the Dickenson County School Board discussed only matters lawfully exempt from the open meeting requirements under Section 2.2-3711 of the Code and identified in the motion convening the closed meeting.

Certification of Closed Session

Aye:	5	Dr. Lurton Lyle, Rick Mullins, Jason Hicks, Damon Rasnick, Jamie Hackney
No:	0	
Abstain:	0	
Not Cast	0	

IV. BOARD ACTION

Following a motion by Rick Mullins and second, by Dr. Lurton Lyle, the motion to approve the Interim Agreement for design services with Quesenberry and authorize the Division Superintendent to execute the agreement passed with a 4-1 vote.

Vote results

Aye:	4	Dr. Lurton Lyle, Rick Mullins, Jason Hicks, Damon Rasnick
No:	1	Jamie Hackney
Abstain:	0	
Not Cast	0	

IV. ADJOURNMENT: 7:00

Following a motion by Damon Rasnick and second, by Rick Mullins, the meeting was adjourned. All votes aye.

Approved: August 26, 2020

Dr. Lurton Lyle

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