

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AGENDA

July 21st, 2021

4:30 P.M.

- I. Agenda Changes

- II. Adoption of Minutes
 1. March 17th 2021

- III. WPPS Return to Learning Plan

- IV. General Information
 1. Tax Bills
 2. Letter from New Kent Sheriff's Office

- V. Next Meeting Date: September 15th, 2021

- VI. Adjournment

**TOWN COUNCIL
EDUCATION COMMITTEE
MEETING
MINUTES
July 21st, 2021**

Mr. Ragsdale called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm. There was not a quorum present to hold a meeting. The following are items of discussion.

Members Present: Mayor Hudson, John Ragsdale, John Edwards, Town Manager; Karen Barrow, Town Clerk; Larry Frazier, Acting School Superintendent, Dr. Daniels, and Nate Leach.

I. Agenda Changes

There were no changes made to the agenda.

II. Adoption of Minutes

Mr. Edwards stated that there is not a quorum present to adopt the minutes, they will be placed on the agenda for adoption at the next meeting.

III. WPPS Return to Learning Plan

Mr. Frazier presented a new Division Leadership Chart reflecting changes as the schools move into a new year. Mr. Frazier also stated the Dr. Daniels will be the new Principle of the Middle and High School, Britney Ball will be the new Assistant Principle and Ms. Britt will be the new Principle of the Elementary School.

Dr. Daniels reviewed the summer school activities and filling the gaps in skills between some students with the COVID 19 challenges this past year. We offered elected programs to get the students back into class and re-engage with each other. There were also some Bridging Communities summer programs this year that worked out well.

Nate Leach stated that the schools offered Virtual Learning this year through Learn Virginia. Learn Virginia is a program that does not use teachers from the West Point school system, it uses teachers across Virginia. There was zero response from parents in West Point to take part in virtual learning. All parents have elected to send their children back into the classroom. Mr. Leach also stated that it is impossible for a teacher to teach in the classroom and via virtual at the same time.

Mr. Frazier advised that both teachers, students and parents became burned out this past year with COVID issues. We are excited about returning to the classroom and have some programs and new teachers to start a new year.

Mr. Leach advised that teachers return to school on August 10th, on August 18th is Open House for K – 12 and students return to school on August 23rd for the 2022 school year.

Dr. Daniels advised that on August 18th at open house we are planning a community event with food trucks and a community pep-rally. We are in the final stages of planning an event in the stadium area, but the event will be open to all in the community.

IV. General Information

1. Tax Bills

Mr. Edwards advised that the tax bills have gone out, taxes are due August 5th, 2021.

2. Letter from New Kent Sheriff's Office

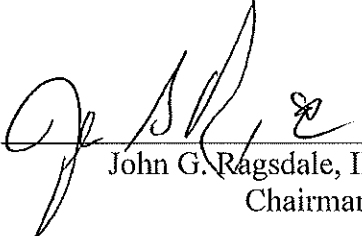
Mr. Edwards advised that the Town has received a letter from New Kent Sheriff's Office thanking the Town for their assistance in the search for a missing person in the Pamunkey River.

V. Next Meeting Date: September 15th 2021 @ 4:30 pm


Mr. Frazier offered the use of the new School Board Office for the meeting in September.

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Ragsdale adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m.


John G. Ragsdale, II
Chairman

ATTEST:


Karen M. Barrow
Town Clerk