

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 4, SECTION 2-4.1, ENTITLED “ADVANCE NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS REQUIRED; DIRECT NOTIFICATION; SPECIAL, EMERGENCY OR CONTINUED MEETINGS” OF THE POLICIES OF THE SUFFOLK CITY SCHOOL BOARD – FIRST READING AND ADOPTION

BE IT ORDAINED, by the School Board of the City of Suffolk, Virginia that Chapter 2, Article 4, Section 2-4.1, entitled “Advance Notice of School Board Meetings Required; Direct Notification; Special, Emergency or Continued Meetings” of the Policies of the Suffolk City School Board, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 2-4.1. Advance Notice of School Board Meetings Required; Direct Notification; Special, Emergency or Continued Meetings. — A. The School Board and any committees thereof shall give notice of the date, time, and location of its meetings by posting such notice on its website, if any, placing a notice in a prominent public location at which notices are regularly posted and in the office of the clerk of the School Board at least three working days prior to the meeting. In addition, the School Board and any committees thereof shall publish notice of its their meetings by electronic means whenever feasible. At least one copy of the proposed agenda and all agenda packets and other nonexempt materials furnished to members of the School Board and any committees thereof ~~shall be~~ is made available for public inspection at the same time the documents are furnished to members of the School Board or committee.

The notice provisions described above do not apply to closed meetings of the Board held solely for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the position of superintendent. Prior to any such closed meeting the School Board ~~shall~~ announces in an open meeting that such closed meeting ~~shall~~ will be held at a disclosed or undisclosed location within fifteen days thereafter.

B. Notice of all School Board meetings ~~shall be~~ is furnished directly to any person who requests such information. Requests to be notified of all meetings should be made at least once a year in writing and include requester’s name, address, zip code, daytime telephone number, electronic mail address, if available, and organization, if any. Unless the person making the request objects, the school division may provide electronic notice of all meetings in response to such requests.

C. Notice, reasonable under the circumstances, of special, emergency or continued meetings ~~shall be~~ is given contemporaneously with notice provided to members of the School Board. (Adopted: June 8, 1995; Revised: July 10, 2003; Ordinance Number 02/03-20, Effective: July 1, 2004; Revised October 12, 2017; Ordinance Number 17/18-5; Effective Date: October 12, 2017)

Legal Authority – Virginia Code §§22.1-78, 2.2-3707, 2.2-3712 (1950), as amended.

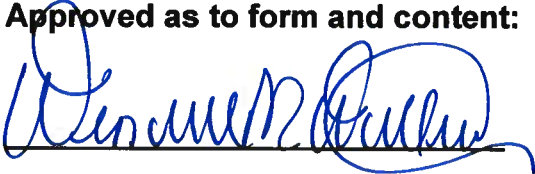
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, subsections, sections and chapters of the School Board's Policy Manual not amended or repealed shall remain in full force and effect.

FIRST READING AND ADOPTION: _____

EFFECTIVE DATE: _____

TESTE: _____

Approved as to form and content:



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