Lynchburg City School Board Study Session November 2, 2010

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mary Ann H. Barker, Chairman Thomas H. Webb, Vice Chairman Albert L. Billingsly Keith R. Anderson Regina T. Dolan-Sewell Troy L. McHenry J. Marie Waller Charles B. White

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Treney L. Tweedy

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Paul McKendrick, Superintendent William A. Coleman, Jr., Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Edward R. Witt, Jr., Assistant Superintendent of Operations and Administration Leigh F. Farmer, Public Information Officer Wendie L. Sullivan, Recording Secretary/Clerk

MEDIA PRESENT:

Jesse Pounds, The News & Advance

The study session began at 4:41 p.m. Dr. McKendrick began by providing background information on the comprehensive plan and the six original focus areas of the plan. Three of the focus areas were called commitments, and evaluations were developed for those. The other three focus areas were important to the community but did not receive active goals and commitments.

The school board discussed aligning its priorities with the comprehensive plan giving a two-year time frame. Goals would be established and a report card would be developed so that the school board and school administration could evaluate the goals and determine if they had been met. Following discussion, the school board proposed the following priorities:

- 1. Improve Achievement for All Students while Closing Achievement Gaps for Identified Student Groups
- 2. Improve Graduation Rates to Exceed State Standards
- 3. Offer Viable Alternative Education Instruction to Augment Educational Goals
- 4. Complete Comprehensive Analysis of Facilities Usage and Long-term Facilities Needs
- 5. Conduct Division-wide Departmental Efficiency Review with Near-term Goals
- 6. Improve Staff Recruitment, Retention, Development, and Diversity
- 7. Continue to Enhance Marketing and Communication
- 8. Bring Resolution to City/Schools Consolidation Analysis

The meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

Mary Ann H. Barker, Chairman

Wendie L. Sullivan, Clerk