

Richmond School Board votes on 10 key issues

A distinct majority on the Richmond School Board has pushed through key initiatives in the past two years, with five of the nine members being in the majority on at least nine of the 10 votes. (“Did not vote” means the member was not present for the vote)

	Glen Sturtevant Dist. 1	Kimberly Gray Dist. 2	Jeff Bourne Dist. 3	Kristen Larson Dist. 4	Mamie Taylor Dist. 5	Shonda Harris-Muhammed Dist. 6	Donald Coleman Dist. 7	Derik Jones Dist. 8	Tichi Pinkney Eppes Dist. 9	Result of vote
June 3, 2013: Close Clark Springs Elementary and Norrell pre-K center	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Passes 5-4
June 3, 2013: Implement “Plan C” for rezoning elementary schools in Southside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Abstained	Passes 6-2-1
June 26, 2013: Hire Johnathan Lewis as interim superintendent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Abstained	Yes	Did not vote	Did not vote	Passes 5-1-1
Nov. 4, 2013: Pursue a relationship with Teach for America	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Did not vote	Did not vote	Passes 5-2
Dec. 22 2013: Hire Dana T. Bedden as superintendent	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Did not vote	Yes	Passes 8-0
March 7, 2014: Create the Facilities Task Force	Yes	Yes	Did not vote	Yes	Did not vote	Yes	Yes	Did not vote	Yes	Passes 6-0
Oct. 6, 2014: Overturn Bedden’s decision to replace principal at G.H. Reid Elementary School	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Fails 3-6
Oct. 16, 2014: Censure board member Tichi Pinkey Eppes over leaking confidential student data	Yes	Yes	Yes	Did not vote	Did not vote	Yes	Yes	Did not vote	Did not vote	Passes 5-0
Nov. 3, 2014: Define roles of school board members and administration on constituent policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Did not vote	No	Passes 6-2
Dec. 15, 2014: Change academic program at Binford Middle School to address poor academic results	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Passes 6-3