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October 27, 2022- Heathsville, VA The Northumberland County Public Schools' School Board met in-person and virtually for a special called meeting. The meeting was open to the public through Zoom audio conference calling and in person.

## **Closed Meeting Action Items**

- Approval of the following substitute school nurses: Mary Bowman, Rosa Sisk-Monroe and Virginia Dare Jones
- Approval of Tara Booth as Director of Finance
- Approval of a Federal Pandemic Relief Bonus, as outlined in the VDOE Superintendent's Memo 237-22: \$1,000 federally funded pandemic relief payment for full time employees and bus drivers and a \$500 payment for part-time contracted employees. This applies to active employees who are on the December payroll.

## Biography of Mrs. Tara Booth, Director of Finance

On Thursday, October 27, 2022, the Northumberland County Public Schools' School Board approved Mrs. Tara Booth as the Director of Finance. Booth began her educational journey as an accounting major and then followed her passion of working with children. She graduated from George Mason University with a Bachelor's degree in Middle Education, Grades 4-8. Booth completed her Master's Degree in Interdisciplinary Studies: Math and Science Leadership at Virginia Commonwealth University in 2013 and earned an Educational Specialist (Ed.S.) degree in Educational Leadership & Administration at The George Washington University in 2016. Booth holds a Division Superintendent license. During her 31 years in education, she has served as a Principal, Instructional Coordinator, School Improvement Coach, and classroom teacher.



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In addition to her experience within public schools, Booth has served on the Lancaster County Planning Commission for 21 years. As the District 3 representative, she has experience with the Comprehensive Plan, County Zoning Ordinances, and Capital Improvement Budgets.

Booth is married, with two children, and resides in Lancaster County.