

**Giles County Public Schools
School Board Meeting
CLOSEOUT MEETING
NEWS RELEASE
June 30, 2006**

Dr. Terry E. Arbogast, II

Division Superintendent

***Pledge of Allegiance**

The School Board Chairman led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

***Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

***School Board Approves Consent Items**

- Meeting Minutes – May 18, 2006
- Special Meeting Minutes – June 1, 2006
- Bills in the amount of \$ 1,971,870.08
- Payroll, May 31st, June 15th & 30th, July 31st, and August 31st, 2006
- Revenue for May 2006
- Expenditure for May 2006
- Appropriation Request for July & August 2006
- Confirmation of Surplus Items
- Confirmation of Resolution Supporting Sue Hyatt as 2006 Teacher of the Year
- Approval of Federal Program Title Applications

***The School Board Approves/Confirms Personnel/Contractual Items**

The School Board confirmed the following **Resignations**: **Beth Umberger** – NHS Teacher (Effective end of the 2005-2006 school year), **Allen “Rocky” Thorne** – NHS Custodian (Effective June 1, 2006), **Christina Strayer** – MMS Guidance Counselor (Effective end of the 2005-2006 school year), **Allison L. Wright** - MMS Teacher (Effective end of the 2005-2006 school year).

The School Board confirmed the following **Employment**: **Katrina Orey** – NEMS Bookkeeper (Effective July 3, 2006), **Curtis Williams** – EEMS Bus Driver (Effective for the 2006-2007 school year), **Sonny Frazier** – Maintenance/Garage Worker (Effective July 3, 2006), **Bobby Fisher** - Maintenance/Garage Worker (Effective July 3, 2006), **Danny C. Pyles** – GHS Custodian (Effective May 30, 2006), **Amanda R. Deane** – MMS Elementary/Middle Teacher (Effective for the 2006-2007 school year), **Timothy “Todd” Meredith** – NHS History Teacher (Effective for the 2006-2007 school year), **Heather M. Ursano** – NEMS Special Education Teacher (Effective for the 2006-2007 school year), **Barbara Dunn** – GHS part-time Library Clerk (Effective for the 2006-2007 school year).

The School Board confirmed the following **Athletic Coaching Contracts and Volunteer Agreements**:

GILES HIGH SCHOOL

Erin Burton – Head Varsity Volleyball
Tim Carbaugh – Head JV Boys Basketball
Jack Ellison – Asst. Varsity Football
Laura Epperley – Varsity & JV Cheerleading
Jackie Evans – 8th Grade Boys Track
Bruce Frazier – Head Boys Varsity Baseball
Mark Hubbard – Girls Cross Country
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Mark Hubbard – 8th Grade Girls Track
Jerry Huffman – Head JV Football
Byron Hurley – Asst. 8th Grade Football
Byron Hurley – Head Boys Tennis
Renee Jessee – Head 8th Grade Volleyball
W.R. Johnston – Head Golf
Rusty Kelley – Asst. Varsity Football
Rusty Kelley – Head Girls Varsity Track
Whitney Matlock – Head JV Volleyball
Kara Meadows – 8th & JV Asst. Cheerleading

Shana Midkiff – **VOLUNTEER** Asst. Varsity Volleyball
Jason Mills – Head Boys JV Baseball
Amy Pennington – 8th & JV Asst. Cheerleading
Steve Ragsdale – Head Varsity Football
Mitch Reed – Head Boys Varsity Basketball
Randy Roe – Head Boys Soccer
Neil Schmidt – Head Girls Soccer
Bryan Strader – Asst. Varsity Football
Dusty Stump – Head 8th Grade Football
Anne Wheeler – **VOLUNTEER** Girls Track Asst.
Brad Whitehead – **VOLUNTEER** Boys 8th Grade Basketball
Eric Widdoes – **VOLUNTEER** Asst. Boys 8th Grade Football
Mark Wilburn – Head Girls JV Softball
Jeff Williams – Asst. Varsity Football
Jeff Williams – Head Boys Varsity Track

NARROWS HIGH SCHOOL

Jon Bowman – Varsity Football Asst.
Todd Guynn – JV Football
Todd Guynn – JV Girls Basketball
Brandon Hollie – JV Baseball
Brandon Hollie – Varsity Boys Basketball Asst.
Dennis Kidd – Varsity Soccer
Kelly Lowe – Varsity Football Head
Gary Lowery – Varsity Football Asst.
Debbie Lusk – Fall Cheerleading
Debbie Lusk – Winter Cheerleading
Todd Lusk – Golf
Todd Lusk – Varsity Boys Basketball
Todd Lusk – Boys Tennis
McCreery Mann – Varsity Football Asst.
Alleta Morrison – Soccer
Marilyn Mustard – Girls Tennis
Dan Taylor – JV Football
Dan Taylor – 8th Grade Boys Basketball
Clyde Turner – JV Football
Clyde Turner – Varsity Baseball

The School Board confirmed the proposal from Scholastic for services specified in RFP #6-2006 (athletic insurance).

The School Board confirmed the proposal from JanPak for services specified in RFP #10-2006 (janitorial and paper products).

***The School Board Hears Reports from the Superintendent**

The School Board approved policy changes as recommended by VSBA Policy Services and Administration.

David Graham, the Energy Education Manager, attended the meeting to update the School Board on the energy program that has been in place for three years. It is part of a four year plan to conserve energy through school utilities. He shared graphs and data that reflected savings and expenditures to date.

The School Board approved Mr. Buckland and Mr. Whitehead as the VSBA delegate and alternate respectively to the 2006 Annual Convention in Williamsburg.

The School Board approved textbook adoptions as recommended. Select committees of teachers and parents have been reviewing textbooks to develop a recommendation for County adoption of **Math for grades 6-12**. The committee has spent many hours in textbook review and has finalized their recommendation. This recommendation was available for public review at the Giles County Board of Education Office June 21-27, 2006.

***School Board and School Staff Present Comments and Mission Statement Accomplishments**

A board member commended Giles High School, the Maintenance Department, and the Tech Center students on the updated concession stand at Giles High School.

A board member commended the graduations from Narrows and Giles High School.

A board member stated that they were concerned about the amount of scholarship money that the students from Giles County were not receiving.

A board member stated that the students from the Governor's School have received scholarship money in the amount of \$1.3 million.

A board member stated that the average SAT scores for Governor's School was 1215.

A board member stated that one GHS senior opted not to attend the Governor's School this year, but was hopeful that we would find a replacement for that student.

A board member questioned what the savings would be from the decrease in the cost of dual enrollment from New River Community College.

A board member commended the staff of Giles High School for their cooperation with the Relay for Life that was held June 23rd & 24th.

The Superintendent stated that the Giles County Technology Center was recognized by the Virginia Department of Education, the Virginia Advisory Committee for Career and Technical Education, and the Virginia Community College Systems for evaluating and improving course offerings and hiring a career counselor.

The Superintendent stated that the School Resource Officer Grants were approved for the three elementary schools.

The Superintendent updated the School Board on Narrows Elementary/Middle School being selected to receive the 2006 Title I Distinguished School Award. There were 107 Title I Schools in Virginia who earned this award and had to meet the following requirements: mean score at the 60th percentile for both English and mathematics, make Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) for two years without safe harbor for all students and in the subgroups; earn full accreditation in the second year of making AYP; and exceed the Annual Measurable Objectives (AMO) for English and mathematics in the current and previous year.

The Superintendent informed the board that the SOL test scores would not be received until the middle of July for grades 3 – 8.

The Superintendent commended all individuals who helped with closing out the 2005-2006 school year!

***In Other Action**

The School Board approved the revision of Policy IKEB-R.

The School Board approved two additional check runs for June 28 and 29, 2006.

The School Board approved the resignation of Amaris Meredith, child specific teacher assistant, at NEMS, effective the end of the 2005-2006 school year.

***Next School Board Meeting**

The next regular School Board meeting will be held **Friday morning, August 25, 2006 at 7:30 AM** prior to the new teachers coming in for orientation, where School Board members will have the opportunity to meet new staff members.

****The School Board expressed their sincere appreciation to Sandra Spangler and Barbara Perkins for their time and efforts in closing out the 2005-06 school year.**