

**Giles County Public Schools
School Board Meeting
CLOSEOUT MEETING
NEWS RELEASE
June 29, 2007**

Dr. Terry E. Arbogast, II

Division Superintendent

***Pledge of Allegiance**

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

***Public Comments**

Jay Williams attended the meeting to discuss his concerns with the bus driver salary scale. He stated that he would like to see the step raises put back into the bus driver salary scale. In addition, he questioned why the step raises were taken away in the mid 90's. Mr. Buckland told Mr. Williams that Dr. McCracken was in the office during that time and he wasn't sure why the step raises were taken away, but he thinks that the step raises got out of place because there were a couple years when every employee received an across the board raise of \$1,000. He also told Mr. Williams that only the bus drivers wanted the step raises. Mr. Buckland told Mr. Williams that the School Board would do everything they could to get the step raises back. Mr. Williams stated that he was not concerned at all about the benefits or salary, but wanted the longevity steps. He also stated that he just wanted to be treated fairly. Mr. Williams also questioned why he received a pay check for \$4.76 for attending a bus driver meeting. Mr. Buckland stated that due to FLSA regulations, he would have to be paid for anything over his contracted hours.

***School Board Approves Consent Items**

- Meeting Minutes – May 17, 2007
- Bills in the amount of \$ 2,814,947.12
- Payroll, May 31st, June 15th & 29th, July 31st, and August 31st, 2007
- Revenue for May 2007
- Expenditure for May 2007
- Appropriation Request for July 2007
- Confirmation of Surplus Items
- Confirmation of Resolution Supporting Pam Malabad as 2007 Teacher of the Year
- Approval of Federal Program Title Applications
- Administrative Organization

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

The School Board confirmed the following **Resignations:** **James D. (David) Graham** – Director of Operations (effective June 30, 2007), **John Ross** – Garage/Maintenance (effective June 30, 2007), **Erika Henry** – MMS Title I Teacher (effective end of 2006-2007 school year), **Elizabeth Alitizer** – NHS Special Ed. Teacher (effective end of 2006-2007 school year), **Ean Arnold** – EEMS Custodian (effective June 1, 2007), **Heather Rowland** – NEMS Kindergarten Teacher (effective end of 2006-2007 school year)

The School Board confirmed the following **Employment:** **Alicia L. Johnson** – GHS English Teacher (effective beginning of the 07-08 school year), **Lisa Frazier** – MMS Elementary Teacher (effective beginning of the 07-08 school year), **Kenneth Ratcliff** – EEMS Custodian (effective June 6, 2007)

The School Board confirmed the following **Athletic Coaching Contracts and Volunteer Agreements for the 2007-2008 school year:**

GILES HIGH SCHOOL

FALL SPORTS

Epperley, Laura
Hurley, Byron
Bales, Chris
Huffman, Jerry
Ellison, Jack

Cheerleading, Varsity
Football, 8th Assistant
Football, JV Assistant
Football, JV Head
Football, Varsity Assistant

Kelley, Rusty	Football, Varsity Assistant
Strader, Bryan	Football, Varsity Assistant
Williams, Jeff	Football, Varsity Assistant
Jessee, Renee	Volleyball, 8th
Havens, Mandy	Volleyball, JV Asst/Volunteer
Matlock, Whitney	Volleyball, JV
Burton, Erin	Volleyball, Varsity
Midkiff, Shana	Volleyball, Varsity Volunteer
Johnston, WR	Golf, Varsity
Hubbard, Mark	Cross Country Girls
Hubbard, Mark	Cross Country Boys

WINTER SPORTS

Epperley, Laura	Cheerleading, Varsity
Whitehead, Brad	Basketball, 8th Boys Volunteer
Whitehead, Brad	Basketball, 8th Girls Volunteer
Carbaugh, Timmy	Basketball, JV Boys
Mance, Bill	Basketball, JV Girls
Reed, Mitch	Basketball, Varsity Boys
Reed, Mitch	Basketball, Varsity Girls

SPRING SPORTS

Stump, Dusty	Softball, JV
Buchanon, Bobby	Softball, Varsity
Vaughn, Teddy	Baseball, JV
Tilley, Randy	Baseball, JV Asst/Volunteer
Frazier, Bruce	Baseball, Varsity
Hubbard, Mark	Track, 8th Girls
Evans, Jackie	Track, 8th Boys
Kelley, Rusty	Track, Varsity Girls
Williams, Jeff	Track, Varsity Boys
Hurley, Byron	Tennis, Boys
Gervich, Curt	Tennis, Girls
Keaton, Scott	Soccer, JV Boys
Roe, Randy	Soccer, Varsity Boys
Schmidt, Neil	Soccer, Varsity Girls

The School Board confirmed the following **Additional Volunteer Agreements for the 2007-2008 school year**: **Angela Rice** – CPR Training (EEMS-Current Employee), **Lisa Johnston** – CPR Training (EEMS-Current Employee), **Heather Frazier** – CPR Training (EEMS – Current Employee), **Dorothy Williams** – Mayday Assistant (EEMS – Current Employee), **Sharon Wilson** – Mayday Assistant (EEMS-Current Employee), **Juanita Sweeney** – Mayday Assistant (EEMS-Current Employee), **Erica Gautier** – Mayday Assistant (EEMS-Current Employee), **Billie Lucas** – NHS Assistant Softball

The School Board confirmed the proposal from Blue Flash for services specified in RFP #7-2007 (gas/diesel for tanks at maintenance building).

The School Board confirmed the proposal from Carilion Giles Memorial for services specified in RFP #4-2007 (PT/OT).

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

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

The School Board approved Mr. Buckland and Mr. Whitehead as the VSBA delegate and alternate respectively to the 2007 Annual Convention in Williamsburg.

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

A board member commended Kiva Widrig for placing 3rd in Nationals for HOSA.

A board member stated that they were very impressed with the number of perfect scores on the SOL's.

A board member commended all of the teachers and teacher assistants for all of their time and efforts in planning the pep rallies for the SOL's and preparing the students for the tests.

A board member stated that they had seen a girl that graduated from the Governor's School and she stated that she was entering college as a sophomore.

A board member stated that there were 94 students who finished governor's school and out of that total, there were 32% who were attending Virginia Tech.

The Superintendent stated that the unofficial results for the SOL's look very promising.

The Superintendent shared information with Board Members regarding the Special Education Performance Report that our Director of Special Education recently received.

***In Other Action**

The School Board rescinded the Superintendent's current contract to become null and void and initiated a new contract for Dr. Arbogast effective July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2011.

The School Board approved three additional check runs for June 27th, 28th and 29th, 2007.

The School Board approved the **Resignation** of Jackie Koch - 3rd Grade Teacher (Effective end of the 2006-2007 school year).

The School Board approved the **Employment** of Cecilia Peyton – Title I Teacher – MMS (Effective beginning of 07-08 school year).

The School Board approved the August 2007 Monthly Appropriation Request in the amount of \$2,256,546.74.

The School Board approved the June 2007 Summary of Expenditures in the amount of \$6,423,289.52.

***Next School Board Meeting**

The next regular School Board meeting will be held ***Friday morning, August 24, 2007 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.