

**Giles County Public Schools**  
**School Board Meeting**  
**CLOSEOUT MEETING**  
**NEWS RELEASE**  
**June 26, 2008**

*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 15, 2008
- Special Meeting – May 15, 2008
- Bills in the amount of \$3,008,192.07
- Payroll, May 30<sup>th</sup>, June 13<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, July 31<sup>st</sup>, and August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008
- Revenue for May 2008
- Expenditure for May 2008
- Appropriation Request for July 2008
- Additional 2007-2008 Field Trips
- Confirmation of Resolution Supporting Anna Swenty as 2008 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**: Trish Tolley – MMS Speech Language Pathologist (effective June 12, 2008), Jessica Morris – MMS Pre-School Teacher (effective end of 07-08 school year)

The School Board confirmed the following **Retirement**: Lawanda Robertson – MMS Elementary Teacher (effective end of 07-08 school year), Paul Johnson – NHS Head Custodian (effective June 30, 2008)

The School Board confirmed the following **Employment**: Jessica Lowry – MMS Elementary Teacher (effective 08-09 school year), David Martin – GHS Custodian (effective June 16, 2008), Nikki Pynn – General/ Itinerate Gifted Art Teacher (MMS-Home School-effective 08-09 school year), Jessica Gwaltney – NHS Agriculture Teacher (effective for the 08-09 school year), Kristen Corboy – EEMS Special Education Teacher (effective for the 08-09 school year)

The School Board confirmed the following **Athletic Coaching Contracts (08-09 school year)**:

Sherry Gautier – NHS Cheerleading, Brad Boyd – NHS Varsity Softball, Laura Epperley – GHS Stunt Coordinator, Gary Lowery – NHS Varsity Assistant Football & Boys/Girls Track, Mike Biggs – NHS Golf, Todd Guynn – NHS JV Football & JV Girls Basketball, Clyde Turner – NHS JV Football Assistant, Wayne Gautier – NHS Varsity Girls Basketball, Jody Bragg – NHS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball, Jon Bowman – NHS Varsity Football Assistant, Kelly Lowe – NHS Varsity Head Football, McCreery Mann – NHS Varsity Football Assistant & Varsity Boys Basketball Assistant, Todd Meredith – NHS Girls Tennis, Alleta Morrison – NHS Soccer Assistant, Anna Swenty – NHS Varsity Cross Country, Debbie Lusk – NHS Varsity Cheerleading, Dennis Kidd – NHS Varsity Soccer, Todd Lusk – NHS Varsity Boys Basketball & Varsity Boys Tennis, Beth Santolla – GHS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball, Curt Gervich – GHS Girls Tennis, Mark Wilburn – GHS Junior Varsity Softball, Renee Jessee – GHS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball, Teddy Vaughn – GHS Head JV Baseball

The School Board confirmed the following **Volunteer Athletic Coaching Agreements (08-09 school year)**: Tina Blaker – NHS Strength and Conditioning for Females, Brad Whitehead – GHS Head 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach, David Bowers – NHS Girls Softball Assistant, Ben Woodyard – NHS Assistant Football & Baseball, Steve Wilson – GHS Assistant JV Football Coach, Jodie Conley – GHS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Cheerleading Coach, Lee Blaker – NHS Strength and Conditioning, Josh Bowman – NHS Manager, Don Hall – NHS Strength & Conditioning, Bryan Long – NHS Manager, Mike Davidson – GHS

Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach, Randy Tilley – GHS Assistant JV Baseball Coach, Chris Bales – GHS Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach

The School Board confirmed the following **Volunteer Agreements:** Michael Blackwell – MMS School Volunteer

The School Board confirmed the following **Supplemental Contracts (08-09 school year):** Larry Greer – NHS MACC Social Studies, Sherry Miller – NHS MACC All Around & Head Coach, Gary Hinson – NHS MACC Science, Alletha Morrison – NHS MACC Math, Betsy Wood – NHS MACC English

The School Board confirmed the proposal from State Farm for services specified in IFB #3-2008 (fleet insurance).

The School Board confirmed the proposal from Pet Dairy for services specified in IFB #5-2008 (dairy items).

The School Board confirmed the proposal from Sysco for services specified in IFB #7-2008 (cafeteria items).

**\*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 2008 Annual Convention in Williamsburg.

The School Board approved Mr. Whitehead to serve a two year term (2008-2009 & 2009-2010) as a representative on the Governor's School Board of Directors.

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

The Board Chairman commented that he had seen where Montgomery County wanted to look at the drug policy that was in place for their county. He commended our administrators for the way they handled our drug policy here in the county.

A board member congratulated Rusty Kelley for being named Girls Track Coach of the Year from the Roanoke Times.

A board member congratulated teachers and students for their SOL achievements.

A board member commended Narrows Elementary/Middle School for their Title I program.

A board member stated that it had been a good school year!

A board member stated that there was now a new director on board at the Governor's School. Her name is Rebecca Phillips and she was a past graduate of the Governor's School.

A board member distributed a handout regarding winners for the Virginia Junior Academy of Science. There were several students from the Governor's School who received awards for their papers that they submitted.

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

The Superintendent informed School Board members that he had talked with Roger Houck about bulk fuel. He stated that we planned to get larger tanks to put at the garage. The smaller tank at the garage will be moved to the PSA lot in Pembroke to fuel diesel buses. The bulk fuel will be a combined effort between the County, PSA, and the School Board.

The Superintendent stated that Summer Exploration ended last Thursday. There were a lot of students in attendance and overall, they had a great time. He thanked the teachers and staff who were involved with Summer Exploration.

The Superintendent informed School Board members about the article that was in the Virginian Leader regarding Donna Ralph and Anna Swenty. These two teachers participated in the Covanta Teacher Challenge in Alexandria a couple weeks ago. Giles County was the only division in the state to have two finalists. There were only sixteen finalists in Virginia to compete.

**\*In Other Action**

The School Board approved two additional check runs for June 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

The School Board approved the June 2008 Summary of Expenditures in the amount of \$6,637,480.63.

The School Board approved the June 2008 Revenue Report in the amount of \$9,091,150.63.

**\*Next School Board Meeting**

The next regular School Board meeting will be held ***Friday morning, August 22, 2008 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.