

August 17, 2012

The regular meeting of the Giles County School Board was held on August 17, 2012 at 7:30 a.m. in the School Administration Office Building Conference Room. Persons present were:

J. B. Buckland, Chairman
J. M. Gollehon, Jr.
Drema K. McMahan
R.B. Whitehead
J. L. Webb

Dr. Terry E. Arbogast II, Superintendent
D. Scott Meade, Assistant Superintendent
Amanda J. Tickle, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board, on motion of Mr. Gollehon, with second by Mr. Whitehead and unanimous voting, approved the Superintendent's August 17, 2012 School Board Meeting Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Becky Thomas, a parent of the Giles County Autism Support Group, attended the school board meeting to present iPad's to the elementary schools and FOCUS program. These iPad's were purchased using proceeds from this year's Autism FOCUS walk. The walk this year was very successful and they hope to do it again next year. Other parents of this group who attended were Keri Kubnick and Catherine Petch. An iPad was presented to each of the elementary schools and 4 iPad's were presented to the FOCUS program. School Board members and the Superintendent thanked Mrs. Thomas for this generous donation.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

The Board, on motion of Mrs. McMahan, with second by Dr. Webb and unanimous voting, accepted the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following consent items:

A. Meeting Minutes

1. Regular – June 28, 2012
2. Special – June 27, 2012

B. Financial Data

1. Payrolls to include July 13th and 31st, 2012 and August 15th, 2012
2. Payment of Bills to include June 28th, July 6th, 13th, 20th and 31st
3. July 2012 Revenue & Expenditure Reports
4. Confirmation of Surplus Items
5. **Appropriation Request for July 2012**

TO: Christopher McKlarney
Interim Administrator for Giles County

RE: July 2012 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the month of July 2012. This is for the first month of the fiscal year 2012-13. I would appreciate the Board's consideration of this request. The request for the operating budget is consistent with the approved operating budget submitted by the School Board.

Original Monthly Appropriation Request:	\$2,106,708.92
Total:	\$2,106,708.92

This request is one-twelfth of the operating budget and includes the anticipated monthly expenditures in the flow-thru account. Our year to date appropriation and expenditures are contained in the monthly summary.

Appropriation Request for August 2012

TO: Christopher McKlarney
Interim Administrator for Giles County

RE: August 2012 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the month of August 2012. This is for the second month of the fiscal year 2012-13. I would appreciate the Board's consideration of this request. The request for the operating budget is consistent with the approved operating budget submitted by the School Board.

Original Monthly Appropriation Request:	\$2,106,708.92
Total:	\$2,106,708.92

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Appropriation Request for September 2012

TO: Christopher McKlarney
Interim Administrator for Giles County

RE: September 2012 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the month of September 2012. This is for the third month of the fiscal year 2012-13. I would appreciate the Board's consideration of this request. The request for the operating budget is consistent with the approved operating budget submitted by the School Board.

Original Monthly Appropriation Request:	\$2,106,708.92
Total:	\$2,106,708.92

This request is one-twelfth of the operating budget and includes the anticipated monthly expenditures in the flow-thru account. Our year to date appropriation and expenditures are contained in the monthly summary.

6. Confirmation of Educational Technology Resolution

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. The Superintendent recommended action and Board approval of the following personnel/contractual items:

1. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Whitehead, with second by Mr. Gollehon and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Resignations**: Ashley Mann – NHS Special Education Teacher (effective July 2nd, 2012), Brenda Metro – EEMS Librarian (effective July 2nd, 2012), Emily Ricketts – EEMS Guidance Counselor (effective July 25th, 2012)
2. The School Board, on motion of Dr. Webb, with second by Mrs. McMahon and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Employment**: Alexis Mansidor – NHS/GHS Health/PE Teacher, Karyn Spade – NHS Band Teacher, Kristen Adams – MMS Teacher, Andrew Graham – MMS Teacher, Kimberly Johnson – MMS Teacher, Kayla McClung – MMS Teacher, Pam MacDonald – MMS Teacher, Jessica Sexton – MMS Speech Language Pathology Assistant, Jill Hopkins – NHS Principal, Sarah Harman – GHS English Teacher, Meghan Jones – GHS Agriculture Ed. Teacher, Heidi Sizemore – GTC School Nurse/Clinical Lab Instructor, Transfer of Kristen Corboy from Special Education Teacher at EEMS to Librarian at EEMS, Michele Fields – MMS Special Education Teacher Assistant,

Venessa Burnette – EEMS Elementary Teacher, Transfer of Tori Bowman from Special Education Teacher at NEMS to NHS, Jennifer Shrewsbury – NEMS Teacher, Ben Woodyard – NEMS Special Education Teacher, Karen Wood – EEMS Special Education Teacher

3. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. McMahon, with second by Mr. Whitehead and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Athletic Coaching Contracts**: Sherry Gautier – NHS Fall & Winter JV Cheerleading, Wayne Gautier – NHS Varsity Girls Basketball, Sam Wright – GHS Assistant JV Football, Ralph Harless, GHS Head JV Softball, Bobby Buchanan – GHS Head Varsity Softball, Seth Davis, GHS Head Varsity Boys Basketball, Robert Shelor – GHS 8th Grade Boys Basketball, Byron Hurley – GHS Varsity Boys Tennis, Byron Hurley – GHS Assistant 8th Grade Football, Bryan Strader – GHS Assistant Varsity Football, Anthony Ratcliffe – GHS Assistant Track, Anthony Ratcliffe – GHS Assistant Varsity Football, W.R. Johnston – GHS Head Varsity Golf, Jeff Williams – GHS Head Varsity Football, Colin Munsey – GHS Cross Country/Track **Volunteer**

- B. The Superintendent introduced 19 new teachers for the 2012-2013 school year, and the School Board joined them in a continental breakfast provided by The Chamber of Commerce. New teachers are:

School	Position	New Employee
GHS	Agriculture	Megan Jones
GHS	English	Sarah Harman
GHS	Music	Tim Woolwine
NHS	Physical Education	Alexsis Mansisidor
NHS	Guidance Counselor	Emily Dwoyer
NHS	Band	Karen Spade
GTC	Nursing	Heidi Seizmore
EEMS	3 rd Grade	Vanessa Burnette
EEMS	4 th Grade	Lindsey Lawrence
EEMS	Special Education	Karen Wood
EEMS	Guidance Counselor	Katie Conaway
MMS	7 th Grade	Kayla McClung
MMS	5 th Grade	Andrew Graham
MMS	5 th Grade	Pam MacDonald
MMS	1 st Grade	Brooke Johnson
MMS	1 st Grade	Kristen Hypes
MMS	Speech	Jessica Sexton
NEMS	Special Education	Ben Woodyard
NEMS	6 th Grade Math	Jennifer Shrewsbury

- C. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Gollehon, with second by Dr. Webb and unanimous voting, approved the revised Organizational Chart for the 2012-13 school year.
- D. The School Board, on motion of Dr. Webb, with second by Mr. Whitehead and unanimous voting, approved policy revisions as recommended by the VSBA Policy Services and administration.
- E. The School Board, on motion of Dr. Webb, with second by Mr. Whitehead and unanimous voting, approve the revised notice of intent to provide home instruction form. The School Board form, SB-51, was revised due to a change in the Virginia code section. Virginia Code 22.1-254.1 states that parents who have elected to provide home instruction are required to submit a description of curriculum limited to a list of subjects to be studied during the coming year.
- F. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Gollehon, with second by Dr. Webb and unanimous voting, approved Mr. Whitehead to serve a two year term (2012-13 & 2013-2014) on the Governor’s School Board of Directors. Mr. Whitehead abstained.

- G. The School Board, on motion of Dr. Webb, with second by Mr. Whitehead and unanimous voting, approved an update to the new teacher evaluation since the waiver from NCLB was approved by the USED.

CONCERNS/COMMENTS...

The Superintendent stated that on September 12th, DOE will release federal accountability reports, which will include those schools that are identified as priority and focus schools. Based on the preliminary testing data, we anticipate that EEMS and NEMS will Meet All Federal AMOs. Under this flexibility plan, schools and divisions will be required to reduce failure rates in reading and mathematics over the next 6 years for all students, each proficiency gap group, and each individual group in order to meet federal accountability requirements. In addition, on September 26th, DOE will officially release the 2012-2013 accreditation reports. Based on the preliminary data that we have received, we anticipate that all 5 schools should be fully accredited this year.

The Superintendent stated that the schools will be completing a school safety audit within the next couple weeks with their school safety committees. As information, this is an annual thing that they do and it must be submitted by September 28th to the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services. Once all schools are complete, we will convene our division safety committee to review the responses on the school audits.

The Superintendent stated that they have revised the guidelines for uniform performance standards and evaluation criteria for principals. Those will become effective July 1, 2013. As information, a committee has been put together to review and make recommendations for the new principal evaluation model.

The Superintendent commended Thomas Brown for placing 3rd in Computer Problem Solving in FBLA nationals. There were a total of 8,000 students in attendance and approximately 50 in computer problem solving. Also, Jazzon Symns was there assisting the state specialist serving as their State of Virginia officer. Also, Tabitha Young received the Al Roane MS Virginia Business Education Association Teacher of the Year 2012 award and scholarship at the VBEA conference in Roanoke, Virginia.

The Superintendent thanked the Giles County Autism Parent Group for their donation of 7 iPads to our elementary schools for each Special Education department.

IN OTHER ACTION...

The School Board, on motion of Dr. Webb, with second by Mr. Whitehead and unanimous voting, approved the minutes from the special meeting on August 10th, 2012.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Gollehon, with second by Mr. Whitehead, confirmed that they have reviewed the crisis plans from each school, prior to the Superintendent certifying to the Department of Education that they have received and reviewed it

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Whitehead, with second by Dr. Webb and unanimous voting, approved the employment of Katie Conaway, EEMS Guidance Counselor, effective September 4th, 2012.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Gollehon, with second by Mrs. McMahon and unanimous voting, approved the resignation of Glenna Woodring, effective August 15th, 2012.

The School Board, on motion of Dr. Webb, with second by Mr. Whitehead and unanimous voting, approved the following Volunteer Athletic Coaching Agreements – Jody Bragg – NHS Athletics, Ricky Green – NHS Basketball, John Lawson – NHS Football Assistant & J.V. Baseball, Megan Epperley – GHS Volleyball, Alvin McGuire – NHS Athletic Volunteer (12-13 School Year).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Gollehon, with second by Mr. Whitehead and unanimous voting, approved the following Athletic Coaching Contracts – Randy Roe - GHS Varsity Boys Soccer & Head 8th Grade Football, Tim Munsey – GHS Head JV Football.

NEXT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

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The next regular School Board meeting will be held Thursday, September 27th at 4:00 p.m. and the Quarterly Dinner meeting will be at 5:30 at the Giles Tech Center.

The Chairman, on motion of Mr. Whitehead, with second by Mr. Gollehon and unanimous voting, adjourned the meeting.

Chairman

Clerk