

June 30, 2016

The closeout meeting of the Giles County School Board was held at 7:30 AM on June 30, 2016 in the School Administration Office Building Conference Room. Persons present were:

Marion C. Ballard
Eric G. Gentry
Drema K. McMahon, Chairman
Stephen M. Steele
Mark A. Wilburn

Dr. Terry E. Arbogast II, Superintendent
Amanda J. Tickle, Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. McMahon, School Board Chairman, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board, on motion of Mr. Gentry, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the Superintendent's June 30, 2016 School Board Meeting Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Terri Dickerson attended the School Board meeting to address handicap parking problems at our schools. She has nine grandchildren that attend Giles County Public Schools. She stated that the handicap parking in our schools is ridiculous. She enjoys coming to the games to support her grandchildren, but the handicap parking makes it an issue for her. Mrs. McMahon stated that the board will address this with the principals.

Pastor Wilburn attended the School Board meeting to address a letter he received from the Department of Justice (Civil Rights Division). The letter was in regards to Title IX and transgender students. He knows of other counties that are passing resolutions to address this letter. He wants to know if there is anything he can do to help the board when the federal governmental comes down to telling the divisions that they must accommodate transgender students. Pastor Wilburn wanted board members to think about this issue when it does "come down the pipe." Board members felt that they wanted to let the issue "lay" at this time.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

The Board, on motion of Mr. Gentry, with second by Mr. Whitehead and unanimous voting, accepted the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following consent items:

- A. Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular – May 19th
 - 2. Special – May 9th
 - 3. Special – June 6th
 - 4. Special – June 16th

- B. Financial Data
 - 1. Payment of Bills to include May 4th, 11th, 12th, 18th, 25th and June 2nd, 3rd, 8th, 15th, and 22nd
 - 2. Payrolls to include May 31st, June 15th, June 30th and July/August Escrow
 - 3. May 2016 Revenue and Expenditure Reports
 - 4. Appropriation Request for July 2016
TO: Christopher McKlarney
Interim Administrator for Giles County
RE: July 2016 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the month of July 2016. This is for the first month of the fiscal year 2016-17. 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.

Total Appropriation Request: \$ 2,242,036.00
(Operating + Flow-thru)

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. If you have questions, please feel free to let me know. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

5. Confirmation of Surplus Items

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. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Gentry and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Resignations**: Anita Lemon – NHS Biology (end 15-16), Kim Kantsios – NHS Teacher Assistant (June 10th), Sarah Woods – EEMS Teacher (June 9th), Melissa Perdue – NHS Special Education Teacher (June 30th)
 2. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Ballard and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Employment**: Bethany Christian – NHS Biology (16-17), Jessica Sexton – MMS Speech Language Pathologist (16-17), Transfer of Lisa White from MMS to EEMS (16-17), Brittany Greenlief – NHS History (16-17), Chris Gautier – NEMS Principal (July 1), Heather Lucas – MMS Special Ed. Teacher (16-17), Alleta Morrison – NHS Math (16-17), Jake Munsey – GHS ARDT (16-17), Michelle Mosley – NHS Bookkeeper (July 1), Mark Husband – GTC Principal (July 1), Kevin White – MMS Principal (July 1)
 3. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Gentry and unanimous voting, approved the following **Athletic Coaching Contracts**: Kayla Stump – NHS Varsity Volleyball Assistant, Jon Bowman – NHS Football Assistant, Clyde Turner – NHS Football Assistant, Greg Robertson – NHS Varsity Boys Basketball Head Coach, Erica Gautier – NHS Varsity Girls Volleyball Head Coach, Shanda Green – NHS Junior Varsity Volleyball Head, Todd Guynn – NHS Varsity Girls Basketball Head, Sherry Duncan – NHS Middle School Volleyball Head, Joe Fraley – NHS Varsity Football Coordinator, Joe Fraley – Varsity Boys & Girls Track Head, Kelly Lowe – NHS Varsity Football Head, Henry Buchanan – Varsity co-ed Soccer Head, Chris Helvey – NHS Junior Varsity Football Head, Ben Woodyard – NHS Football Assistant, Ben Woodyard – Weightlifting Coordinator, McCreery Mann – NHS Football Assistant, Josh Sparks – NHS Varsity Boys Tennis Head Coach, Tara Johnson – NHS Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Head, Lane Mann – NHS Varsity Boys & Girls Cross Country Coach, Leah Witt - NHS Middle School Boys & Girls Track Head Coach
- B. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Ballard, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved policy changes as recommended by VSBA Policy Services and Administration. There was a slight revision to policy JJAC as recommended by the School Board.
- C. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Gentry, with second by Mr. Ballard and unanimous voting, approved Mrs. McMahon and Mr. Steele as the VSBA delegate and alternate respectively to the 2016 Annual Convention in Williamsburg. Mrs. McMahon and Mr. Steele abstained.

COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Mr. Gentry stated that they had a good time going to Richmond to see Mrs. Gwaltney (NHS Agriculture Teacher) get recognized. He congratulated her again on being selected as the recipient for the Region VII 2016 Creating Excellence Award for CTE Programs.

Mr. Gentry stated that he attended the state track meet in Radford and saw a lot of our kids. He stated that our students/parents showed great sportsmanship.

Mr. Gentry stated it has been a great year for county schools.

Mr. Wilburn stated that he went to Washington DC with EEMS 7th grade. The kids behaved great.

Mr. Wilburn attended the EEMS 7th grade graduation. He stated that Mr. Canaday did a great job!

Mr. Steele stated that he and Eric had a productive day this past week surveying the Macy parking lot and facility. They are hoping to

do a little redesign.

Mr. Steele discussed the Future Spartan Volleyball clinic at GHS this week. There was a great turnout for that.

Mr. Steele stated that he would like to get some articles “fired up” in the Virginian Leader about our schools/teacher, etc. He would like for the whole community to see what really goes on in our schools and all that our teachers do. Dr. Arbogast will put together a spreadsheet to send to the schools so they can sign up for certain weeks.

Dr. Arbogast discussed the possibility of him, Mr. Franklin and two board members going to one of the schools once a month to be available for any questions.

Mr. Ballard congratulated Jessica Gwaltney for receiving her award.

Mr. Ballard congratulated all the retiring employees for this past school year.

Mr. Ballard discussed future leadership plans once Mrs. Webb retires for the preschool program.

Mrs. McMahon stated that the summer food program is going quite well. She stated that if any board members could help on any certain day that would be great.

Mrs. McMahon discussed upcoming dates for School Board members.

Mrs. McMahon stated that she attended the “Help Save the Next Girl” project/luncheon, which was a Pearisburg Junior Women’s Club project. This was a foundation that was set up by the Herington family. One of our local students who just graduated as part of her Girl Scout Gold Award project started a local branch of this to educate our young women in this community. Megan Robertson set up this local chapter to bring awareness to our area.

IN OTHER ACTION...

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Ballard and unanimous voting, approved the June 2nd, 2016 minutes.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Gentry, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the Employment of Amber Jones – EEMS Teacher Assistant (16-17).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Ballard, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the transfer of Deb Parcell (Teacher Assistant) from MMS to NHS (16-17).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Gentry, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved additional bills for June 24th.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Gentry and unanimous voting, approved the 2 year commitment of slots (20 seats/year) to the Governor’s School.

Mr. Steele stated his concerns for the Governor’s School facility and improvements that need to be done to the building. There is water leaking down the walls in several places. Dr. Arbogast and Mr. Steele will discuss these concerns at the next Governor’s School meeting.

Dr. Arbogast stated that based on the unofficial SOL results, it is anticipated that all 5 schools will be fully accredited.

Dr. Arbogast discussed the STEM camp that is currently going on. He encouraged them to go out to see what the kids are doing.

Dr. Arbogast also recognized Jessica Gwaltney on her recent Region 7 CTE award.

Dr. Arbogast commended Luke Stubbs for being named to the 2016 VHSL 2A Boys All-State Soccer Team (Second Team).

Dr. Arbogast stated that he received notification from DOE from their onsite visit for the VPI+ preschool program and we have met federal requirements. Thanks to Michele, Cathy, April and the preschool teachers for their efforts.

Dr. Arbogast discussed budget. It was anticipated that we would be able to carry over \$100,000, but after all bills/payrolls/etc., we will now be carrying over \$247,000. The additional carry over is from additional sales tax, insurance claims, more forestry money and fuel/janitorial/utilities savings, etc. The board emphasized again that they would like to look at bookkeeper and secretaries salaries.

School Board members discussed the vacant nursing positions at the Giles Tech Center and decided to repost the Director position.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next regular School Board meeting will be held *Friday morning, August 19, 2016 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 Chairman, on motion of Mr. Ballard, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, adjourned the meeting.

Chairman

Clerk