

June 23rd, 2022

The Giles County School Board held a work session at 1:00 p.m. on June 23rd, 2022. Persons present were:

Jason B. Buckland
Melissa R. Guynn
Phillip A. Pennington
Stephen M. Steele
Mark A. Wilburn

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

The chairman called the work session to order.

Dr. Arbogast stated that contracts went out to staff members yesterday. He will have the board approve the final budget at the June 30th closeout meeting. Mr. Steele asked about the proposed staff bonus in December. Dr. Arbogast stated it is proposed for SOQ positions; however, it is encouraged to give it to all full-time staff.

Dr. Arbogast updated the board on the NEMS HVAC. He stated that it is progressing as well as they can. There has been a delay in getting the crane there to move the equipment.

Dr. Arbogast stated that they plan to do the Narrows and Giles High kitchen floors from July 25th – August 9th. They are working with Hobart to get the equipment out of there prior to that.

Dr. Arbogast stated that there were some questions about the paint colors at Narrows and Giles High School. They are working through to resolve this.

Dr. Arbogast stated that he was given pricing on the lighting/sound at GHS for the auditorium. The price that was given to them was significantly higher than expected. The work wouldn't even be complete before this time next year. Mr. Buckland stated that prices may go down by this time next year. Dr. Arbogast is going to have another conversation with Randy from ZMM regarding this project.

Dr. Arbogast stated that we received another quote for water softeners. An individual will be here next Thursday to attend the meeting to discuss return on investment for water softeners.

Dr. Arbogast discussed the GHS track and tennis courts. He talked with the track individual and he specified which metal spikes could be used on the track. The tennis courts should be started right after the 4th of July.

Dr. Arbogast stated that we are still waiting on some information from STRIDE. Mr. Buckland stated that when we get the letter, we should get our attorney to look at it and then send to Mr. McKlarney for the county attorney to review.

Mr. Pennington mentioned the idea of possibly having a staff member at each school cross trained to have a gun in school. This would be in addition to the SRO in each building. Dr. Arbogast stated that we would have to check with counsel. He stated that he would think that it would need to be changed legislatively first.

Mr. Steele called the voting session to order.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Buckland, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the Title I, part A grant.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the Title II grant.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Buckland, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the Title IV grant.

The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the 2022-2023 Annual Gifted Plan.

The Board, on motion of Mr. Buckland, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, went into a closed meeting under Section 2.2-3711 of the Virginia Code and Paragraphs 1: Discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment; assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body. Following discussion, Mr. Buckland moved to go to regular session. Mr. Wilburn seconded the motion and voting was unanimous. The School Board, unanimously, certified that the meeting was in regards to personnel and conducted under section 2.2-3711.

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VOTE

Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Clerk of the Giles County School Board

Date

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, adjourned the meeting.

Chairman

Clerk