

November 14, 2019

The regular meeting of the Giles County School Board was held at 4:00 p.m. on November 14, 2019 at the School Board Office. Persons present were:

Marion C. Ballard
Melissa R. Guynn
Phillip A. Pennington
Stephen M. Steele

Dr. Terry E. Arbogast II, Superintendent
Amanda J. Tickle, School Board Clerk
Richard R. Franklin, Assistant Superintendent
Cohen Taylor, NHS Student Representative
Caroline Clark, GHS Student Representative

The work session was called to order by the Chairman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the Superintendent's November 14th, 2019 School Board Meeting Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Katie Wright, GEA President, attended the meeting to inform board members about Lobby Day in January and encourage them to rally with them at the Capitol Bell Tower.

PRESENTATIONS

On behalf of the Giles County School Board, the following individuals were recognized:

1. Celanese
2. Jeff Bucklen – NEMS
3. Alexis Perdue – NEMS
4. Donna Ralph – NEMS
5. Lane Mann – NEMS
6. Patience Sheetz – NEMS
7. McCreery Mann – NEMS

EDUCATIONAL FEATURE

On behalf of the educational feature, Mr. Kevin White, Mr. Jimmy McCroskey and 3 building trades students attended the School Board meeting to discuss the Habitat House and the new Building Tech Shelter at the Tech Center.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

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

A. Meeting Minutes

1. Regular – October 17th, 2019
2. Special – October 10th, 2019
3. Special – October 23rd, 2019

B. Financial Data

1. Payrolls to include October 31st, 2019
2. Payment of Bills
3. Revenue and Expenditure Reports – October 2019
4. Field Trips
5. Appropriation Request for December 2019

TO: Christopher McKlarney
Interim Administrator for Giles County

FR: Dr. Terry E. Arbogast, II
Division Superintendent
RE: December 2019 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the month of December 2019. This is for the sixth month of the fiscal year 2019-2020. 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:	\$ 2,388,792.67
(Operating + Flow-thru)	
Funding for Buses Purchased (5)	492,930.00
Carryover – Paving Project	<u>10,450.00</u>
Total:	\$ 2,892,172.67

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.

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. Pennington, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Volunteer Agreements**: Anne Campbell – GHS Band, Kaylan Sheally – NHS, Caitlin Taylor – GHS Cheerleading, Jason Breeding – GHS Boys Basketball, Darrell Lucas – GHS Girls Basketball, Matt Mann – NHS Girls Basketball
 2. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Resignations**: Michael Painter – MMS Bus Driver (11-1-19)
 3. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the following **Retirement**: Wanda Rhodes – Bus Driver (10-28-19)
 4. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the updated substitute list to date.

CONCERNS/COMMENTS

Cohen Taylor stated that the NHS theatre team performed for a group of veterans on November 12th.

Cohen Taylor stated that NHS also performed a mock election.

Cohen also stated that STEM Club and Astronomy students visited Radford University last week.

Cohen also stated that two cross country runners qualified for state – Jamie Wall and Paige Spade.

Cohen also commended the NHS Varsity Football team!

Mr. Ballard stated that he was happy to be here!

Mr. Ballard commended Mr. McCroskey on all he does with the building trades program, as well as all the extras that our teachers do on a daily basis.

All board members commended all the fall sports achievements.

Mr. Steele thanked Celanese for all they do for our school system and community.

Mr. Steele stated that we got a good report from the county on our health care program.

Mrs. Guynn commended the Narrows archery team!

Mrs. Guynn thanked Katie and the GEA for their work.

Mr. Pennington thanked the GEA, Dr. Arbogast, Mr. Franklin, Amanda and all the other staff for all they do!

Caroline Clark commended Ruthie Brown for her cross country achievement of going to State.

Caroline also stated that they had a Veterans Day concert that their theatre, band and choir did and it went well.

Caroline stated that they had a good football senior night and Homecoming.

Caroline also stated that the school (GHS) has been cold.

Dr. Arbogast stated that enrollment as of today is 2,292.

Dr. Arbogast commended Narrows High School for being recognized as a WISE Blue Star School for the 18-19 Academic Year.

Dr. Arbogast shared information with board members on the legislative listening session that he attended last night at the Southwest Virginia Higher Ed Center.

Dr. Arbogast discussed the Virgin Pulse App. He has had two conference calls with the county and we are going to move forward with this. The goal is to implement the program in January 2020.

Dr. Arbogast commended the GHS Volleyball team for a great year.

Dr. Arbogast wished the NHS Football team good luck as they have their first round of playoffs tomorrow evening.

Dr. Arbogast informed board members about the first special education advisory committee meeting, which will be November 20th at EEMS.

Dr. Arbogast stated that dental screenings were held last week at all 3 elementary schools and they went well.

Dr. Arbogast thanked Mr. White, Mr. McCroskey and the students for their presentation on behalf of the Giles Tech Center.

IN OTHER ACTION...

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the following Resignation: Tori Tamburrino – NHS Biology (effective December 20th).

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next School Board Meeting will be held Thursday, December 19th at 4:00 p.m.

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

Chairman

Clerk