

May 24th, 2018

A special convened meeting of the Giles County School Board was held at 1:00 PM on May 24th, 2018 in the School Administration Office Building. The purpose of the meeting was to hold a work session, followed by a finalist interview for the Macy principal position. Persons present were:

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

Dr. Terry E. Arbogast II, Superintendent
Richard R. Franklin, Assistant Superintendent
Amanda J. Tickle, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman. On motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, the agenda was approved.

Mr. Ballard discussed the Superintendent's evaluation letting other board members know to complete it and bring it back to Mrs. Tickle. Also, he asked them to complete the board self-evaluation.

Dr. Arbogast stated that he and Mrs. Tickle went to the policy conference in Charlottesville yesterday and we will be bringing lots of policy changes from VSBA to the June meeting for approval. Also, there may be more policy changes coming from VSBA in June.

Dr. Arbogast stated that he and Mr. Franklin will be working on attendance policy information over the summer months to address the addition of "Chronic Absenteeism" as an objective being used for future accreditation status.

The School Board discussed retirement gift options for our retirees. They would like to see gifts bought per how many years of service.

There was a discussion on the 18-19 budget. Dr. Arbogast presented the board members with the budget sheet that he has proposed to the Board of Supervisors. He discussed the local match money and stated that the Board of Supervisors will help with the required match. Some items included in the proposed budget is new reading specialists, more teacher assistants, a floating nurse, more funds for STEM, assistant principals for the elementary schools, salary increases, a new (used) van. Etc. They prioritized the requests by need to be able to let the Board of Supervisors know.

There was a discussion on a proposed compensation committee. The county is wanting to put this committee together. The plan is to do 2 teachers per school, 1 bus driver, 1 cafeteria employee, 1 administrator, 2 teacher assistants per school, 1 secretary representative, 1 bookkeeper, 1 from the Tech Center, 2 School Board members on a rotating basis and the GEA President.

The Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, went into a closed meeting under Section 2.2-3711 of the Virginia Code and Paragraph 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. Steele moved to go to regular session. Mrs. Guynn seconded the motion and voting was unanimous. On motion of Mr. Steele, with a second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, the following Certification of the closed meeting was certified.

WHEREAS, the Giles School Board has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711 (D) of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this School Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Giles School Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, (I) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which certification applies and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered.

VOTE Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

Clerk of the Giles County School Board

Date

Upon the recommendation of the interview team and administration, the Superintendent recommended that Mrs. Lisa Mustain be appointed to the Macy McClagherty School principal position. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the recommendation as requested.

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

Chairman

Clerk