

**April 17, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Giles County School Board was held at 4:00 p.m. on April 17, 2019 in the School Administration Office Building Conference Room. A closed meeting was held at 3:00 p.m. to discuss student discipline. Persons present were:

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

Dr. Terry E. Arbogast II, Superintendent  
Richard R. Franklin, Assistant Superintendent  
Amanda J. Tickle, Clerk  
Brian Bowles, NHS Principal (Closed Mtg. Only)  
Todd Lusk, NHS Asst. Principal (Closed Mtg. Only)

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chairman.

The Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, went into a closed meeting under Section 2.2-3711 of the Virginia Code and Paragraph 2 – Discussion or consideration of admission or disciplinary matters or any other matters that would involve the disclosure of information contained in a scholastic record concerning any student of any Virginia public institution of higher education or any state school system. Following discussion, Mr. Wilburn moved to go to regular session. Mrs. Guynn seconded the motion and voting was unanimous. On motion of Mrs. Guynn, with a second by Mr. Wilburn 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;

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: 4                                      Nays: 0

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Clerk of the Giles County School Board

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Date

Following closed session, the Superintendent recommended that the student case # 7002167 be expelled based upon the recommendation of Narrows High School. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the recommendation.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the Superintendent's April 17, 2019 School Board Meeting Agenda.

#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

On behalf of the Professional Advisory Council, the following were recognized for their Outstanding Efforts and Continued Support:

1. Brenda Smith – NHS
2. Michelle Darr – NHS
3. Melanie Atkins/English MACC Team – GHS

#### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS**

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

- A. Meeting Minutes**
  1. Regular – March 21, 2019
- B. Financial Data**
  1. Payment of Bills

2. Payroll – March 31<sup>st</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019
3. March 2019 Revenue and Expenditure Reports
4. Confirmation of Educational Technology Resolution
5. Special Education Annual Plan
6. Field Trips
7. Appropriation Request for May 2019  
TO: Christopher McKlarney  
Interim Administrator for Giles County  
FR: Dr. Terry E. Arbogast, II  
Division Superintendent  
RE: May 2019 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the month of May 2019. This is for the eleventh month of the fiscal year 2018-2019. 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.

<b>Original Monthly Appropriation Request:</b>	<b>\$2,369,951.67</b>
<b>(Operating + Flow-thru)</b>	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$2,369,951.67</b>

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.

#### 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. Pennington and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Resignations:** Laura Copeland – Cafeteria (4/5/19)
  2. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Volunteer Agreements:** Jaime Bunker – GHS Track Asst. Coach, Bradley McGlothlin – NHS Assistant Baseball Coach, Lynette Lowe – NHS Tennis Coach, Robert Kirby – NHS FBLA Chaperone, Belinda Shrader – NHS Assistant Track Coach, Helen Bowles – NEMS Various, David Green – NHS Assistant Baseball Coach
  3. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the following **Athletic Contracts:** Steve Wilson – GHS Baseball Varsity Head Coach
  4. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the following **Employment:** David Thompson – SBO Finance Supervisor (4/15/19), Amanda Spicer – Sub Cafeteria, Bryce Burrell – GHS Biology (19-20)
  5. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the bid IFB 4-2019 (GCTC Building Materials - Metal Building) from Metal Building Outlet Corporation.
  6. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved GCPS joining the SAM Food Buying Co-Op (17 divisions in Southwest VA) effective 7/1/19.
- B. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved policy revisions as recommended by VSBA and Administration.
- C. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the Maddie Bell Scholarship.
- D. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the Career & Technical Education Plan and budget for 19-20.

E. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved a new Career & Technical Education Course (Veterinary Science II).

### EDUCATIONAL FEATURE

Mr. Brad Whitehead attended on behalf of the GHS educational feature. Mr. Whitehead and a couple of his students discussed a field trip that his marketing class took to the Access Advertising Agency, which is in Roanoke.

### COMMENTS

Mr. Pennington thanked Mr. Whitehead and his two students for the educational feature and also to the Virginian Leader for always being there.

Mr. Pennington thanked our staff and administrators for everything that they do every day.

Mrs. Guynn commended the Dr. DeNoble presentation that he did for the schools.

Mrs. Guynn congratulated Caleb Clemons, Cota McGlothlin and Frankie Cahoon for placing 1<sup>st</sup> in the Banking and Finance Systems Category.

Mrs. Guynn also congratulated Hannah Shuff for winning the New River Valley Leading Lights – volunteer of the year award. She gets to pick \$1000 to any charity.

Mrs. Guynn commended the individuals who have signed with colleges for athletics.

Mrs. Guynn stated that Mrs. Mustain was very happy with the family reading night at Macy.

Mrs. Guynn commended NEMS for having breakfast with Moms and Dads.

Mrs. Guynn stated that Morgan Ralph and Savannah Spencer won awards at the governor's school.

Mr. Steele stated that he chaperoned the chorale and ladies choir to the Single A competition. They went to a high school in Williamsburg. There were 8 different groups and the women's chorus placed first with an excellent rating. The symphonic chorale placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Single A mixed division with a superior rating. Coleton Yopp was awarded best mixed chorus soloist of the competition. It was awesome!!

Mr. Steele asked for prayers for our board chairman.

Mr. Steele stated that our teachers are doing a great job!

Dr. Arbogast stated that enrollment as of today is 2,342.

Dr. Arbogast reviewed Kindergarten registration numbers to date with board members.

Dr. Arbogast commended the chorale dept. as well.

Dr. Arbogast commended the State SkillsUSA winners. They are as follows:

Technical Exams -

Sarah Allen - Cosmetology - Silver

Jacki Blackenship - Cosmetology - Silver

Xavier Brumfield - Technical Drawing - Bronze

Parker Caldwell - Technical Drawing - Bronze

Michaela Chamberlain - Technical Drawing - Silver

Erika Dobbins - Cosmetology - Silver

Caleb Elliot - Technical Drafting - Bronze

Case Grube - Technical Drafting - Silver

Tyler Higginbotham - Technical Drafting - Bronze

Scarlet Janney - Technical Drafting - Silver

Seth Johnson - Cosmetology - Bronze

Isaac Price - Technical Drafting - Silver

Kaylonnie Pruitt - Cosmetology - Bronze  
Micah Riley - Technical Drafting - Silver  
Michelle Tickle - Cosmetology - Bronze  
Savannah Westbrook - Cosmetology - Bronze

Contests -

John Biggs - CNC Technician - Silver  
Slater Ferguson - CNC Turning Specialist - Silver  
Logan Hilton - Precision Machine Technology - Silver  
Cole Moye - Internetworking - Gold  
Sarah Allen & Michelle Tickle - Occupational Scrapbook - Silver  
Michaela Chamberlain, Caleb Elliot, Case Grube, Scarlet Janney, & Matthew Law - Quiz Bowl – Silver

Dr. Arbogast also commended Caleb Clemons, Cota McGlothlin and Frankie Cahoon for placing 1<sup>st</sup> in the Banking and Financial Systems category.

Dr. Arbogast also commended Morgan Ralph and Savannah Spencer for earning their coveted lab coat from Southwest Virginia Governor’s School for being selected to participate in the Regional and State Science Fair as well as the Virginia Junior Academy of Science.

Dr. Arbogast reminded everyone of the STEMposium next week on April 24<sup>th</sup> at GHS at 6 p.m.

Dr. Arbogast stated that the presentation from Dr. DeNoble was wonderful. Thanks to all who helped get this organized.

Dr. Arbogast discussed the health insurance. Dr. Arbogast stated that Anthem will be the TPA. Rates for employees would be the same as this year. Dental and Vision providers will be the same (Delta Dental and VSP). There will be no increase for vision rates. They may be a slight increase in Delta Dental, but we are waiting to hear back. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved Anthem being the TPA for our health insurance and the details as explained by Dr. Arbogast.

Dr. Arbogast explained information regarding the compensation committee meetings. The purpose of this was to come up with a plan moving forward for salary increases for this year, as well as the next couple years to try to get our county in line with where we need to be. They are going to do a weighted average for our teachers depending on years of experience. All other classifications would receive a 5% increase for the 2019-20 school year. The plan is to get salaries for teachers where we would rank third amongst surrounding counties. Moving forward, this weighted average is just for 2019-20 for teachers.

**IN OTHER ACTION...**

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved permission to allow Pulaski County Schools to piggy-back onto our current bid pricing with Dodson Exterminators (Dodson has agreed; Pulaski Co Board has agreed).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the Justin Williams Scholarship.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved a new policy (JGD/JGE-R1).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the following Resignation: Jerry Johnson (bus driver – effective 6/7/19).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the rollover of RFP #5-2014 (Drug/Alcohol Testing Services). The bid is currently with Greenbrier Contract Services. This will be the third year of three possible one-year rollovers. Pricing will remain the same.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next School Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

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

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Chairman

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Clerk