

August 15, 2019

The regular meeting of the Giles County School Board was held on August 15, 2019 at 7:30 a.m. in the School Administration Office Building Conference Room. Persons present were:

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

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

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the Superintendent's August 15, 2019 School Board Meeting Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Ed Clark attended the meeting to discuss his concern with cancelling the Physics class at Giles High School. They were just notified in the last couple days that it was cancelled. It is now also past the deadline to sign up for the Virtual Virginia class. The class would be very helpful for his daughter to get into college. Also, he was able to get \$500 donated to the Physics class at Giles High School, so that will need to be returned. Dr. Arbogast will look into this and check about the Virtual Virginia class.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

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

A. Meeting Minutes

1. Regular – June 27th, 2019
2. Special – July 11, 2019
3. Special – July 31st, 2019

B. Financial Data

1. Payrolls to include July 15th, 31st and August 15th, 2019
2. Payment of Bills
3. July 2019 Revenue & Expenditure Reports
4. Surplus
5. Field Trips
6. Appropriation Request for August and September 2019

TO: Christopher McKlarney
Interim Administrator for Giles County

RE: August & September 2019 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the months of August and September, 2019. This is for the second and third months of the fiscal year 2019-20. 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

August	2,388,792.67
September	2,388,792.67

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.

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. Steele, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Resignations**: Missy Weddle – GHS Secretary (7/31/19), Chris Sargent – GHS Assistant (7/12/19)
 3. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Employment**: Michael Painter – Bus Driver, Norma Trenar – Sub Bus Driver, Terry Jones – Sub Bus Driver, Amanda Lohr – GHS Guidance Counselor (19-20), Deana Garcia – MMS School Nurse (19-20), Jane Dalton – NEMS Bus Driver (19-20), Bobbie Whited - MMS Special Ed. Teacher (19-20), Rachel Colosi – MMS Special Ed. Teacher (19-20), Transfer of Deb Parcell from NEMS to GHS (Teacher Assistant), Tashina Tickle – MMS Teacher Assistant (19-20), Karen Bucklen – NEMS Elementary Teacher (19-20), Tiffany Rhinehart – MMS Teacher Assistant (19-20), Savannah Gautier – NEMS Teacher Assistant (19-20), Nancy Foote – MMS Teacher Assistant (19-20), Angela Vaughan – NEMS Teacher Assistant (19-20), Anita Perdue – GHS Secretary
 4. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the following **Athletic Coaching Contracts**:

NHS: Chris Hughes –Volunteer Football, Rodney Purdue –Volunteer Football, Randy Smith – Volunteer Football, Jason Buckland –Volunteer Football Assistant, Bryan Long – Volunteer Football, Jeff Turner – Volunteer Football, Bryan Hughes – Volunteer Football, Lee Blaker – Volunteer Football, Andy Eaton – Volunteer Golf, Kelly Laughlin – Volunteer Cross Country, Kenny Spencer – Volunteer Girls Basketball, Lee Blaker – Volunteer Track, Bendy Shrader – Volunteer Track, Andy Eaton – Volunteer Tennis, Jason McCroskey – Volunteer Assistant Baseball, Josh Sparks – Golf Head Coach, Kelly Lowe –Head Varsity Football, Joe Fraley – Offensive Coord., Henry Buchanan – Assistant Varsity Football Coach, Jon Bowman – Assistant Football Coach, Ben Woodyard – Assistant Football Coach, Clyde Turner – Assistant Football Coach, Chris Helvey – JV Head Football Coach, Teresa Lowe – Varsity Cheerleading Coach, Abby Taylor – JV Cheerleading Coach, Sherry Duncan – Varsity Volleyball Head Coach, Tori Bowman – Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach, Brittany Greenlief – JV Head Volleyball Coach, Byron Brown – Volleyball Middle School Coach, Tara Johnson – Middle School Girls Basketball Head Coach, Brock Lusk – Middle School Boys Basketball Head Coach, McCreery Mann – Varsity Head Girls Basketball Coach, Byron Brown – Assistant Varsity Girls Basketball Coach, Kristi Dobbins – JV Head Basketball Girls Coach, Patrick Bailey – Varsity Head Basketball Boys Coach, Jeff Allen – Varsity Boys Basketball Assistant Coach, Roger Sheppard – JV Head Boys Basketball Coach, Debbie Lusk – JV & Varsity Cheer Coach, Chris Helvey – Varsity Head Baseball Coach, Robbie Patteson – Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach, Patrick Bailey – JV Head Baseball Coach, Tiffany Helton – Middle School Track Coach, Henry Buchanan – Varsity Soccer, Josh Sparks – Varsity Boys Tennis Coach, Ben Woodyard – Weightlifting Head Coach, Josh Sparks – Head Scholastic Bowl Coach, Heather Ursano – Theatre Head Coach, Tori Tamburrino – Varsity Head Cross Country, Alyssa Smith – Volleyball Volunteer, Tori Tamburrino – NHS Varsity Cross Country Coach

GHS: Lindsay Meredith – JV Volleyball Head Coach, Randy Weddle – Girls Tennis Head Coach, Jonathan Kidd – Soccer JV Head Coach, Andrew Frazier – Soccer Boys Varsity Head Coach, W.R. Johnston – Golf Head Coach, Jake Munsey – Cross Country Boys/Girls Head Coach, Colin Munsey – Cross Country Boys/Girls Asst. Coach, Jeff Williams – Varsity Football Head Coach, Jason Breeding – Varsity Assistant Football Coach, Anthony Ratcliffe – Varsity Assistant Football Coach, Steve Wilson – Varsity Football Assistant Coach, Tim Munsey – JV Head Football Coach, Matt Burns – JV Assistant Football Coach, Sam Wright – Assistant JV Football Coach, Jodie Giles – Head Varsity Cheerleading Coach, Nicole Wilson – Head JV Cheerleading Coach, Mandy Havens – Varsity Head Volleyball Coach, Lori Shannon – Middle Volleyball Head Coach, Jodie Giles – Varsity Head Cheerleading Coach, Brad Whitehead – Boys JV Basketball Coach, Robbie Santolla – JV Girls Basketball Coach, Jimmy McCroskey – JV Baseball, Steve Wilson – Varsity Baseball, Colin Munsey – Track Assistant Coach, Sam Wright – Track Assistant, Jackie Evans – JV Assistant Football Coach, Richard Cook – Football Volunteer, Dakota Shrader – Football Volunteer, Charlie Mullins –Football Volunteer, Benji Ratcliffe – Football Volunteer, Darla Whitehead – Cross Country Volunteer
- B. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved policy revisions as recommended by VSBA and Administration.

C. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved a new Veterinary Science course at NHS for the 19-20 school year.

CONCERNS/COMMENTS...

Mr. Pennington stated that he hoped everyone had a good summer. Thanks to everyone who got everything ready for the new school year.

Mrs. Guynn spoke with a teacher at Narrows who was hired to help with cleaning over the summer. The teacher thought it was a great success to the schools!

Mrs. Guynn commended Mrs. Lawson and all the staff and volunteers who have helped with the Summer Lunch program.

Mr. Wilburn also commended the summer food program and its success!

Mr. Steele stated that the schools look like they are in great shape and the teachers are more energized with their new contracts.

Mr. Steele also commended our staff who helped with summer cleaning at schools. He would like to see the money put back every year to help with that.

Mr. Steele stated that the gym floor looks great at GHS. He wants to make sure that the new floors are treated with good care.

Mr. Steele stated that he wanted to make sure that coaches have approved individuals such as water boys, ball boys, or other individuals that are on the side lines of sporting events.

Mr. Ballard also commended the summer food program. He stated that Mr. Hurst attended and was very attentive with the kids.

Mr. Ballard discussed an upcoming webinar for School Board members on October 10th. He would like for the board to participate in the webinar. Dr. Arbogast is going to register for the webinar.

Dr. Arbogast stated that preliminary enrollment figure as of August 13th is 2,293.

Dr. Arbogast stated that based on preliminary testing information, we anticipate that all 5 schools will meet Accreditation.

Dr. Arbogast discussed changes to the Standards of Learning testing.

Dr. Arbogast stated that we had a great article in the Bluefield Daily Telegraph regarding the summer food program! He also shared summer food program statistics as of yesterday. Children meals that have been served are 10,945 and adult meals served is 4,501.

Dr. Arbogast stated that hands-on bus driver training was held at Narrows High School for all of our bus drivers. It was a great training!

IN OTHER ACTION...

The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the Employment of Kim Nichols – MMS Preschool Teacher (19-20).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the following Volunteer Agreements: Alvin McGuire – NHS Football, Derrick Reed – NHS Basketball Coach.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the following Resignation: Melissa Langley – GHS School Nurse (August 2nd, 2019).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved a resolution to name Emily Rice/Bluefield Daily Telegraph and Amelia Whittaker/The Virginian Leader to the 2019 VSBA Media Honor Roll.

2019 MEDIA HONOR ROLL

WHEREAS, in each community, the public schools are shaped by the community to provide the most appropriate and effective education for the schoolchildren who attend those schools; and

WHEREAS, public schools are dependent on the community’s support in countless ways, including support in setting goals for the education of our children, in establishing successful volunteer and booster programs at the schools, for annual funding of operations, in periodic bond elections, in the election of qualified school board members; and

WHEREAS, much of the community’s knowledge and opinions about the public schools rely on responsible reporting by local media representatives who decide which news to share with the community, how much attention will be focused on various issues, and what the tone of the reporting will be;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Giles County School Board place the name of Amelia Whittaker/The Virginian Leader and Emily Rice/Bluefield Daily Telegraph on the statewide *VSBA Media Honor Roll*, calling attention to the ongoing responsible and exemplary nature of reporting on this community’s public schools. We express our appreciation for your balanced and accurate approach to sharing with this community both the challenges facing our schools and the successes achieved by the teachers and students. Your work has aided this community in focusing on the goal of providing the best public schools we can for the children who attend them.

The Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, 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, Mrs. Guynn moved to go to regular session. Mr. Pennington 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;

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

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Steele with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the recommendation to lift the expulsion ban for student #6002724.

Clerk of the Giles County School Board

Date

Dr. Arbogast welcomed the new teachers for their new teacher orientation.

NEXT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The next regular School Board meeting will be held Thursday, September 19th at 4:00 p.m.

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

Chairman

Clerk