

## April 20, 2017

The regular meeting of the Giles County School Board was held at 7:00 p.m. on April 20, 2017 in the School Administration Office Building Conference Room. Delegate Yost attended at 6 p.m. to speak with board members. No closed meeting was held. Persons present were:

Marion C. Ballard  
Eric G. Gentry  
Drema K. McMahan  
Stephen M. Steele  
Mark A. Wilburn

Dr. Terry E. Arbogast II, Superintendent  
Amanda J. Tickle, School Board Clerk  
Richard R. Franklin, Assistant Superintendent  
Rhonda Tickle, Finance Director (6 p.m. meeting only)

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

Board members convened at 6 p.m. to talk with Delegate Joseph Yost on things that are going on in Richmond and discuss ways that he can help with funding for the school system. Delegate Yost stated that he would like to go back and “tweak” the 10-10-10 program and try to help Giles County with funding. Dr. Arbogast and board members stated that it would really help if we could count preschool children in the ADM funding. Delegate Yost said that he would be happy to check into this. There was a discussion on the state insurance plan. Delegate Yost thinks that there should be a savings on this program and right now, the numbers don’t reflect it. Mrs. Tickle asked if there was any discussion on changing the ADM formulas because they are outdated. Delegate Yost stated that the formula still benefits rural areas. He stated that the only thing he would caution is that the rural counties are not the “majority” in the house and senate and some of the larger areas would love to get their hands on the formula. If it is changed, he is not sure if it will help us any better. Mrs. Tickle stated that maybe we could look at separating textbook money and lottery money instead of combining them together. She stated that the house and senate need to look at starting pay increases in July, since contracts start in July. Delegate Yost says he has other ideas to try to bring in more revenue for the county. Mrs. Tickle stated that we have lost \$2 million dollars in state funding from 2009 – 2016. Delegate Yost stated that some of it is attributed to the economic downturn. Mrs. Tickle stated that another thing that would help us is we used to get our basic aid, but over the years, when they put more money in sales tax as part of our revenues (as opposed to guaranteed money), then they forecast the sales tax wrong, so we get less. Mrs. McMahan stated that one thing that would help is to improve our tax base. Delegate Yost encouraged the board to send him revenue/expenditure information for him to review. Board members thanked Delegate Yost for meeting with them.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board, on motion of Mrs. McMahan, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the Superintendent's April 20, 2017 School Board Meeting Agenda.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charlie Mullins attended the School Board meeting to discuss the upcoming MUDDY ACCE Race fundraiser. He showed a short video of the race from last year. He asked board members and GCPS staff to help promote and help with this race. The proceeds help send GCPS students to New River Community College.

### SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

On behalf of the Professional Advisory Council, the following were recognized for their Outstanding Efforts and Continued Support: Kristen Corboy – EEMS, Tracy Ferguson – MMS, Norma Trenar – MMS, Sarah Perdue – GHS, Jeff Young – GTC, Laura Mitchem – GTC

On behalf of the School Board, PEMTEL and Carilion Giles Community Hospital were presented with a plaque as part of the 2017 Virginia School Boards Association Business Honor Roll.

On behalf of the School Board, Steven Hodge, Madison Gilmer and Cassie Piscitello were presented with a certificate for their participation in the 2017 Blue Ridge Regional Art Show.

### APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

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

**A. Meeting Minutes**

1. Regular – March 16, 2017
2. Special – March 14<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, March 31<sup>st</sup> and April 6<sup>th</sup> (Amended)

**B. Financial Data**

1. Payrolls to include March 31<sup>st</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017
2. Payment of Bills to include March 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and April 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017
3. March 2017 Revenue and Expenditure Reports
4. Confirmation of Educational Technology Resolution
5. Special Education Annual Plan
6. Field Trips
7. Appropriation Request for May 2017

TO: Christopher McKlarney  
Interim Administrator for Giles County  
FR: Dr. Terry E. Arbogast, II  
Division Superintendent  
RE: May 2017 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the month of May 2017. This is for the eleventh month of the fiscal year 2016-17. 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:** \$ 2,242,036.00  
**(Operating + Flow-thru)**

**Total:** \$ 2,242,036.00

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.

#### EDUCATIONAL FEATURE

Mr. Husband and Dusty Stump attended the School Board meeting on behalf of the GTC educational feature. They discussed what goes on in Welding at the Tech Center and shared information about their recent SkillsUSA contest, which occurred at the Tech Center. Mr. Stump also thanked his many businesses, including Patrick Enterprises and many more that continue to support his program at the Tech Center. Mr. Stump showed the project of the Giles Court House that the students welded during the SkillsUSA contest.

#### 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. Ballard and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Resignations:** Emily Reynolds – EEMS (end 16-17)
2. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. McMahan and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Volunteer Agreements:** Robert Kirby – NHS FBLA
3. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Ballard, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the 2016-17 Substitute List to Date.
4. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. McMahan and unanimous voting, approved the following **Employment:** Transfer of Holly Clark from GHS English to GHS Biology Teacher (17-18), Transfer of Lisa White from EEMS Elem. Teacher to Elementary/Gifted Art (17-18), Kaitlynn Farmer – GHS Math (17-18), Kristie Black – Substitute Bus Driver
5. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mrs. McMahan and unanimous voting, approved the rollover of RFP #8-2013 (vision services). This would be the second of three possible one-year rollovers.
6. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Ballard and unanimous voting, approved the rollover of RFP #10-2014 (sports officiating services). This would be the first of three possible one-year rollovers. All vendors agreed to maintain current pricing for school year 2017-18.

7. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Ballard and unanimous voting, accepted the bid from Newberry Ford for services specified in IFB #3-2017 (purchase of drivers education vehicle). Bids were received from:

Newberry	\$19,610
Shelor's	\$21,834.47

B. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Ballard, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved policy revisions (only JEC-R) as recommended by VSBA and Administration.

C. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Ballard, with second by Mrs. McMahan and unanimous voting, approved a scholarship in memory of Seth Simpson offered by the NHS Class of 2007.

D. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the Debbie Snell Memorial Scholarship.

#### COMMENTS

Mrs. McMahan congratulated Maggie Guynn on being named All Timesland Girls Basketball Team.

Mrs. McMahan thanked Clendal for being here today.

Mrs. McMahan congratulated the 3 participants from Giles County who participated in the Art Show.

Mrs. McMahan congratulated the NEMS Archery Team for their successful tournament competition.

Mrs. McMahan thanked Shaena Muldoon and the Celebrity Chefs for the great food during the fundraiser for the Summer Food Program.

Mr. Steele commended the STEMPosium at Giles High School. It was an amazing event. The kids had a wonderful time.

Mr. Steele thanked the teachers and staff for all they do. He stated that they are knocking on every door and doing all they can do to let you know how much they are valued.

Mr. Steele stated that he is trying to get something together for athletics that states how athletic facilities are operated. He stated that it is harder and harder to get coaches. He wants the kids to get a good balance of education and athletics.

Mr. Wilburn stated that he was able to attend a Hot Topics conference in Charlottesville. He stated it was very informational.

Mr. Wilburn commended the law enforcement who taught the 10<sup>th</sup> graders the RAD training.

Mr. Wilburn commended the Honor Society for helping with trash pick-up on a Saturday morning.

Mr. Wilburn stated that Giles High has started the next chapter of "Help Save the Next Girl."

Mr. Ballard congratulated all the Teacher of the Year Candidates: Larissa Wurtz, Tara Johnson, Emily Reynolds, Pam Malabad and Tanya Jewell.

Mr. Ballard commended Giles County for being recognized in the VSBA Showcases for Success (NEMS Archery Program).

Mr. Gentry stated that he had the pleasure of doing a CTE webinar through VSBA. He stated that CTE is a lot more technical now.

Mr. Gentry stated that he has been in track meets for the last several weeks. He stated that we have a lot of great kids and we are well represented!

Mr. Gentry stated that it was good to see the coaching evaluations come out. It is a good tool!

Mr. Gentry stated that we need to have a discussion to see whether we can help individuals out who take the family plan.

Dr. Arbogast stated that enrollment as of yesterday was 2,377.

Dr. Arbogast stated that our summer food grant was approved.

Dr. Arbogast updated the School Board with the Fast Break numbers. He stated that they continue to rise.

Dr. Arbogast stated that all spring drug testing came back negative.

Dr. Arbogast stated that our archery program was featured in the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual VSBA Showcases for Success Directory.

Dr. Arbogast commended the FBLA winners in their recent competition. They are as follows:

3<sup>rd</sup> place Partnership with Business – Haley Keffer and Adarah Williams

4<sup>th</sup> place “Future Business Leader” – Camber Thornhill

4<sup>th</sup> place Impromptu Speaking – Sydney Hawks

Leadership Award Recognition: Haley Keffer, Sophie Steele and Camber Thornhill

Who’s Who in FBLA Award was received by Camber Thornhill and Haley Keffer

The following students to be recognized at Nationals will be: Sophie Steele, Camber Thornhill and Haley Keffer for the American Award.

Dr. Arbogast commended this year’s HOSA accomplishments. They are as follows:

First Place: Amanda Amos – Nutrition

Tiler Smith, Samantha Stanley and Ashley Allen – All three competed as a team in Community Awareness

Second Place: Maria Mullins and Jason Stewart – Both competed as a team in CPR/First Aid

Third Place: Anjeza Abazi – Medical Terminology

Dr. Arbogast stated that the Giles Tech Center received one of sixteen state funded CTE Competitive Innovative Program Equipment Grants for High Demand and Fast Growth Industry Sectors in the amount of \$37,500. This will be used to purchase a new CNC Mill machine.

Dr. Arbogast shared a letter from the County that commended Diana Blanton, Pam Malabad and Sarah Perdue for helping out with the Ramps and Roads clean up day, as well as their student volunteers.

Dr. Arbogast commended Jeannie Dudding for being the 2017 VAAEA Poster Contest state winner.

Dr. Arbogast thanked Delegate Yost for speaking to our board and him today.

Dr. Arbogast thanked Mr. Husband and Mr. Stump for doing the educational feature.

Dr. Arbogast thanked Christina Martin for her hard work with the STEMPosium.

#### **IN OTHER ACTION...**

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. McMahon and unanimous voting, approved the following Retirements – Boni Kirk (GTC Secretary Bookkeeper - effective February 1, 2018), Jeff Young (Network Administrator – effective January 1, 2019), Toma Eaton (EEMS Teacher – effective end 16-17).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. McMahon and unanimous voting, approved surplus of a Greenhouse at NHS.

#### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next School Board Meeting will be held Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

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

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Chairman

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Clerk