

**January 18, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Giles County School Board was held at 4:00 p.m. on January 18, 2018 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, Clerk  
Haley Johnson, Student Representative  
Josh Weddle, Student Representative

**BOARD MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Arbogast.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the Superintendent's January 18, 2018 School Board Meeting Agenda.

**2018 ORGANIZATION**

Mrs. Guynn nominated Mr. Ballard for Chairman. Mr. Wilburn nominated Mr. Steele for Chairman. Voting for Mr. Ballard is as follows: AYE: Pennington, Guynn. Voting for Mr. Steele is as follows: Wilburn. Mr. Steele and Mr. Ballard abstained.

Mr. Wilburn nominated Mr. Steele for Vice-Chairman. Voting for Mr. Steele is unanimous. Mr. Steele abstained.

The Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the third Thursday at 4:00 PM as the monthly meeting date and time for the 2018.

The Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, appointed Amanda Tickle as School Board Clerk for 2018 and Terry Arbogast and Barbara Perkins as Deputy Clerks for 2018. Voting was unanimous.

Mr. Steele, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, nominated Mr. Franklin as the Superintendent's designee for 2018. Voting was unanimous.

**PRESENTATIONS**

On behalf of the Professional Advisory Council, the following individuals were recognized:

1. Marlene Bailey
2. Randy Weddle

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS**

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

**A. Meeting Minutes**

1. Regular & Special – December 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**B. Financial Data**

1. Payrolls to include December 20<sup>th</sup> & January 12<sup>th</sup>
2. Payment of Bills
3. December 2017 Revenue and Expenditure Reports
4. Confirmation of Field Trips
5. Appropriation Request for February 2018  
TO: Christopher McKlarney

Interim Administrator for Giles County  
FR: Dr. Terry E. Arbogast, II  
Division Superintendent  
RE: February 2018 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the month of February 2018. This is for the eighth month of the fiscal year 2017-18. 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>	\$ 2,283,819.50
<b>(Operating + Flow-thru)</b>	
<b>Total:</b>	\$ 2,283,819.50

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.  
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#### EDUCATIONAL FEATURE

Mr. Chris Gautier, Mr. Jeff Bucklen, Mrs. Beth Ellis and Mrs. Tracie Turner attended the School Board meeting on behalf of Narrows Elementary/Middle School. Mr. Bucklen, Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. Turner attended the Math for Mountains conference over the summer which was offered through a grant. They shared what the conference/workshop entailed and how they use this information in their classroom. They really enjoy using Place Based Learning, also known as PBL. This engages students in their community, including their environment.

#### 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 Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Employment**: Emily Phillips – MMS PreSchool (1/22/18)
  2. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Steele, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Resignations**: Sandra Kelley (1/19/18)
  3. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Athletic Contracts**: Seth Davis – GHS Head Varsity Basketball
- B. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved an updated copy of the VSBA Code of Conduct.

#### CONCERNS/COMMENTS

Mrs. Guynn stated that she is excited to be on the school board. She was happy to tour all of our schools this week. She is very appreciative of everyone's hard work at our schools.

Mrs. Guynn stated that she was happy to see the article in the Roanoke Times about Paul Baker's class.

Mr. Wilburn welcomed the new board members. He stated that it is not easy, but we do it for the kids.

Mr. Wilburn stated that our maintenance and custodians have done a wonderful job at keeping our buildings heated during the cold weather.

Mr. Steele stated that there are choir trips coming up – he applauds the choir teachers for allowing them to be involved in things other than math. Keeping music involved is a big deal for these kids.

Mr. Steele also commended the STEM program here in the county.

Mr. Steele thanked the cafeteria workers for all they do.

Mr. Steele also commended the garage, bus drivers and maintenance crew for all they do during these cold days.

Mr. Steele discussed the ACCE program and all the benefits that it has to our students.

Mr. Steele stated that budgets are coming up – we are not going to get tired and quit -we are going to continue pushing for better pay for all that our staff does.

Mr. Ballard stated that there are some budget concerns this year because insurance has increased by 20% this year.

Mr. Ballard stated that he wants to talk at the next work session about board members doing some school visits.

Mr. Ballard congratulated Cole Meadows at GHS for Player of the Week and Maggie Gynn was named Roanoke Times Player of the Year.

Mr. Ballard stated that school tours went well this week He is very impressed with what our teachers do every day.

Josh Weddle thanked board members for the closings.

Haley Johnson thanked the board members for the Twitter page.

Board members welcomed Mr. Tim Hollar to Giles High School.

Dr. Arbogast stated that enrollment as of today is 2389.

Dr. Arbogast congratulated the archery teams for placing first in their regional competitions.

Dr. Arbogast stated that we have missed 7 days as of day.

Dr. Arbogast thanked all the maintenance, custodians, John Ross and John Mills for keeping the buildings up and running during the cold spell.

Dr. Arbogast stated that he enjoyed the school visits with the board members.

Dr. Arbogast stated that the next ACCE meeting is January 24<sup>th</sup>.

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

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the Employment of Tim Hollar – GHS Principal (1/22/18).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the small and rural schools coalition resolution.

The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Gynn, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the following Athletic Contracts: Chris Collins – GHS Assistant Track, Jake Munsey – GHS Head Track.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the following field trips:

- MMS/EEMS – K. Riley (3/1-3 to Abingdon High School – Choir)
- GHS – A. Westermeyer (2/2-3 to SWVA Higher Ed. Center – Band)

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next School Board Meeting will be held Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in conjunction with the School Board retreat. A work session will be held on February 6<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.

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

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Chairman

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Clerk