

September 20, 2018

The regular meeting of the Giles County School Board was held on September 20, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in the School Administration Office Building Conference Room. Persons present were:

Marion C. Ballard
Melissa R. Guynn
Mark A. Wilburn

Dr. Terry E. Arbogast II, Superintendent
Richard R. Franklin, Asst. Supt. for Curriculum
Amanda J. Tickle, School Board Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board, on motion of Guynn, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the Superintendent's September 20th, 2018 School Board Meeting Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Jeremy Bradley attended the meeting to discuss the final appeal for his son to attend Kindergarten at Eastern Elementary/Middle School. He stated that he was born and raised in Newport. He also stated that Eastern Elementary/Middle School is the best choice for his son and also is closer. He would like to help with school fundraising and after school activities. They have family that live in Giles County and are in Giles County a lot.

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 – August 16th, 2018
2. Special – August 7th, 2018

B. Financial Data

1. Payrolls to include August 31st and September 14th, 2018
2. Payment of Bills
3. August 2018 Revenue & Expenditure Reports
4. Appropriation Request for October 2018
TO: Christopher McKlarney
Interim Administrator for Giles County

RE: October 2018 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the months of October, 2018. This is for the fourth month of the fiscal year 2018-19. 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	October	2,369,951.67
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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.

5. Confirmation of Field Trips
6. 2018-2019 PAC & Calendar Advisory Committee

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

On behalf of the School Board, the following were recognized for their Outstanding Efforts and Continued Support: Amelia Whittaker – The Virginian Leader and Alexa Nash – Freelance Journalist

EDUCATIONAL FEATURE

Mr. Brian Bowles, along with Leslie Hale attended the board meeting on behalf of the Narrows High School educational feature. Mr. Bowles updated the School Board on how they are handling some new standards in Virginia. He discussed programs that they offer for Career Readiness, such as a Career Investigation Class, a Teachers for Tomorrow class and a Career Exploration class for the 8th graders. They would love to incorporate internships into the curriculum in the future. Also, to prepare for College Readiness, they offer a Math Capstone class, Dual Enrollment classes, a Career Investigation class, the Southwest Virginia Governor's school, College Interviews/Visits, etc. They also offer Academic Intervention, the Green and Gold Back and the Commitment to Community, which includes the Color Run and Talent Show.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. The Superintendent recommended action and Board approval of the following personnel/contractual items:
1. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Employment**: Jim Peck (Transfer from Central District to EEMS – Bus Driver), Jennifer Claytor – MMS Teacher Assistant, Bethany Lephew – MMS Teacher Assistant, Kayla Bradley – NEMS Elementary Teacher, Rachel Ingram – MMS Teacher Assistant, Jimmy McCroskey – GTC Building Trades, Bobby Janney – MMS Bus Driver, Megan Bogdewic – MMS Teacher Assistant, Sarah O'Donnell – MMS School Nurse, Diane Breedlove – MMS School Nurse, Courtney Martin – EEMS Teacher Assistant, Melinda Ogle – EEMS Teacher Assistant, Jason Campbell – MMS Elementary Teacher (9-17-18), Juanita Sweeney – EEMS Classroom/Office Support
 2. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Athletic Coaching Contracts**: Don Epperley – GHS Basketball Varsity Head Coach
 3. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Volunteer Agreements**: Alvin McGuire – NHS Assistant Football Coach, Bryan Long – NHS Assistant Football Coach, Rodney Perdue – NHS Assistant Football Coach, Randy Smith – NHS Assistant Football Coach, Jeff Turner – NHS Assistant Football Coach, Bryan Hughes – NHS Assistant Football Coach, Chris Hughes – NHS Assistant Football Coach, Lee Blaker – NHS Assistant Football Coach, Dean Marshall – GHS Girls Basketball, Terry Beckner – EEMS Library, Peggy Caldwell, EEMS Library, Pat Fullen – EEMS Library, Lori Hansen – EEMS Library
 4. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved The following **Resignations**: Stephanie Rupe – MMS School Nurse (9/14/18)
 5. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the 2018-2019 Substitute List to Date.

CONCERNS/COMMENTS...

Mrs. Guynn stated that she attended the 9/11 ceremony at Macy McClaugherty School and it was very well organized. Mrs. Mustain did a great job!

Mr. Wilburn stated that the muddy ACCE race is coming up on September 29th – it is a great event and helps a lot of our students. So much work goes into this.

Mr. Ballard stated that the LOVE sculpture reveal was a great event!

Mr. Ballard thanked Mr. Franklin, Dr. Arbogast, everyone on down to administrators, teachers for all their work and efforts that go into opening a school year.

Mr. Wilburn asked the School Board reps what their thoughts were on the two lunches at GHS as opposed to three. Will Cecil said he thought it was going okay.

Dr. Arbogast stated that current enrollment as of today is 2,358. This is a decrease of 10 from June and it is 28 down from our ADM number from March 31st.

Dr. Arbogast reminded board members that next Thursday, September 27th, DOE will issue a news release regarding the 2018-19 state accreditation ratings. Based on the preliminary information we have, we anticipate that all 5 schools will receive the rating of Accredited this year.

Dr. Arbogast shared statistics with board members about the summer food program. This summer, we served a total of 10,001 meals to children and adults.

Dr. Arbogast discussed the ShowCase PreK in VA Pilot Program. The pilot program is a unique opportunity for selected VPI+ programs to share promising practices in a particular learning focus area and to foster collaborative learning networks across the Commonwealth. Giles County will host on November 13th, March 6th and March 26th.

Dr. Arbogast reminded everyone about the GEA Town Hall Meeting, which will be held on September 27th from 6 – 7:30 at Macy McClaugherty in the library.

Dr. Arbogast discussed the upcoming budget meetings that will be held in October and November.

Dr. Arbogast thanked Narrows High School for the educational feature.

IN OTHER ACTION...

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the following Volunteer Agreement: Teresa Fletcher – GHS Chaperone, Andrew Eaton – NHS Assistant Golf Coach.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the following Field Trip: NHS/Heather Ursano – October 21-24 to NYC (Theatre), GHS/Dawn Sechrist – April 24-28 to Atlanta GA (Band), GTC/Heidi Sizemore – September 28-29 to Richmond (HOSA).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the following Supplemental Contracts: Babette Martin – Dept. Head Math & Senior Class, Randall Weddle – MACC Social Studies, Jack Ellison – Dept. Head English, Whitney Bowles – Yearbook, Andrew Frazier – SCA & Senior Class, Pam Tegelman-Malabad – MACC Math & MACC All Around, Melanie Atkins – MACC English, Dept. Head English & JR. Class-Prom, Diana Blanton – MACC Science, MACC All Around, MACC Head and Dept. Head Science, Bruce Frazier – Dept. Head Social Studies.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved to uphold the recommendation of EEMS principal and School Board Office administration to deny the transfer of student #1-2018. Mr. Wilburn encouraged the family to reapply for the next school year.

NEXT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The next regular School Board meeting will be held Thursday, October 18th at 4:00 p.m.

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

Chairman

Clerk