March 21, 2019

The regular meeting of the Giles County School Board was held at 4:00 p.m. on March 21, 2019 in the School Administration Office Building Conference Room. Persons present were:

Melissa R. Guynn  Dr. Terry E. Arbogast II, Superintendent
Phillip A. Pennignton  Richard R. Franklin, Assistant Superintendent
Stephen M. Steele  Amanda J. Tickle, Clerk
Mark A. Wilburn

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Chairman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the Superintendent's March 21, 2019 School Board Meeting Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lieutenant Investigator Mason Boggess with the Giles County Sheriff’s Office attended the meeting to thank the School Board members for their support of the RAD program at the high schools over the years. He stated that at least a hundred ladies go through this class per year at the schools. Mr. Wilburn also thanked Lieutenant Boggess for their time and effort in this program.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

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

A. Meeting Minutes
   1. Regular – February 28th, 2019

B. Financial Data
   1. Payrolls to include February 28th, 2019 and March 15th, 2019
   2. Payment of Bills
   3. February 2018 Revenue and Expenditure Reports
   4. Field Trip Requests
   5. Surplus
   6. Appropriation Request for April 2019

TO: Christopher McKlarney
   Interim Administrator for Giles County
FR: Dr. Terry E. Arborgast, II
   Division Superintendent
RE: April 2019 Appropriation

The following is the appropriation request for the month of April 2019. This is for the tenth 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: $ 2,369,951.67

Total: $ 2,369,951.67

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. If you have questions, please feel free to let me know.

EDUCATIONAL FEATURE

Mrs. Lisa Mustain, Ms. Mandy Havens, Mrs. Michelle Lucas, Mrs. Tanis Campbell, Mr. Jason Campbell, Carrie Havens and several students attended the meeting on behalf of Macy McLaugherthy School. Ms. Havens gave an overview of what technology the teachers are using in their classrooms. Mrs. Havens demonstrated how she is using technology for her students. She then had school board members play a game with the students called “Are you smarter than a 3rd grader?” Mr. Campbell then played a game with board members and students using different technology.

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 Volunteer Agreements: James Helton – NHS Assistant Middle School Track Coach, Andy Eaton – NHS Tennis...

3. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, confirmed the following **Employment**: Transfer of Katie Ponzio from MMS to EEMS Elementary Teacher (19-20 school year), Loya Love – MMS Teacher Assistant (3/1/19).

4. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the following **Athletic Coaching Contracts**: James Welch – NHS Assistant Soccer Coach, Victoria Tamburrino – NHS Co-Head Varsity Track, Ben Woodyard – NHS Co-Head Varsity Track Coach.

B. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved policy revisions as recommended by VSBA and Administration.

C. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved a resolution to name Cogar Manufacturing to the 2019 VSBA Business Honor Roll.

**CONCERNS/COMMENTS**

Mr. Pennington thanked the Macy teachers and students for doing the educational feature.

Mrs. Guynn thanked the individuals who presented and spoke at the most recent extended work session.

Mrs. Guynn commended Morgan Ralph and Savannah Spencer for their recent regional governor’s school awards.

Mrs. Guynn commended the NHS and GHS national honor society inductees.

Mr. Wilburn stated that the board misses Mr. Ballard being here and wish him the best with his health.

Board members stated that they are thankful that the bus accident wasn’t any worse than what it was.

Mr. Steele stated that GHS has been super busy with spring sports starting. It’s great seeing all the kids out there! We have a lot of dedicated people out there.

Mr. Steele mentioned the compensation committee and stated that everyone met this week to figure out how the 5% increase will be distributed.

Mr. Steele thanked the Sheriff’s Office for how they handled an incident with a student at one of our schools.

Mr. Steele stated that there will be 600 VT cadets being transported to Glen Lyn on Saturday to run the muddy ACCE race course.

Mr. Steele discussed and commended a newsletter that was sent home to students at GHS.

Dr. Arbogast stated that enrollment as of today is 2,340.

Dr. Arbogast recognized the students who won awards at the District SkillsUSA competition.

Dr. Arbogast recognized the students who received awards at the State HOSA competition.

Dr. Arbogast recognized the NHS archery team. They went to the state competition 2 weeks ago and they finished 5th in 3D and 6th in Bullseye. Congratulations to them!
Dr. Arbogast commended GHS and NHS FBLA students for their awards during the district competition.

Dr. Arbogast reminded board members about the upcoming STEMposium on April 24th at Giles High School.

**IN OTHER ACTION...**

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, approved the following Resignations:
Hannah Staples – GHS Biology Teacher (end 18-19), Sharon Farmer – Special Education Secretary (6/30/19).

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the following Retirement:
Michele Thompson – Director of Special Education (1/1/20).

The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Wilburn and unanimous voting, approved the rollover of RFP #6-2015 (Pest Management Services). The bid is currently with Dodson Bros. Exterminating Company.

The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the rollover of RFP #8 2015 (Wrecker Services). The bid is currently with Lee’s Body Shop.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the rollover of RFP #9 2015 (School Account Auditing Services). The bid is currently with Robinson, Farmer, Cox and Associates.

The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the following graduation dates:
GHS – 6/6
NHS – 6/7

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next School Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, April 17th, 2019 at 4 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                                     Clerk