June 12, 2019

A special meeting of the Giles County School Board was held at 3:00 p.m. on June 12, 2019 in the School Administration Office Building Conference Room. No closed meeting was held. 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
Richard R. Franklin

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the Superintendent's June 12, 2019 School Board Meeting Agenda.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

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

A. Meeting Minutes
   1. Regular – May 15th, 2019
   2. Special – May 8th, 2019

B. Financial Data
   1. Payroll – May 31st and June 14th, 2019
   2. Title Grants

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 Resignations: Morgan Dowdy – EEMS Guidance (end 18-19), Mary Dobbins – MMS Teacher Assistant (6/6/19), Diane Breedlove – MMS School Nurse (6/6/19), Stacy Poff – GHS Math Teacher (6/6/19)

2. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Pennington, with second by Mrs. Guynn and unanimous voting, confirmed the following Retirement: Sharon Farmer – 6/30/19

3. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Steele and unanimous voting, approved the following Employment: Byron Brown – NHS Bookkeeper (6/24/19), Bethany Lephew – MMS Special Education Teacher (19-20), Amanda Spicer – NEMS Cafeteria Worker (19-20), Shanel Hairston – MMS Elementary Teacher (19-20), Kelcie Lowe – EEMS Elementary Teacher (19-20), Andrea Church – EEMS Cafeteria Worker (19-20)

4. The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved Mrs. Lawson entering into a contract with Hooten Equipment for services specified in the bid OWPR released for the NEMS dishwasher. There was only one bid and it came back at $39,932 which includes a 5 year full warranty on parts/labor. Our maintenance department has 5 years to learn how to service the new dishwasher and they will be contacted to shadow the installation and service. Also, the School Board approved Mrs. Lawson using Hooten Equipment for some general contracting jobs around this new dishwasher (knocking out part of the wall to install a window, adding a drain, and adding a water fountain).

B. The School Board, on motion of Mr. Wilburn, with second by Mr. Pennington 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. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the Chair and Vice-Chair as the Delegate and Alternate for the 2019 VSBA Annual Convention.

The School Board, on motion of Mrs. Guynn, with second by Mr. Pennington and unanimous voting, approved the 2019-20 operating and flow through budget amount of $28,693,889 and the revenue operating budget of $26,083,041. The County funding will be $7,942,405. The budget does include a 5%
salary increases for all classifications except teachers, and teachers have a minimum of 5% and is based on years of experience. There is local match funding for the VPI+ funding, which is $63,288. Also, there is $43,750 under the facilities, which is the local match for the school security grant, which will allow us to apply for $175,000 in the grant. The e-rate carryover is also included. A copy of the proposed salary scales were given to school board members. Mr. Steele stated that if we have any carry over money, that we keep the pressure on trying to get the floors and track done. Mr. Steele stated that he would really like to have a quote on taking the floors down to the wood.

Dr. Arbogast stated that we had a request for transportation from NRVCS to have one of our buses transport students to an event on Friday, July 19th in Radford. They will pay for fuel and the driver’s salary. The board is comfortable with this request.

Dr. Arbogast stated that looking at preliminary SOL results, everything looks promising.

Dr. Arbogast stated that he is trying to gather information from NHS regarding them putting together an educational foundation. He hopes to discuss this more at the June 27th board meeting. In addition, he has reached out to counsel regarding the foundation.

Dr. Arbogast had a discussion about the July 4th holiday. He stated that state employees were granted July 5th as time off, so he wanted to make sure that the board is comfortable with giving 12 month employees July 5th as well for the holiday. The school board is comfortable with giving 12 month employees July 5th off as well.

Mr. Steele stated that he would like to look into the facility scope of services/evaluation more. He plans to send it back out to board members to review.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next School Board Meeting will be held Thursday, June 27th, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

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