

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Thursday, August 6, 2009
5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Carl Jackson, Chairman
Charlie Collins, Vice-Chairman
Linda Cross
H. Thomas Griffith
Robert O. Hillman

ABSENT: Fayrene Plaster

Mr. Carl Jackson, Chairman, called the August 6, 2009, board meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Collins, the Board voted unanimously to go into executive session under Code 2.2-3711 (A)(1) Personnel, Code 2.2-3711 (A)(7) Consultation with Legal Counsel, and Code 2.2-3711 (A)(4) Protect the Privacy of Individuals.

After approximately one hour and forty-five minutes in executive session, upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board voted unanimously to go back into regular session.

Mr. Collins read the following certification motion: "Mr. Chairman, I move to certify that to the best of our knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion to go into executive session were heard, discussed or considered in executive session." The motion was seconded by Mr. Griffith.

The roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS:	Mr. Collins Mrs. Cross Mr. Griffith Mr. Hillman Mr. Jackson	NAYS:	None
		ABSTENTIONS:	None

Mr. Jackson asked that the minutes of the July 20, 2009, special meeting be corrected to reflect that Mr. Bob Keene will donate up to \$8,500 of the money he receives as a Board of Supervisors member to help replace the carpet in the Library at Honaker Elementary School. Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board unanimously approved the corrected minutes of the July 2, 2009, regular and July 20, 2009 special school board meetings.

Upon motion made by Mr. Hillman and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board unanimously approved the August bills numbered 875307-875420, 55552-55771, 646109-

646113, 646044-646060, 646114-646121, 646062-646108, 646122-646323, and 657 in the amount of \$2,192,658.16 to be distributed as follows:

County School Operating	-	Payroll	\$ 789,715.96
County School Operating	-	Bills	\$1,305,406.91
County School Operating	-	Title 1 Payroll	\$ 46,543.42
County School Operating	-	Title 1 Bills	\$ 28,657.14
School Food Program	-	Payroll	\$ 0.00
School Food Program	-	Bills	\$ 22,334.73

Mr. Jackson informed the audience that a decision would not be made regarding Teacher A at this board meeting. A decision would be made within 30 days.

The Board recognized Jordan Elizabeth Banner from Castlewood High School and John Joseph Musick from Honaker High School for being named as valedictorian at their respective schools.

The Board recognized Katherine Smith, student from Lebanon High School, for being selected to the VHSCA All-State Girls' Softball Team.

Also recognized by the Board was Cody Compton, student from Lebanon High School, for being selected to the VHSCA All-State Boys' Baseball Team.

Mr. David Cozzolino updated the Board on the progress of the renovations at Belfast, Givens, and Copper Creek Elementary Schools. There are still some things that need to be completed at each school before school can start. Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Collins, the Board voted unanimously to postpone the opening of school at Belfast, Givens, and Copper Creek Elementary Schools until August 24, 2009.

Mr. Dan Glass presented the Crisis Plan for all schools in the Russell County School System. Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board unanimously approved the Crisis Plan as presented by Mr. Glass.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board voted unanimously to become a member of the Southwest Virginia Title III Consortium.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board unanimously approved the following resignations:

Rebecca Blevins as Scholastic Bowl Coach at Lebanon High School, effective the 2009-2010 school year;

Pamela Davidson, instructional aide at Lebanon Elementary School, effective immediately;

Jodi Harman as part-time reading/math intervention teacher at Cleveland Elementary School, effective immediately;

Rick Meade as school bus driver, effective immediately;

Wayne Rasnick as varsity assistant baseball coach at Castlewood High School, effective immediately;
Patty Thomas as part-time RTI teacher at Castlewood Elementary School, effective immediately; and

Donna Watson, cafeteria manager at Lebanon Elementary School, effective immediately.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Collins, the Board unanimously approved the following personnel:

appoint Brittany Richardson as a teacher at Belfast/Elk Garden Elementary School, replacing Mary Lee Epling, effective immediately;

appoint Amy Holt as a teacher at Castlewood Elementary School, effective immediately;

appoint Nikki Campbell as a teacher at Castlewood Elementary School, effective immediately;

appoint Melissa Long as a teacher at Castlewood High School, effective immediately;

appoint Miranda Waddell as a Math teacher at Honaker High School, replacing Sheena Edwards, effective immediately;

appoint Elizabeth Collins as a part-time reading intervention teacher at Castlewood Elementary School, effective immediately;

appoint Amy Woods as a PALS/intervention teacher at Cleveland Elementary School, effective immediately;

appoint Randy Cross as a school bus driver, replacing Rick Meade, effective immediately;

appoint Larry McGlothlin as a school bus driver, replacing Evelyn Miller, effective immediately;

appoint Kenneth Meredith as a mini-bus driver, effective immediately;

appoint Nancy Hensley, Tammy Ritchie, Carmie Peck, Jim Williams, Gene Helton, Janet Stinson, and Eva Stinson as drivers for the Career & Technology runs for the 2009-2010 school year;

appoint Gary Fife, Reda Tolba, and Frankie Smith as drivers for the Cleveland runs for the 2009-2010 school year;

appoint Alice Collins and Hazel Williams as drivers for the Copper Creek runs for the 2009-2010 school year;

appoint Gerald Perkins and Arthur Hicks as fuel attendants for the 2009-2010 school year;

appoint Stephanie Rasnake as a guidance counselor at Lebanon Middle School, effective immediately;

appoint Flora Farmer as cafeteria manager at Lebanon Elementary School, replacing Donna Watson, effective immediately;

appoint Wayne Rasnick as the head softball coach at Castlewood High School for the 2009-2010 season;

appoint Rodney Holbrook as assistant football coach at Castlewood High School for the 2009-2010 season;

appoint Aaron Woods as assistant football coach at Castlewood High School for the 2009-2010 season;

appoint Vickie Blankenship as a business teacher at Honaker High School, replacing Terri Hill Funk, effective immediately;

appoint Ben Campbell as a physical education teacher at Lebanon Elementary School, effective immediately;

appoint Tonia Blevins as a part-time cafeteria worker at Lebanon Elementary School, effective immediately;

appoint Lisa Shaver and Chris Musick as part-time cafeteria workers at Lebanon Primary School, effective immediately;

appoint John Bartee as assistant football coach at Honaker High School, replacing Terry Honaker, effective immediately;

appoint Betty Davis as part-time Reading intervention teacher at Honaker Elementary School, effective immediately;

appoint Brenda Rutherford as a part-time PALS teacher at Honaker Elementary School, effective September 15, 2009;

transfer Tracy Hall from physical education teacher at Lebanon Primary School to physical education teacher at Lebanon Elementary School, effective immediately;

transfer Ben Campbell from physical education teacher at Lebanon Elementary School to physical education teacher at Lebanon Primary School, effective immediately; and

appoint Tiffany Ward as teacher at Cleveland Elementary School, effective immediately.

Upon motion made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board voted unanimously that Teacher B be suspended without pay until further notice.

Upon motion made by Mr. Hillman and seconded by Mr. Collins, the Board voted unanimously to increase substitute instructional aide pay from \$41.00 a day to \$48.00 per day to meet the minimum wage requirements.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following resignations:

Terry Honaker as assistant football coach at Honaker High School, effective immediately; and

Ray Mullins as assistant football coach at Castlewood High School, effective immediately.

Several members of the audience spoke in support of Teacher A.

Dr. Turner reported the sales tax for the month as \$227,638.46.

Ms. Tammy Caldwell informed the Board that the Food Program had a positive balance of \$5,856.22 at the end of the 2008-2009 school year.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the ARRA funds application.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board voted unanimously to continue the August 6, 2009, meeting to August 13, 2009, at 10:00 a. m. at Lebanon High School in the conference room.

Chairman

Clerk