

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Thursday, September 2, 2010
5:30 p.m.

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

Mr. Carl Jackson, Chairman, called the September 2, 2010, board meeting to order at 5:30 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 and Code 2.2-3711 (A)(7) Consultation with Legal Counsel.

After approximately one hour and fifteen 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. Hillman.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the August 5, 2010, regular and the August 19, 2010, continued meetings.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Plaster and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board unanimously approved the September bills numbered 650120-650169, 880716-880813, 61189-61356, 650170-650174, 650175-650424, and 685-688 in the amount of \$2,193,274.49 to be distributed as follows:

County School Operating	-	Payroll	\$ 778,265.83
County School Operating	-	Bills	\$1,316,524.98

County School Operating	- Title 1 Payroll	\$	21,988.90
County School Operating	- Title 1 Bills	\$	16,461.93
School Food Program	- Payroll	\$	0.00
School Food Program	- Bills	\$	60,032.85

Mr. Larry Rasnake, Principal at Cleveland Elementary School, appeared before the Board to announce that Cleveland Elementary School has been selected as a Blue Ribbon School Program. The Blue Ribbon program is a United States Department of Education program honoring schools across the nation that demonstrate academic excellence in the top ten percent of the state's scores as well as schools that meet over 40 percent disadvantaged children. Mr. Rasnake asked the Board to pay for the expenses for him and Ruth Elam to travel to Washington DC to accept the award. Upon motion made Mr. Griffith and seconded by Mrs. Cross, the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Rasnake's request for funds for the trip.

Mr. Bobby Justus, Russell County Environmental Control and Recycling Coordinator, presented the School Beautiful Awards. The following schools won the awards:

- 1st Place High School Category – Lebanon High School
- 2nd Place High School Category – Honaker High School
- 1st Place Elementary/Middle Category – Honaker Elementary School
- 2nd Place Elementary/Middle Category – Copper Creek Elementary School

Mr. Justus also announced the plastic bag recycling contest winner as Lebanon Primary School. The school will receive a bench as their prize.

The Board recognized Ethan Collins, student from Castlewood High School, and Savannah Horn, student from Honaker High School, for being selected as valedictorians for 2009-2010.

The Board also recognized Cleveland Elementary School and Lebanon Elementary School for earning the distinction of Title I Distinguished Schools for the 2009-2010 school year.

Also recognized by the Board were the following students from Lebanon High School for the 2010 Residential Governor's School:

- Chad Howard – Radford University – Humanities
- Acacia Howington – Radford University – Theatre
- Rachel Fugate – Lynchburg College – Math/Science/Technology
- Kelsey Sykes – Radford University – Vocal/Music

The Board recognized Tom Harding for his 500th career win as Honaker High School's baseball Coach.

The Board also recognized Derrick Murphy and Zach Bailey for being named to the 2010 VHSCA All-State Group A Baseball Team.

Mr. David Cozzolino appeared before the Board to inform them that Mountain States Health Alliance has informed him that Russell County Medical Center will no

longer be a member of the USA/MCO group effective October 1, 2010. RCMC will then be a Tier 3 benefit with higher deductibles and out of pocket limits. Mr. Cozzolino has been working with Mountain States Health Alliance to keep RCMC as a Tier 1 benefit. He requested a continued meeting later in September to address the issue.

Mr. Dan Glass informed the Board that the Crisis Plans for each school have been certified.

The Board conducted the second reading of Policy IKE: Promotion and Retention Guidelines. Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Plaster, Policy IKE was unanimously approved.

The Board conducted the first reading of Policy KN: Sex Offender Registry Notification. Registered sex offenders must have the approval of the School Board to be on school property. Mr. Collins felt that there should be guidelines in place for the Board to consider before allowing the offenders on school property. He suggested that Mr. Glass work with the Superintendent and other Central Office personnel as well as Ben Chafin, School Board Attorney, to develop the guidelines.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board unanimously approved the Annual Report on Gifted Education for the 2009-2010 school year.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Plaster and seconded by Mrs. Cross, the Board voted unanimously to approve the resignation of Tracey Wright, business teacher at Honaker High School, effective immediately.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Plaster, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following personnel:

appoint Brian Keith Harris as Stem teacher at Cleveland Elementary, Elk Garden Elementary, and Givens Elementary Schools for the 2010-2011 school year, replacing Colby Jordon, effective immediately;

appoint Teresa Dotson as a part-time (5 ½ hours per week) cafeteria worker at Copper Creek Elementary School and three hours per week at Copper Creek Elementary School to assist in the food preparation and distribution of the USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program;

appoint Tony Bailey as eighth grade boys' basketball coach at Honaker High School for the 2010-2011 school year;

appoint Adam Hubbard as an assistant varsity football coach at Honaker High School for the 2010-2011 school year;

appoint David Bostic as business teacher at Honaker High School, replacing Tracey Wright, effective immediately;

appoint David Bostic as boys' junior varsity basketball coach, eighth grade baseball coach, and yearbook sponsor for the 2010-2011 school year;

appoint Crystal Dishman as a part-time Pre-K aide at Copper Creek Elementary School, effective the 2010-2011 school year;

appoint Joanie Griffith as a part-time (20 hours per week) aide at Givens Elementary School, effective the 2010-2011 school year; and

appoint Philisha Rasnake as a part-time aide for a special needs student at Givens Elementary School, effective immediately.

The sales tax for the month was \$299,680.98.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Plaster and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board unanimously approved Kevin Fitzsimmons as a volunteer assistant football coach at Lebanon High School for the 2010-2011 season.

Mr. Jackson directed Mr. Harry Steffey, Director of Personnel, to prepare a list of part-time people by category with their school and number of years of part-time experience so the list can be used to advertise in house for full-time positions for which those individuals are qualified.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board voted unanimously to approve a \$2,500 supplement to be paid at the payroll before Christmas vacation for the two library aides at Cleveland and Copper Creek Elementary Schools.

Upon motion made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mrs. Cross, the Board voted unanimously to continue the September 2, 2010, meeting to September 16, 2010, at 4:30 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk