

PUBLIC HEARING
Thursday, March 1, 2012
4:00 p.m.

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

ABSENT: Robert O. Hillman

Mr. Carl Jackson, Chairman, opened the public hearing on the budget at 4:00 p.m.

Ms. Susan Black, President of the RCEA, encouraged the Board to ask the Board of Supervisors to fund a raise for the school employees for the upcoming year. She stated that the Board of Supervisors had made statements in reference to the fact that every time the school board had asked for additional money, it had been given.

Mrs. Glenda Johnson also encouraged the Board to ask the Board of Supervisors for a raise.

Ms. Shelly Yarber expressed a need for competitive salaries and stated that the state of Virginia has one of the lowest average teacher salaries in the nation.

Mr. Larry Rasnake, Principal at Cleveland Elementary School, requested a special education teacher at his school.

Mr. Tony Dodi, Principal at Lebanon High School, presented the Board with a list of budget requests for Lebanon High. The list includes a conversion to the current HVAC system to incorporate gas power and replacing over 60 heat pumps in the building, repair brick work around building, upgrade lighting in the building, and replace panic bars on exit doors.

The public hearing was closed at 4:48.

Chairman

Clerk