

CONTINUED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Thursday, May 17, 2012

5:00 p.m.

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

Mr. Carl Jackson, Chairman, called the May 17, 2012, continued board meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Eddie Greene from Russell County Medical Center appeared before the Board to request a dual Tier I benefit structure for the employee health insurance. He presented the Board with a letter of support from Dave Leonard and with a petition that he says contains over 300 signatures in support of RCMC and Mountain States Health Alliance being a dual Tier I benefit structure.

Upon motion made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mrs. Cross, the Board voted unanimously to allow the Superintendent to interview the applicants that have applied for the Special Education Supervisor position and to appoint Mr. Mike Puckett, Dr. Brenda Hess, and Ms. Penny Hudson to a committee to interview the applicants.

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

the retirement of Susan M. Breeding, librarian at Lebanon High School, effective July 1, 2012;

the resignation of Debra Elam as the cafeteria manager at Castlewood Combined Cafeteria, effective August, 2012;

the retirement of Gail S. Gilbert, library aide at Lebanon High School, effective July 1, 2012;

the resignation of Judy Marshall, part-time cook at Copper Creek Elementary School, effective March 12, 2012;

the retirement of Linda Rasnake, cafeteria manager at Cleveland Elementary School, effective July 1, 2012;

the retirement of Linda Stevens, instructional aide at Lebanon High School, effective July 1, 2012; and

the retirement of Barbara A. Vance, teacher at Honaker High School, effective July 1, 2012.

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

appoint Frankie Elam as nurse for the 21st Century summer program at Castlewood Elementary School;

appoint Ashley Worley as cook for the 21st Century summer program at Castlewood High School;

appoint Dennis Price as coordinator; Jan Fuller, Lori Stoots, Jennifer Owens, Reece Henry, Rebecca Carter, Suzanne Smith, Kristi Clark, Alisha Powers, and Cecille Lawson as teachers; Tiny Shortridge as nurse, Flora Farmer, Melissa Kinder, and Debbie Hess as aides/cafeteria workers for the 21st Century summer program at Lebanon Elementary School;

appoint Shelly Yarber as teacher for the 21st Century summer program at Lebanon Primary School;

appoint Vanessa Ball and Sharon Dye as aides for the Even Start summer program at Givens Elementary School; and

transfer Eileene Boothe from ½ day teacher at Castlewood High School and ½ day teacher at Honaker High School to full day at Honaker High School beginning with the 2012-2013 school year.

Mr. Ben Chafin, school board attorney, advised the Board that if schools were to be closed a public hearing would have to be held. The public hearing would have to be held 10 days after it was advertised. He advised that if more than one school was being discussed, then the Board should have separate hearings for each school.

Upon motion made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board set a public hearing to discuss closing Cleveland Elementary School, Elk Garden Elementary School, and Swords Creek Elementary School on June 5, 2012, beginning at 5:30 p.m. with a maximum of one hour for discussion per school.

The Board then discussed the possibility of Givens Elementary School being closed instead of Swords Creek Elementary School. Mr. Collins made a motion to amend his previous motion to include Givens Elementary School in the public hearing. The motion died for lack of a second.

Upon motion made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board voted unanimously to rescind the motion to conduct a public hearing for closing the three schools.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board voted unanimously to have Mr. Cozzolino and the maintenance crew to check the buildings at Swords Creek and Givens Elementary Schools and make a recommendation to the Board regarding which school should be closed.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, 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 fifty minutes in executive session, upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, 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:	Mr. Collins	NAYS:	None
	Mrs. Cross		
	Mrs. Garrett		
	Mr. Griffith		
	Mr. Hillman		
	Mr. Jackson		
	Mrs. Plaster	ABSTENTIONS:	None

Mr. Collins made the following motion, "I move that this Board decide that the decision to award the contract to Highlands Wellmont Health Network was made based upon erroneous procedures and that the award was arbitrary." The motion was seconded by Mrs. Plaster and unanimously approved by the Board.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Plaster, the Board voted unanimously to continue the May 17, 2012, meeting to Tuesday, May 22, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.

Chairman

Clerk