

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Thursday, March 7, 2013
5:00 p.m.

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

Mr. Charlie Collins, Chairman, called the March 7, 2013, board meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

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.

Mrs. Plaster left the meeting during executive session.

After approximately one hour and forty-five 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. Jackson 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. Jackson	NAYS:	None
	Mr. Hillman		
	Mr. Griffith		
	Mrs. Garrett		
	Mrs. Cross		
	Mr. Collins	ABSTENTIONS:	None

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board unanimously accepted the resignation of Mrs. Fayrene Plaster as a School Board Member effective immediately. The Board expressed their appreciation to Mrs. Plaster for serving on the Board for 17 years.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2013, regular meeting and the February 19, 2013, continued meeting.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Jackson, the Board unanimously approved the March bills numbered 892190-892565, 75463-75982, 659034-659043, 75983-75986, 75456-75462, 658971-659033, 659044-659251, and 759-761 in the amount of \$3,489,966.05 to be distributed as follows:

County School Operating	-	Payroll	\$2,513,505.04
County School Operating	-	Bills	\$ 642,184.14
County School Operating	-	Title 1 Payroll	\$ 162,206.61
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School Food Program	-	Payroll	\$ 79,632.39
School Food Program	-	Bills	\$ 87,493.58

Mr. Scott Evans from Northrop Grumman appeared before the Board to present a \$10,000 contribution for wireless upgrades for the school system.

The Board recognized Cleveland Elementary School for being selected as a 2013 Title I Distinguished School by the Virginia Department of Education.

The Board was presented with the district accreditation for the county from AdvanceEd.

The Board also recognized the LPN Program of the Russell County Career and Technology Center for receiving complete approval and certification by the Virginia State Board of Nursing.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Jackson, the Board unanimously approved the second reading of the following policies: EBA, JHCB, AC, JB, GBA/JFHA, GB, JHCD, EBBA, JHC, JHG, and GBAF/JFHA-F. (Attachments #1 - #11)

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board unanimously approved the Local Special Education Plan and Report.

Ms. Angie Farmer presented the Board with an update on the Medicaid billing and how the monies are being spent.

Mrs. Katrina Hale presented the Board with a projected revenue breakdown for the 2013-2014 school year. There is a decrease in the revenue from the figures that were previously distributed.

Dr. Hess presented the School Nutrition Financial Report.

Dr. Hess reminded the Board of the VSBA Hot Topic Conference that will be held on March 20, 2013, in Wytheville.

Dr. Hess informed the Board that the 2013 VSBA Southwest Regional Forum will be held on May 9, 2013, in Bristol.

Upon motion made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board unanimously approved the resignation of Traci Cordle as special education teacher at Honaker High School, effective March 29, 2013.

Upon motion made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Hillman, the Board unanimously approved the following personnel:

appoint Phillip Justin Meade and Kelly Dorsey Ruff as volunteer tennis coaches at Castlewood High School for the 2012-2013 season;

appoint Brandon Taylor as assistant varsity baseball coach for the 2013 season at Honaker High School, effective immediately; and

transfer Leigh Dye from teacher at Honaker Elementary School to special education teacher at Honaker High School, replacing Traci Cordle, effective March 29, 2013.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board unanimously approved a field trip for Castlewood Elementary School's STEM program to go to Kentucky.

The sales tax for the month is \$372,447.22.

Upon motion made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mrs. Cross, the Board unanimously appointed Marcus Dunham as a volunteer baseball coach at Honaker High School, effective immediately.

Dr. Hess informed the Board that as of March 7, 2013, there have been 11 days of school missed due to inclement weather. Several possible make up days were discussed. However, no decision was made regarding make up days.

Mrs. Cross made a motion to have a continued meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. and that the regular April meeting be moved to April 11, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. for executive session and 6:30 p.m. for regular session.

Mrs. Cross amended her previous motion to have a continued meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Garrett seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Larry Rasnake, Transportation Supervisor, appeared before the Board to request permission to purchase five school buses from next year's budget. Upon motion made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mrs. Cross, the Board voted unanimously to give Mr. Rasnake permission to go ahead and order the buses.

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	Mr. Griffith		
	Mrs. Garrett		
	Mrs. Cross	ABSTENTIONS:	None
	Mr. Collins		

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, the Board voted unanimously to continue the March 7, 2013, meeting to March 14, 2013, at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk