

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

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

ABSENT: Robert O. Hillman

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

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Griffith, 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 thirty minutes in executive session, upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Jackson, 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. Griffith.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2013, regular meeting.

Upon motion made by Mr. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Griffith, the Board unanimously approved the December bills numbered 895433-895439, 895443-895758, 895761-895762, 79599-80096, 79592-79598, 80097-80108, 661344, 661271-661343, 661345-661352, 1001-1002, 661353, 661365-661508, and 768-769 in the amount of \$3,659,264.50 to be distributed as follows:

County School Operating	- Payroll	\$2,547,654.30
County School Operating	- Bills	\$ 788,867.55
County School Operating	- Title 1 Payroll	\$ 138,919.20
County School Operating	- Title 1 Bills	\$ 1,553.60
School Food Program	- Payroll	\$ 83,132.14
School Food Program	- Bills	\$ 99,137.71

Dr. Thomas Graves, Principal at Castlewood High School, appeared before the Board to inform them that the softball field at Castlewood High School needs to be repaired. The areas that need work are the backstop, fencing, and the dugouts leaking. Mr. Johnny Fleming and Mr. Kevin Stapleton have agreed to perform the repairs on the dugouts free of charge, but they need approval from the Board before they can begin work.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Bostic, the Board voted unanimously to allow Mr. Fleming and Mr. Stapleton to work with Dr. Graves and Mr. Joey Long on the softball field after they provide a certificate of insurance.

The Board conducted the second reading of policies CBG, CH, EA, EB, EBB, EBBA, EBCB, GA, GBL, GBLA, GBMA, GBMA-R, GCB, GCDA, GCG, GCI, GCL, GCN, GCPA, GCPD, GCPF, IKFA, JEB, JEC, JEC-R, JFC, JFC-R, JFCE, JGD/JGE, JHCD, AND JOH. (Attachments # 1 – 31)

Mrs. Katrina Hale presented the School Nutrition Financial Report.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, the Board unanimously approved the resignation of Richard Nash, custodian at Lebanon High School, effective December 1, 2013.

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

appoint Ryan Markem as the junior varsity baseball coach at Castlewood High School for the 2013-2014 season;

appoint the following as volunteer coaches at Castlewood High School for the 2013-2014 season: Casey Ruff and Lorren Evans as varsity girls' basketball coaches; Johnny Fleming as varsity softball coach, Drew Stanley as junior varsity baseball coach; and Trevor Belcher and Jason Ring as wrestling coaches.

appoint David Franklin as the auto mechanics instructor at the Russell County Career and Technology Center, replacing Anthony Blevins, effective immediately;

appoint David Gilmer as the JAG Coordinator at the Russell County Career and Technology Center for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year;

appoint Haga Statzer as custodian at Lebanon High School, replacing Richard Nash, effective immediately; and

transfer Kathy Rhea as joint ITRT teacher and placement director at the Russell County Career and Technology Center for the remainder of the school year

through June 30, 2014, and her salary be increased to an 11 month position with a 5% stipend.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mrs. Garrett, the Board unanimously approved advertising for the following positions: a Kindergarten teacher at Givens Elementary School and possible other elementary teaching positions district wide, assistant principal at Castlewood Elementary School, and the Spanish teacher at Lebanon High School. These advertisements will also be placed in the Bristol Herald Courier.

Dr. Brenda Hess presented information that has been gathered by the Central Office on attendance, enrollment, and budget.

Since several students have been lost to home schooling or private schools, Mr. Collins asked if it would be possible to meet with those parents and see why they had left the public school system.

Mr. Joey Long presented the Board with the findings from the committee meeting regarding the proposed Frisbee Golf Course at Lebanon Primary School. No action was taken.

Mr. Long informed the Board that the Castlewood Water Authority wants to assume ownership of the water wells at Cleveland Elementary and Copper Creek Elementary Schools. After discussion of several issues The School Board Attorney informed the Board that the Water Authority's Articles of Amendment say they can't operate outside the Castlewood Magisterial district. The Board decided to table the request until additional information can be obtained.

The Board once again discussed the issue of heating the building at Cleveland Elementary School so outside agencies can continue to use it. Mrs. Katrina Hale informed the Board that since Cleveland Elementary School has been closed, a balance remains in their school funds account. She suggested that these funds could possibly be used to pay for electricity and coal for outside agencies to use the building.

Mr. Long informed the Board that since the insurance company approved the power to be turned off at Elk Garden Elementary School, it has been done except for one meter that was for a street light. Mr. Long also said that the refrigerators and freezers have been moved to Cleveland to be plugged up to keep them running for later use.

The sales tax for the month is \$331,572.00.

Mr. Jackson informed the Board that several teachers at the Russell County Career and Technology Center had requested that the Board along with Dr. Hess come to the school to visit the various programs that are offered there.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Cross and seconded by Mr. Jackson, the Board voted unanimously to continue the December 5, 2013, meeting to December 19, 2013, at 3:30 p.m. at the School Board Office.

Chairman

Clerk