

PRINCIPALS' MEETING
MAY 3, 2006 – 9:00 A.M.
CENTRAL OFFICE

Present were:

Ann Abel	Janet Lester
Debbie Anderson	Jason Lester
Darrell Blankenship	Gary McCool
Pat Buchanan	Lisa McCoy
Bo Catron	Amy Merrihue
Melissa Caudill	Belinda Mullins
Berkley Clear	Foney Mullins
Andy Cox	Jeff Noe
Beverley Fifer	Keith Perrigan
Joe Gorkowski	Connie Phillips
Tom Graves	Randy Poole
Francine Ivery	Sharon Rainey
Fred Keller	Pat Sorah
Jimmy King	Doug Sparks
Sherry King	Marie Stanley
Alan Lee	Teresa Turner
	Tom Williams

Dr. Lee welcomed the group. He asked Ms. Merrihue to give an update on testing.

Ms. Merrihue said that as of today, some SOL tests have not been received. Testing is scheduled to begin on Monday, May 8. The tests are ready for shipment; however, they have not yet shipped due to a delay with Harcourt. This is a statewide problem. She said that elementary schools should be prepared Monday or Tuesday with paper and pencil. Guidance Counselors should be informed that they will receive a call as soon as the tests arrive. Upon arrival, the tests will be counted, and each school will be responsible for picking them up. Subs should be kept on standby to help with testing. There is an approximate three-week turn over to get scores back.

Dr. Lee informed them he had been attending breakfast meetings with the Board of Supervisors members, and he is hearing positive comments about the schools. The School Board members approved spending approximately \$800,000 for the following:

- Science Supplies & Equipment \$ 40,000
- Fire-Proof File Cabinets 32,000
- Data Storage Cabinets 10,000

• Accounting Software	6,000
• High Point Boiler	65,000
• Watauga, Rhea Valley & Damascus Heat/AC Units	200,000
• Meadowview Gym Floor	45,000
• AHS Football Field Parking	90,000
• JSBHS Track	85,000
• PHHS Parking	59,000
• HHS Parking	104,000

He asked them to tell him projects that are not listed which they feel are necessary. Responses were:

- Dr. Clear: Money for non-core books to replace on cycle.
- Mr. Williams: Two drivers' education cars (could use four).
- Mr. Perrigan: Wireless PDAs, resurfacing of PHHS track, new bleachers in PHHS gym.
- Mr. Noe: Widen west end exit at AHS.
- Mr. Poole: Science lab tables need work at JSB.
- Ms. Fifer: Resurface parking lot at Valley Institute.
- Mr. Keller: Replace carpet in the classroom with tile. Need bleachers in the gym at Wallace Middle.
- Ms. Turner: Tile in music room & resurface parking lot at Greendale.
- Ms. Sorah: Additional parking spaces at High Point.
- Ms. Anderson: Widen road going into Rhea Valley and parking lot.
- Mr. King: Storage space for supplies at Holston.

Dr. Lee informed them that a balance of approximately \$800,000 to \$1.2 million is anticipated. Phase 1 construction projects have been approved by the state and have been placed on their list of priorities. If we are able to put a million into our capital account, we will have approximately \$1.6 million for necessary projects. He thanked the principals for the good job they are doing and for being frugal with funds, which will allow us to have money for these projects.

Proposed policy, File FC, Bomb Threats was distributed. A book from the Department of State Police entitled Bomb Threat Planning Guide for Educational Facilities was also distributed. Dr. Lee asked them to review the information, to familiarize themselves with the state protocol, and if they have any suggestions, to let him know.

Dr. Clear informed them that the Calendar Cover Contest winner was Breanna Browning of Watauga Elementary School. Each student whose art work is published will receive a certificate.

Each school was provided a packet, which contained information on the history of Bristol, posters and activities that may be of interest to teachers.

He passed out a summer in-service schedule, which was e-mailed to teachers. Some things have been cancelled due to lack of interest, and room assignments have been made. A few activities are available off campus, which will be for credit. Teachers should not drop in workshops unannounced unless they are in the auditorium or a space large enough to accommodate them.

A copy of the Comprehensive Plan (formerly Six-Year Plan) was distributed. This information is also posted on the web page. Progress is reported to the board annually. There is a requirement that special ed programs be evaluated, and someone from Special Ed will meet with principals to review programs.

Ms. Mullins reminded them of the Tech Splash on June 20 and 21 at Patrick Henry High School. Registration may be done online the first week of June.

Benchmark testing was discussed. Approximately seventy teachers, administrators, etc. met last year to create thirty benchmark tests. This year, approximately thirty people will meet to revise the tests. There will be a 10% change in questions. He has asked them to pick three questions to be eliminated and replaced with three new ones. Once they are created, they will be e-mailed to colleagues for input.

The following new policies/regulation were reviewed:

- File FECBA, Energy-Conserving Construction (Dr. Tom Graves)
- File IF, Curriculum Development (Dr. Berkley Clear)
- File IFB, Pilot, Research or Experimental Projects (Dr. Berkley Clear)
- File IIBEA-R, Acceptable Computer System Use (Dr. Alan T. Lee)
- File JEB, Entrance Age/Admission of Persons Not of School Age (Dr. Foney Mullins)
- File JHCB, Student Immunizations (Dr. Foney Mullins)
- File JHC, Student Health Services & Requirements (Dr. Foney Mullins)
- File JFB, Student Involvement in Decision Making (Ms. Belinda Mullins)
- File JFCA, Teacher Removal of Students from Class (Mr. Gary Catron)