

The Washington County School Board convened for a School Board Meeting on Monday, March 4, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the School Board Office, 812 Thompson Drive, Abingdon, Virginia. Mr. Tom Musick, Chair, presided.

Present were:

Dr. Brian C. Ratliff, Superintendent	Dr. Doug Arnold
Ms. Melissa Caudill, Director of Finance & Clerk of the Board	Mr. Billy Brooks
Mr. Tom Musick, Chair	Mr. Sanders Henderson
Mr. Terry Fleenor, Vice Chair	Ms. Elizabeth Lowe
	Mr. Dayton Owens

1. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Tom Musick, School Board Chair.
2. Roll was taken to determine a quorum. Seven of seven board members were present.
3. Dr. Brian Ratliff led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Upon motion by Ms. Lowe, seconded by Mr. Henderson, by 7-0 vote, the agenda was approved as amended.
5. Mr. Musick called for public comment no one came forward to speak.
6. Upon motion by Mr. Fleenor, seconded by Mr. Henderson, by 7-0 vote, the following items were approved on the consent agenda as presented:
 - Minutes of the February 18, 2019, School Board Meeting
 - Bills Dated: 3/4/2019
 - General Fund: \$ 390,000.42
 - 2/22/19 Payroll Warrant: \$ 2,463,742.86
 - File GCB-R, Contracts (Instructional Staff Extended Contracts)
 - FILE IGEA, Adult Basic Education
 - File IHA, Grouping for Instruction
 - File IL, Testing Programs
 - File JGD/JGE, Student Suspension/ Expulsion
 - FILE BBBC, School Board member Oath of Office
 - FILE BBFA, School Board Members Conflict of Interest
 - FILE BDA, Regular School Board Meetings
 - FILE BBD, Board Member Removal from Office
 - FILE BDD, Electronic Participation In Meetings From Remote Locations
 - FILE CBB, Appointment and Term of the Division Superintendent
 - FILE DA, Management of Funds
 - FILE DJ, Small Purchasing
 - FILE GCDA, Effect of Criminal Conviction Or Founded Complaint of Child Abuse or Neglect
7. Dr. Noe presented the 2019-2020 school calendar for approval. Upon motion by Mr. Henderson, second by Mr. Brooks, by 7-0 Vote, the 2019-2020 calendar was approved as presented.
8. Dr. Ratliff presented the Superintendent's Fiscal Year 2020 Estimate of Needs to the School Board for approval. By a 7-0 vote, the Board approved Mr. Brooks motion, seconded by Mr. Fleenor, to approve the Superintendent's Preliminary Statement of Needs for fiscal year 2020 (FY20).

Estimate of Local Funding Needs as follows:

Fund 312 - School General Fund	\$78,284,303
Fund 314 – School Fiscal Agency Fund	2,718,265
Fund 315 - School Textbook Fund	2,137,542
Fund 316 - School Facility Fund	450,000
Fund 317 - School Nutrition Fund	3,991,536
TOTAL	87,581,646

The Schools Board's General Operating Fund Budget request includes increase in local funding of \$725,000 to reinstate instructional funding and of offset state SOQ funding reductions necessary to address compensation and school security. There is a \$5,326 decrease in the Textbook fund's required local match to state funds in FY20.

As the development of the consolidated county CIP plan progressed, this Estimate of Local Funding Needs does not include a local contribution request for the School Facility Fund at this time. Funds 314 and 317 not funded with local contributions for education.

9. Upon motion by Mr. Fleenor, seconded by Mr. Henderson by 7-0 vote, the fund summary financial report was approved as presented.

10. Superintendent Report:

Dr. Ratliff discussed Project Based Learning (PBL) opportunities currently underway. They are currently organizing trips to talk about PBL and looks at ways to implement Project Based Learning in our school system. Dr. Ratliff said that he would be attending along with Dr. Arnold, Ms. Lowe and several others a trip on March 7, 2019, to Henry County high schools to view their project-based learning environment. Dr. Ratliff provided the board a copy of the resolution of the Skilled Trades Training resolution that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors at the meeting on February 26, 2019. He discussed with board members the importance of these programs and finding a balance of student's needs and interest and maintaining these programs. Dr. Ratliff discussed these are gateway programs that will help students recognize their career path opportunities.

11. Upon motion Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Owens, by 7-0 vote, the agenda for March 18, 2019, School Board Meeting was approved as amended.
12. After a motion by Mr. Brooks, seconded by Mr. Henderson, by 7-0 vote, closed session was declared, after a five minute break, pursuant to §2.2-3711 of the *Code of Virginia* to discuss the following:

SECTION 2.2-3711 A (1)

CONSIDER EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL(S):

- Bookkeeper, John S. Battle High School
- Assistant Track Coach, Patrick Henry High School
- Part-Time Bus Driver, Transportation
- Part-Time Bus Driver, Transportation

CONSIDER SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL(S) FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHING

CONSIDER RESIGNATION OF SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL(S):

- Assistant Soccer Coach, High School
- Head Custodian, High School
- Bus Driver, Elementary School

CONSIDER LONG TERM MEDICAL LEAVE OF SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL IN CASES 5-7.

- Case #5, 2018-2019
- Case #6, 2018-2019

- Case #7, 2018-2019

CONSIDER SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL(S) WITH NON-TEACHING ASSIGNMENTS: TO RECEIVE COACHING SUPPLEMENT ONLY AND SUBJECT TO (1) VHSL APPROVAL AND (2) WITHIN NUMBER OF POSITIONS APPROVED FOR COACHING, SECTION 2.2-3711 A(1):

- Head Girls' Tennis Coach, High School
 - Assistant Soccer Coach, High School
 - Assistant Baseball Coach, High School
13. Upon motion by Mr. Brooks, seconded by Ms. Lowe, by 7-0 vote, closed session ended, and the meeting reconvened in regular session.
 14. Upon motion by Mr. Brooks, seconded by Mr. Henderson, by 7-0 vote, closed session was certified pursuant to Section 2.2-3712 of the *Code of Virginia*.
 15. Upon Ms. Lowe, seconded by Mr. Henderson, by 7-0 vote, the following was approved as recommended by the Superintendent:

SECTION 2.2-3711 A (1)

CONSIDER EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL(S):

- Mallory Smith, Bookkeeper, John S. Battle High School, Effective May 1, 2019
 - Brent Swiney, Assistant Track Coach, Patrick Henry High School, Effective February 25, 2019
 - Joseph Varney, Part-Time Bus Driver, Transportation, Effective March 5, 2019
 - William Wyatt, Part-Time Bus Driver, Transportation, Effective March 5, 2019
16. Upon Ms. Lowe, seconded by Mr. Henderson, by 7-0 vote, the following was approved as recommended by the Superintendent:

CONSIDER SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL(S) FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHING:

- Laura Craiger, Associates Degree-Veterinary Science
17. Upon Ms. Lowe, seconded by Mr. Owens, by 6-1-0 vote (Mr. Fleenor opposed) the following was approved as recommended by the Superintendent:
 - Jennifer Ratliff, Bachelor of Science-Elementary Education
 18. Upon Ms. Lowe, seconded by Mr. Henderson, by 7-0 vote, the following was approved as recommended by the Superintendent:

CONSIDER RESIGNATION OF SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL(S):

- Brian Butler, Assistant Soccer Coach, Abingdon High School, Effective February 26, 2019
- Thomas Pennington, Head Custodian, John S. Battle High School, Effective March 8, 2019
- Sabrina Walker, Bus Driver, Greendale Elementary School, Effective February 22, 2019

CONSIDER LONG TERM MEDICAL LEAVE OF SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL IN CASES 5-7.

- Case #5, 2018-2019
- Case #6, 2018-2019
- Case #7, 2018-2019

CONSIDER SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL(S) WITH NON-TEACHING ASSIGNMENTS: TO RECEIVE COACHING SUPPLEMENT ONLY AND SUBJECT TO (1) VHSL APPROVAL AND (2) WITHIN NUMBER OF POSITIONS APPROVED FOR COACHING, SECTION 2.2-3711 A(1):

- James Barker, Head Girls' Tennis Coach, Abingdon High School, Effective February 26, 2019
- Joell Bassett, Assistant Soccer Coach, Patrick Henry High School, Effective February 19, 2019
- Jeffrey Salyers, Assistant Baseball Coach, Patrick Henry High School, Effective February 19, 2019

19. Upon motion by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Brooks, 7-0 vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Tom Musick, Chair
Melvin Caudill, Clerk
Albra Kiser, Recorder

MOTION: Mr. Henderson

SECOND: Mr. Brooks

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, The Washington County School Board has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, §2.2-3712 (D) of the *Code of Virginia* requires a certification by this School Board that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia Law;

WHEREAS, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County School Board hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (I) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia Law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification applies, and (II) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered.

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINED: 0


Washington County School Board, Clerk

Meeting Date: March 4, 2019