

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE GALAX CITY SCHOOL BOARD HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2016, AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE GALAX HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY. PRESENT: MR. RAYMOND E. KOHL, CHAIRMAN; DR. JAMES G. ADAMS, VICE-CHAIRMAN; F. STEWART MERDIAN, HELEN O. KYLE, W. LARRY SPANGLER, MEMBERS; BILL H. STURGILL, DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT; REBECCA W. CARDWELL, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT; KARA D. GRAHAM, CLERK OF THE BOARD.

School administrators in attendance were Jeff Sharpe, Justin Iroler, Derrick Spence, Kristie Legg, and Matthew Cornett. Others in attendance were teachers, community members, and a member of the press.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS

Focus on Instruction

None

Community Participation

None

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION MADE BY MRS. KYLE AND SECONDED BY MR. SPANGLER THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA BE APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (Items on the consent agenda include minutes of the regular session held May 10, 2016, May financial statement, May payroll report, May substitute report, May electricity use report, June listing of bills.)

Approval of Addendum to the Agenda

MOTION MADE BY DR. ADAMS AND SECONDED BY MRS. KYLE THAT THE ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA BE APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

- Mr. Sturgill stated that Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates will conduct the School Activity Fund Audit for fiscal year 2016 in July. Board members were provided with a copy of the firm's engagement letter for review.
- The CTE Department at Galax High School was recognized by VSBA's Showcase for Success.
- VSBA annually provides the opportunity for school boards to nominate school board members for the Regional School Board Member of the Year award. Mr. Sturgill stated that he would like to nominate Mr. Kohl for the award and will complete the application for the nomination.
- Mr. Sturgill thanked the Galax High School staff and administrators for all of the hard work that went into the graduation ceremony.

- Mr. Sturgill stated that he, Mr. Kohl, and Mrs. Kyle attended the VSBA School Law Conference in Charlottesville on June 3, 2106. Mr. Sturgill noted that transgender guidelines were discussed and the division is following those guidelines. It was recommended that school divisions handle each case individually without a written policy until clearer guidance is given.
- The spring sports season has wrapped up and was very successful. Boys' soccer and softball both played in the final four state playoffs, which is a tremendous accomplishment. This was the first time in school history for softball to advance to the state playoffs.
- In-service days are being held June 13-15, 2016. On June 14th, officers from the Virginia State Police discussed labor and sex trafficking issues and way to identify possible victims.
- Mr. Sturgill stated that at this point it is safe to say that the division will not have the state permits for several more weeks that will allow for the installation of artificial turf at Galax High School. The next window of opportunity will be after football season and another window would be next summer. The specifications for the project are different than what was originally anticipated because of the requirements to control water run-off. It may be necessary to control the storm water run-off on site which will increase the cost of the project. Mr. Sturgill stated that the delay in the issuance of the permits will allow time for further research into the storm water run-off issue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Overnight Trips

MOTION MADE BY MR. SPANGLER AND SECONDED BY MR. MERDIAN THAT THE OVERNIGHT TRIPS BE APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The overnight trips are as follows:

1. Girls Basketball Camp – Wingate University – June 24-26, 2016
 16 Students, 2 Chaperones (H. Mayo, B. Walker)
 Transportation – School Bus
 Projected Cost To: Student – \$175.00 Camp Registration (includes meals and lodging) (from player fundraising)
 School - \$0
 Division – Transportation Expenses
2. Wrestling Camp – Liberty University – July 6-9, 2016
 9 Students, 2 Chaperones (K. Spurlin, M. Franklin)
 Transportation – School Bus
 Projected Cost To: Student - \$345 Meals, Lodging, Registration (from Wrestling Booster Club)
 School - \$0
 Division – Transportation Expenses

3. Wrestling Camp – Appalachian State University – July 15-18, 2016
 10 Students, 3 Chaperones (K. Spurlin, M. Franklin, B. Whitaker)
 Transportation – School Bus
 Projected Cost To: Student - \$345 Meals, Lodging, Registration (from
 Wrestling Booster Club)
 School - \$0
 Division – Transportation Expenses

Approval of VHSL Agreement for 2016-2017

MOTION MADE BY DR. ADAMS AND SECONDED BY MRS. KYLE THAT THE VHSL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR BE APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Approval of Contract for SLP Therapy Services with TCRH for 2016-2017

This item was tabled on the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Approval of Physical Therapy Contract for 2016-2017

MOTION MADE BY MRS. KYLE AND SECONDED BY DR. ADAMS THAT THE CONTRACT FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES FOR 2016-2017 BE AWARDED TO HEARTLAND REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR THE RATE OF \$65 PER HOUR AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT. (A copy of the contract is attached to the minutes.)

Approval of Bus Routes for 2016-2017 School Year

MOTION MADE BY MR. MERDIAN AND SECONDED BY MRS. KYLE THAT THE BUS ROUTES FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR BE APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Approval of Bids – Unleaded Gas, Diesel Fuel, Heating Oil, Non-hazardous Waste Collection

MOTION MADE BY MR. SPANGLER AND SECONDED BY DR. ADAMS THAT THE BID FOR UNLEADED GAS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR BE AWARDED TO CIRCLE K AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION MADE BY MRS. KYLE AND SECONDED BY DR. ADAMS THAT THE BID FOR DIESEL FUEL FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR BE AWARDED TO CIRCLE K AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION MADE BY MR. MERDIAN AND SECONDED BY MR. SPANGLER THAT THE BID FOR NO. 2 HEATING OIL FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR BE AWARDED TO CLARK GAS & OIL COMPANY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

