

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE GALAX CITY SCHOOL BOARD HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE GALAX HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY. PRESENT: RAYMOND E. KOHL, CHAIRMAN; F. STEWART MERDIAN, W. LARRY SPANGLER, MEMBERS; BILL H. STURGILL, DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT; REBECCA W. CARDWELL, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT; KARA D. GRAHAM, CLERK OF THE BOARD. DR. JAMES G. ADAMS, VICE-CHAIRMAN, AND HELEN O. KYLE, MEMBER, WERE ABSENT.

School administrators in attendance were Jeff Sharpe, Bill Sutherland, Justin Iroler, Kristie Legg, Derrick Spence, and Matthew Cornett. A member of the press was also in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Kohl called the meeting to order.

PRESENTATIONS

Focus on Instruction

None

Community Participation

None

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION MADE BY MR. SPANGLER AND SECONDED BY MR. MERDIAN THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA BE APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (Items on the consent agenda include minutes of the regular session held July 12, 2016, July payroll report, July substitute report, July electricity report, August listing of bills.)

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

Mr. Sturgill gave the following reports:

- New teachers reported on August 5, 2016. Mr. Sturgill stated that we have 15 new staff members. All teachers reported on August 8, 2016 for the opening convocation.
- Fall sports have started. Football will have a scrimmage game on August 10th against Mt. Airy High School and the regular season will begin on August 19, 2016 with the benefit game against Carroll County.
- An average of 35 girls have participated in the daily summer weight lifting and conditioning program.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Overnight Trip(s)

None

Approval of Crisis Plans

MOTION MADE BY MR. MERDIAN AND SECONDED BY MR. SPANGLER THAT THE CRISIS PLANS FOR THE 216-2017 SCHOOL YEAR BE APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Approval of Bid for Galax Middle School Roof Replacement

MOTION MADE BY MR. SPANGLER AND SECONDED BY MR. MERDIAN THAT THE BID FOR THE ROOF REPLACEMENT AT GALAX MIDDLE SCHOOL BE AWARDED TO DUNFORD ROOFING, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$132,000.00 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (A copy of the bid is attached to the minutes.)

Building Project

Mr. Sturgill stated that he and Mr. Sharpe along with board members have met with six architectural firms to discuss the renovation of Galax Elementary School. Mr. Sturgill noted that the initial scope of the project is to add 12 classrooms and a full size gymnasium and to extend the current cafeteria into the existing gym space. Mr. Sturgill stated that three of the firms will attend the September meeting to discuss their plans and ideas with the entire Board. Mr. Sturgill also stated that Ballard Construction would like to conduct a feasibility study at the school and present their finding to the Board at the September meeting as well. Ballard Construction will pay for the study to be conducted.

Board Reports

Mr. Merdian stated that the Athletic Committee met and observed the summer weight lifting and conditioning program.

PERSONNEL

Closed Meeting

MOTION MADE BY MR. SPANGLER AND SECONDED BY MR. MERDIAN THAT THE BOARD CONVENE INTO CLOSED MEETING PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.2-3711(A)(1) TO DISCUSS THE APPOINTMENT, RESIGNATION, LEAVE, AND RETIREMENT OF EMPLOYEES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

Reconvene Open Meeting

MOTION MADE BY MR. SPANGLER AND SECONDED BY MR. MERDIAN THAT THE BOARD RECONVENE IN OPEN MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Certification of Closed Meeting

MOTION MADE BY MR. SPANGLER AND SECONDED BY MR. MERDIAN THAT THE BOARD ADOPT "A RESOLUTION OF CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING OF AUGUST 9, 2016" PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.2-3712(D) OF THE "VIRGINIA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT". ROLL CALL VOTE: KOHL-AYE, MERDIAN-AYE, SPANGLER-AYE.

Personnel

MOTION MADE BY MR. MERDIAN AND SECONDED BY MR. SPANGLER THAT THE PERSONNEL REPORT BE APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (A copy of the personnel report is attached to the minutes.)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION MADE BY MR. SPANGLER AND SECONDED BY MR. MERDIAN THAT THE MEETING ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Minutes Approved As Written
September 13, 2016


Clerk of the Board

MOTION: Mr. Spangler

SECOND: Mr. Merdian

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Galax City 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, Section 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;

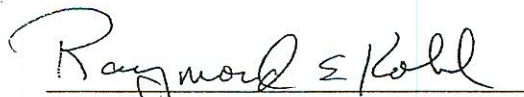
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Galax City School Board hereby certifies that to the best of each members knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting to which the certification applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered.

VOTE

AYES: 3

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2



Chairman



Clerk

August 9, 2016

Date

