

**SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING, THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018**

The Scott County School Board met for a special called meeting on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at the School Board Office Conference Room at 340 E. Jackson St., Gate City, Virginia 24251 with the following members present:

William "Bill" R. Quillen, Jr., Chairman  
David M. Templeton, Vice-Chairman  
Larry L. Horton  
Gail L. McConnell

Absent: L. Stephen "Steve" Sallee, Jr.  
Linda Gillenwater

**OTHERS PRESENT:** John I. Ferguson, Division Superintendent; Will Sturgill, School Board Attorney; Beverly Stidham, Clerk of the Board/Purchasing Agent; Kathy Wilcox, Head Start Director; April Carter, Fiscal Officer, Head Start; Doris Boitnoitt, VEA representative.

**CALL TO ORDER/MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chairman Quillen called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. The audience observed a moment of silence and Gail McConnell led in citing the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment was given.

**DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF 2018-19 PROJECTED SCHOOL OPERATING BUDGET:** Superintendent Ferguson discussed the proposed budget from the Governor and the slight increase in funding on the state and local levels but indicated to the Board that all figures at this point were only projections. Mr. Ferguson explained to the Board that the County has asked the School Board to complete a projected budget so they can complete their requirement to have local County budgets submitted by the July 1, 2018 deadline. Mr. Ferguson stated he has been working on figures from the state budget from Governor McAuliffe's budget before he left office in December 2017. The County has agreed to fund the School Board this year slightly higher than this current fiscal year from \$5,421,975 to \$5,440,000. He stated to the Board that no employee contracts would be issued until the budget from the state is finalized. This budget will be subject to change based on the Virginia General Assembly. He thanked David Templeton and Steve Sallee for their work in serving on the budget committee.

On a motion by David Templeton, seconded by Larry Horton, all members voting aye, the Board voted to approve the 2018-19 projected school operating budget.

**DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF 2018-19 PROJECTED CAFETERIA OPERATING BUDGET:** Superintendent Ferguson also discussed the 2018-19 cafeteria budget with the Board and stated that this year's cafeteria's budget would reflect a step increase for employees if that employee is eligible and he explained that cafeteria funds were differentiated from the school operating fund in a way that the cafeteria is self-reliant but that the budget would still be approved and contracts would still be based on the projected budget as the 2018-19 overall budget is approved. He stated that there would be a slight decrease in funds in the upcoming year in relation to the budget for the 2017-18 year but the numbers would fluctuate slightly at this time. He stated that the projected budget handout reflects janitorial supplies and other costs that the cafeteria would incur in the 2018-19 school year. He expressed the importance to the Board of understanding at this time that this is only a projection from the state on the funding of the 2018-19 budget.

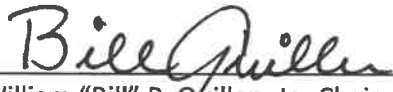
On a motion by David Templeton, seconded by Gail McConnell, all members voting aye, the Board voted to approve the 2018-19 projected cafeteria operating budget.

**APPROVAL OF EARLY HEAD START GRANT #03HP000049 COLA INCREASE- FY 2018:** Kathy Wilcox addressed the School Board concerning the handout from Ms. April Carter, Fiscal Officer for Head Start showing the increase for the FY 2018 cost of living raise for the Early Head Start teachers and one Family Resource Specialist with a 3% raise; and also for Head Start Director, Fiscal Officer, and the Child Development Coordinator, a 2.6% cost of living raise. She stated they had received \$9,055. -\$4,957 in salaries and \$4,098 in fringes.

On a motion by Gail McConnell, seconded by Larry Horton, all members voting aye, the Board voted to approve the Early Head Start Grant #03HP000049 COLA Increase FY 2018. Appendix A

**BOARD COMMENTS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to discuss, the Board adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

  
William "Bill" R. Quillen, Jr., Chairman

  
Beverly Stidham, Clerk