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SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2011

The Scott County School Board met in a special meeting, on Tuesday, August 23, 2011, in the School Board Office Conference Room in Gate City with the following members present:

James Kay Jessee, Chairman
Lowell S. Campbell, Vice-Chairman
Gloria E. "Beth" Blair
Kathy J. McClelland
Joe D. Meade
Dennis C. Templeton

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: John I. Ferguson, Interim Superintendent; Will Sturgill, School Board Attorney; Jason Smith, Director of Personnel/Middle Schools; Loretta Q. Page, Clerk of the Board/Administrative Assistant for Student Affairs & Operations; K.C. Linkous, Deputy Clerk of the Board/Human Resources Manager; Suzanne Goins, Virginia Professional Educators; Justin Forrester, Scott County Education Association Representative; Billy R. Nash, Maintenance Employee; Ramona Russell, Duffield Primary School Employee; Margaret Meade, Citizen; Lisa McCarty, Scott County Virginia Star; and Wes Bunch, Kingsport Times News.

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. James Kay Jessee, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOLLOWED BY *PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE*: Chairman Jessee asked for a moment of silence followed by the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mr. Templeton made a motion to approve the agenda; motion was seconded by Mrs. McClelland, all members voting aye.

CLOSED MEETING: Mrs. McClelland made a motion to enter into a closed meeting at 6:02 p.m. to discuss central office staff as provided in Section 2.2-3711A (1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended; motion was seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye.

Mrs. McClelland made a motion that Interim Superintendent, John Ferguson, not attend the closed meeting; however, be available, if needed; motion was seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye.

RETURN FROM CLOSED MEETING: All members returned from closed meeting at 6:57 p.m. and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board returned to regular session and Mrs. McClelland cited the following certification of the closed meeting:

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

WHEREAS, the Scott 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 Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires certification by this Scott County School Board that such meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Scott 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 resolution applies and (ii) only such public matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Scott County School Board in the closed meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Beth Blair, Lowell Campbell, Kay Jessee, Kathy McClelland, Joe Meade, Dennis Templeton
Nays: None
ABSENT DURING VOTE: None ABSENT DURING MEETING: None

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

James Kay Jessee, Chairman

Loretta Q. Page, Clerk