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SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 3, 2012

The Scott County School Board met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 2012, in the School Board Office Conference Room in Gate City, Virginia, with the following members present:

James Kay Jessee, Chairman
William "Bill" R. Quillen, Jr., Vice Chairman
Jeffrey "Jeff" A. Kegley
Gail L. McConnell
L. Stephen "Steve" Sallee, Jr.
Herman "Kelly" Spivey, Jr.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: John I. Ferguson, Superintendent; Will Sturgill, School Board Attorney; Jason Smith, Director of Operations/Middle Schools; Loretta Q. Page, Clerk Of The Board/Administrative Assistant for Student Affairs and Operations; K.C. Linkous, Deputy Clerk Of The Board/Human Resources Manager; Steve Shortt and Suzanne Goins, Virginia Professional Educators; Justin Forrester, Scott County Education Association; Billy Nash (and son Tristan) and Tim Edwards, Maintenance Employees; Ronnie Godsey, Nancy Godsey and Greg Carter, Citizens; Amy Sallee and Darlene Quillen, Board Member Spouses/Weber City Elementary School Teachers; Wade Smith, Rexel Representative; Charles Fugate, Nadine Vermillion and Leroy Sanders, School Bus Drivers; David Hartley, Heritage TV; Lisa McCarty, Scott County Virginia Star; and Wes Bunch, Kingsport Times News.

CALL TO ORDER/MOMENT OF SILENCE/*PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE*/PRO TEM CHAIR: Chairman Jessee serving as Pro Tem Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He welcomed everyone in attendance and expressed thanks for their interest in the school system and county. He asked the audience to observe a moment of silence and Bill Quillen led the audience in citing the *Pledge of Allegiance.* This being the Board's Organizational Meeting for the 2012 calendar year, Pro Tem Chairman Jessee relinquished the Chair to Superintendent Ferguson serving as Chairman Pro Tem for the election of Chairman.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN: Superintendent Ferguson, serving as Chairman Pro Tem, opened the floor for nominations for Chairman for 2012. Mr. Quillen nominated Mr. James Kay Jessee; motion was seconded by Mr. McConnell, all members voting aye. There being no further nominations, Mr. James Kay Jessee was elected by acclamation to serve as Chairman for the 2012 calendar year.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON: Superintendent Ferguson relinquished the Chair to re-elected Chairman, Mr. James Kay Jessee. Chairman Jessee thanked fellow members for their confidence in electing him once again to serve as Chairman, stating that he will try his best to live up to their expectations and be worthy of that confidence. Chairman Jessee opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman. Mr. McConnell nominated Mr. Bill Quillen; motion was seconded by Mr. Sallee. There being no further nominations for Vice Chairman, Chairman Jessee asked for a motion that nominations cease and Mr. Quillen be elected by acclamation; motion made by Mr. Sallee, seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye, Mr. Quillen will serve as Vice Chairman for the 2012 calendar year.

CLERK: Mr. Sallee nominated Mrs. Loretta Q. Page to serve as Clerk of the Board for the 2012 calendar year, seconded by Mr. Quillen. There being no other nominations, Mr. Sallee made a motion that nominations cease, motion was seconded by Mr. Quillen, all members voting aye, and that Mrs. Page be appointed by acclamation to serve as Clerk of the Board for the 2012 calendar year.

DEPUTY CLERK: Mr. Kegley nominated Mrs. K.C. (Karen) Linkous to serve as Deputy Clerk of the Board for the 2012 calendar year, motion was seconded by Mr. Spivey. There being no other nominations for Deputy Clerk, Mr. McConnell made a motion that nominations cease, seconded by Mr. Quillen, all members voting aye, and that Mrs. Linkous be appointed by acclamation to serve as Deputy Clerk of the Board for the 2012 calendar year.

ITEMS BY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS TO BE ADDED TO AGENDA: Chairman Jessee informed the new members that this item is for their opportunity to include items on the agenda that need to be discussed. He suggested to members that it would be to the Board's advantage to get any of these item(s) to Mrs. Page so she can include them in the packet so that each member then has the chance to look over items; and, especially if it is something a member is looking to get a vote on. He explained that this is how this has been done in the past if an item is being brought to the Board's attention to be acted upon.

ADDITION AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Chairman Jessee requested the addition of the following under Superintendent's Report: (D) School Allocations for Spring and (E) Quality Assurance Review Report. On a motion by Mr. Sallee, seconded by Mr. Quillen, all members voting aye, the Board approved the agenda with additions submitted by Chairman Jessee.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 6, 2011 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: On a motion by Mr. Quillen, seconded by Mr. McConnell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Tuesday, December 6, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: On a motion by Mr. Sallee, seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye, the Board approved the following payroll and claims: School Operating Fund invoices & payroll in the amount of as shown by warrants # & electronic payroll direct deposit in the amount of $ & electronic payroll tax deposit $. Cafeteria Fund invoices & payroll in the amount of $ as shown by warrants # & electronic payroll direct deposit in the amount of $ & electronic payroll tax deposit $. Scott County Head Start invoices & payroll in the amount of $ as shown by warrants # .

APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETING DATES: Board members discussed dates, time and locations for their meetings to be held. After discussion, it was decided that meetings would be held at 6:30 p.m. and that all meetings would be held in the School Board Office Conference Room except for the February meeting which would be held at the Scott County Career & Technical Center for the purpose of a public hearing, regular meeting and recognition of school board appreciation. Also, discussed was that should it be necessary, due to the number of public anticipated, the meetings could be moved. On a motion by Mr. Kegley, seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye, the Board approved meeting dates, locations and time as follows:

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
February 7, 2012 (Tuesday)	Scott County Career & Technical Center	
	(Public Hearing: 2012-13 Proposed School Budget)	6:15 p.m.
	(Regular Meeting)	6:30 p.m.
March 6, 2012 (Tuesday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
April 3, 2012 (Tuesday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
May 1, 2012 (Tuesday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
June 5, 2012 (Tuesday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
June 28, 2012 (Thursday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
	(2011-12 School Budget Close-Out Meeting)	
July 3, 2012 (Tuesday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
August 7, 2012 (Tuesday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
September 4, 2012 (Tuesday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
October 2, 2012 (Tuesday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
November 8, 2012 (Thursday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
December 4, 2012 (Tuesday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.
January 8, 2013 (Tuesday)	School Board Office	6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Charles Fugate, School Bus Driver, spoke to the Board concerning a health insurance benefits request for school bus drivers; that the Board seriously consider making benefits available to them; if they cannot be included they would like that in writing giving a reason why it can't be

done; keep them informed of whether it did or did not happen; and, that this be kept high on their priority list.

Mrs. Nancy Godsey asked about Item 4. on the agenda. Chairman Jessee thanked her for bringing the matter to his attention since it was inadvertently skipped and was to be addressed.

APPROVAL OF CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS: On a motion by Mr. Sallee, seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Code of Conduct for School Board Members as follows:

VSBA Code of Conduct for School Board Members

As a member of my local school board, I will strive to be an advocate for students and to improve public education and to that end:

1. I will have integrity in all matters and support the full development of all children and the welfare of the community, Commonwealth and Nation.

2. I will attend scheduled board meetings.

3. I will come to board meetings informed concerning the issues under consideration.

4. I will make policy decisions based on the available facts and appropriate public input.

5. I will delegate authority for the administration of the schools to the superintendent, and establish a process for accountability of administrators.

6. I will encourage individual board member expression of opinion and establish an open, two-way communication process with all segments of the community.

7. I will communicate, in accordance with board policies, public reaction and opinion regarding board policies and school programs to the full board and superintendent.

8. I will bring about desired changes through legal and ethical procedures, upholding and enforcing all laws, state regulations, and court orders pertaining to schools.

9. I will refrain from using the board position for personal or partisan gain and avoid any conflict of interest or the appearance of impropriety.

10. I will respect the confidentiality of privileged information and make no individual decisions or commitments that might compromise the board or administration.

11. I will be informed about current educational issues through individual study and participation in appropriate programs, such as those sponsored by my state and national school boards associations.

12. I will always remember that the foremost concern of the board is to improve and enhance the teaching and learning experience for all students in the public schools of Virginia.

Therefore, I will always strive to demonstrate appropriate behavior/conduct as a public school board member. (Each member of this school board voting to adopt this Code should sign.)

Name: Gail McConnell Name: Gail McConnell
Name: Kelly Spivey Name: Henry Kelly Spivey Jr.
Name: Jett Kegley Name:
Name: William R. Quillen, Jr. Name: William R. Quillen Jr.
Name: L. Stephen Sallee, Jr. Name: L. Stephen Sallee Jr.
Name: James K. Jessee Name: James K. Jessee
School Board: Scott County Date: January 3, 2012

APPROVAL OF VSBA INSURANCE SERVICES PROGRAMS OFFICIAL VOTING REPRESENTATIVE: Mr. Sallee nominated Mr. James K. Jessee to serve as the VSBA Insurance Services Programs Official Voting Representative, seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye.

APPROVAL OF CANDIDATE FOR SUBMISSION TO NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR ELECTION OF VSBA INSURANCE SERVICES PROGRAM SUPERVISORY BOARD MEMBERS: Mr. Quillen nominated Superintendent Ferguson as candidate for submission to the nominating committee for election of VSBA Insurance Services Program Supervisory Board, seconded by Mr. McConnell, all members voting aye. Chairman Jessee asked Will Sturgill, School Board Attorney, to review the matter to make sure the Board could appoint Superintendent Ferguson as a candidate.

RESOLUTIONS IN RECOGNITION OF GATE CITY HIGH SCHOOL AND RYE COVE HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS: Superintendent Ferguson recognized the sports achievements of Gate City High School and Rye Cove High School as follows:

RESOLUTION
GATE CITY HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
VHSL PARTICIPANT STATE CROSS COUNTRY MEET
2011 CLINCH MOUNTAIN DISTRICT, REGION D, GROUP A PARTICIPANT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County School Board of Scott County, Virginia, as follows:

WHEREAS, Gate City High School Cross Country Team Member, Blair Vaughn, has achieved an outstanding cross-country season by advancing as an individual in both the district and region earning participation in the VHSL State Cross Country Championship,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes to extend congratulations to Gate City High School Cross Country Team Member, Blair Vaughn, for participation in the Clinch Mountain District, Region D, and VHSL State Cross Country Tournament,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board acknowledges the outstanding performance of the Gate City High School Cross Country Team Member, Blair Vaughn, and is proud of the fine manner in which she has represented Scott County,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes continued success for the Gate City High School Cross Country Team Member, Blair Vaughn, and coaches,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Scott County School Board wishes a copy of this resolution to be presented to Gate City High School Cross Country Team Member, Blair Vaughn, and the coaches.

John I. Ferguson, Superintendent (Signature)
Date (January 3, 2012)
ATTEST:
(School Board Seal)

James Kay Jessee, Board Member (Signature)
Jeffrey A. Kegley, Board Member (Signature)
Gail L. McConnell, Board Member (Signature)
William R. Quillen, Jr., Board Member (Signature)
L. Stephen Sallee, Jr., Board Member (Signature)
H. Kelly Spivey, Jr., Board Member (Signature)

RESOLUTION
GATE CITY HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
VHSL PARTICIPANT STATE CROSS COUNTRY MEET
2011 CLINCH MOUNTAIN DISTRICT, REGION D, GROUP A PARTICIPANT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County School Board of Scott County, Virginia, as follows:

WHEREAS, Gate City High School Cross Country Team Member, Garrett Watts, has achieved an outstanding cross-country season by advancing as an individual in both the district and region earning participation in the VHSL State Cross Country Championship,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes to extend congratulations to Gate City High School Cross Country Team Member, Garrett Watts, for participation in the Clinch Mountain District, Region D, and VHSL State Cross Country Tournament,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board acknowledges the outstanding performance of the Gate City High School Cross Country Team Member, Garrett Watts, and is proud of the fine manner in which he has represented Scott County,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes continued success for the Gate City High School Cross Country Team Member, Garrett Watts, and coaches,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Scott County School Board wishes a copy of this resolution to be presented to Gate City High School Cross Country Team Member, Garrett Watts, and the coaches.

John I. Ferguson, Superintendent (Signature)
Date (January 3, 2012)
ATTEST:
(School Board Seal)

James Kay Jessee, Board Member (Signature)
Jeffrey A. Kegley, Board Member (Signature)
Gail L. McConnell, Board Member (Signature)
William R. Quillen, Jr., Board Member (Signature)
L. Stephen Sallee, Jr., Board Member (Signature)
H. Kelly Spivey, Jr., Board Member (Signature)

GATE CITY HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM
2011 CLINCH MOUNTAIN DISTRICT CHAMPION
REGION D DIVISION 2 RUNNER-UP, GROUP A DIVISION 2 STATE QUARTERFINAL PARTICIPANT

***BE IT RESOLVED**, by the County School Board of Scott County, Virginia, as follows:*
***WHEREAS**, the Gate City High School Volleyball Team has achieved an outstanding regular volleyball season by winning 14 games and losing 8 overall, and*
***WHEREAS**, the Gate City High School Volleyball Team won the Clinch Mountain District Championship with a record of 16 wins and 8 losses, and*
***WHEREAS**, the Gate City High School Volleyball Team was the Region D Division 2 Runner-up with a record of 18 wins and 9 losses, and*
***WHEREAS**, the Gate City High School Volleyball Team participated in the Group A Division 2 State Quarterfinal and had a final record of 18 wins and 10 losses, and*
***WHEREAS**, the Scott County School Board wishes to extend congratulations to the Gate City High School Volleyball Team for winning the Clinch Mountain District Championship, being the Region D Division 2 Runner-up, and for participating in the Division 2 State Quarterfinal Game, and*
***WHEREAS**, the Scott County School Board acknowledges the outstanding performance of the Gate City High School Volleyball Team and is proud of the fine manner in which the team has represented Scott County, and*
***WHEREAS**, the Scott County School Board wishes continued success for the Gate City High School Volleyball Team and coaches, and*
***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Scott County School Board wishes a copy of this resolution to be presented to each player and the coaches of the Gate City High School Volleyball Team.*

John I. Ferguson, Superintendent (Signature)
Date (January 3, 2012)
ATTEST:
(School Board Seal)

James Kay Jessee, Board Member (Signature)
Jeffrey A. Kegley, Board Member (Signature)
Gail L. McConnell, Board Member (Signature)
William R. Quillen, Jr., Board Member (Signature)
L. Stephen Sallee, Jr., Board Member (Signature)
H. Kelly Spivey, Jr., Board Member (Signature)

RESOLUTION
RYE COVE HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM
REGION D DIVISION I CHAMPION
GROUP A DIVISION I STATE QUARTERFINAL PARTICIPANT

***BE IT RESOLVED**, by the County School Board of Scott County, Virginia, as follows:*
***WHEREAS**, the Rye Cove High School Volleyball Team has achieved an outstanding season by winning 13 games and losing 13 overall, and*
***WHEREAS**, the Rye Cove High School Volleyball Team achieved 9 wins and 11 losses during the regular season, and*
***WHEREAS**, the Rye Cove High School Volleyball Team won the Region D Division I Championship, and*
***WHEREAS**, the Rye Cove High School Volleyball Team participated in the Group A Division I State Quarter final Game, and*
***WHEREAS**, the Scott County School Board acknowledges the outstanding performance of the Rye Cove High Volleyball Team as Region D Division I Champions; and, is proud of the fine manner in which the team has represented Scott County, and*

John I. Ferguson, Superintendent (Signature)
Date (January 3, 2012)
ATTEST:
(School Board Seal)

James Kay Jessee, Board Member (Signature)
Jeffrey A. Kegley, Board Member (Signature)
Gail L. McConnell, Board Member (Signature)
William R. Quillen, Jr., Board Member (Signature)

L. Stephen Sallee, Jr., Board Member (Signature)
H. Kelly Spivey, Jr., Board Member (Signature)

***WHEREAS**, the Scott County School Board wishes continued success for the Rye Cove High School Volleyball Team and coaches, and*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Scott County School Board wishes a copy of this resolution to be presented to each player and the coaches of the Rye Cove High School Volleyball Team.*

John I. Ferguson, Superintendent (Signature)
Date (January 3, 2012)
ATTEST:
(School Board Seal)

James Kay Jessee, Board Member (Signature)
Jeffrey A. Kegley, Board Member (Signature)
Gail L. McConnell, Board Member (Signature)
William R. Quillen, Jr., Board Member (Signature)
L. Stephen Sallee, Jr., Board Member (Signature)
H. Kelly Spivey, Jr., Board Member (Signature)

RECOGNITION OF VSBA BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH – JANUARY: Superintendent Ferguson presented a news release from the VSBA in regard to their recognition of January as Bullying Prevention Month. He asked Jason Smith, Supervisor of Personnel/Middle Schools, to provide information to the Board on programs within the school division.

Mr. Smith reported that grades 4-6 have just completed the Positive Action Program and provided a summary of a new program, Character Counts, which was purchased last year and is being implemented this year in grades K-8 and in the high school during the FCCLA classes. He also explained that Gate City Middle School applied for a grant but has not yet heard from it. He further explained that administrators work with policy, take reports of bullying seriously and work quickly, fairly, and provide counseling and punishment as appropriate.

BUILDING SERVICES UPDATE – ROBERT SALLEE, SUPERVISOR OF BUILDING SERVICES: Robert Sallee, Supervisor of Building Services, provided an update on some of the jobs completed during the past month and provided an explanation of boiler repairs at Dungannon Intermediate School. He also presented a summary of the lighting improvement and projected cost savings of the new lights installed at Gate City Middle School, Rye Cove High School and Twin Springs High School. He explained that one of his goals is working toward energy savings and welcomed the Board's suggestions. He commented that he is looking forward to working with them and invited them to visit the Maintenance Building Services Department.

APPROVAL OF FUNDING ALLOCATIONS TO SCHOOLS FOR SPRING: Superintendent Ferguson provided a handout that included details on the various funding being recommended for allocation to the schools and provided an opportunity for the Board to ask questions. There being no questions, Superintendent Ferguson recommended approval of the following allocations to the schools for spring; motion was made for approval by Mr. Sallee, seconded by Mr. Kegley, all members voting aye:

$8,350 Duffield Primary School
$5,413 Fort Blackmore Primary School
$6,300 Hilton Elementary School
$4,037 Dungannon Intermediate School
$12,836 Nickelsville Elementary School
$23,650 Shoemaker Elementary School
$13,300 Weber City Elementary School
$6,985 Yuma Elementary School
$21,056 Rye Cove High School
$9,683 Rye Cove Intermediate School
$33,596 Gate City High School
$28,087 Gate City Middle School
$29,125 Scott County Career & Technical Center
$21,798 Twin Springs High School

QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW (QAR) REPORT: Superintendent Ferguson explained that the Quality Assurance Review Report is being provided to them for their information. He further explained that the QAR review team has submitted the report for the final accreditation process and once the school division received the official word from the national headquarters members will be notified.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Sallee made a motion to enter into a closed meeting at 6:40 p.m. to discuss all personnel as provided in Section 2.2-3711A (1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended; motion was seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye.

RETURN FROM CLOSED MEETING: All members returned from closed meeting at 7:40 p.m. and on a motion by Mr. Sallee, seconded by Mr. Spivey, the Board returned to regular session and Mr. Sallee 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: James K. Jessee, Jeff Kegley, Gail McConnell, Bill Quillen, Steve Sallee, Kelly Spivey

Nays: None

ABSENT DURING VOTE: None ABSENT DURING MEETING: None

APPROVAL OF REPLACEMENT BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON CHARACTER EDUCATION COMMITTEE: On the recommendation of Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Quillen, seconded by Mr. Kegley, all members voting aye, the Board approved Steve Sallee to replace former board member Joe Meade, in serving on the Character Education Committee for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year.

APPROVAL OF REPLACEMENT BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON COMMUNICATIONS, SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE: On the recommendation of Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Sallee, seconded by Mr. McConnell, all members voting aye, the Board approved Kelly Spivey to replace former board member Beth Blair, in serving on the Communications, School Improvement Committee for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year.

APPROVAL OF REPLACEMENT BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON REMEDIAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE: On the recommendation of Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Sallee, seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye, the Board approved Bill Quillen to replace former board member Kathy McClelland, in serving on the Remedial Education Committee for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year.

APPROVAL OF REPLACEMENT BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON SCHOOL HEALTH/SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD: On the recommendation of Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Kegley, seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye, the Board approved Gail McConnell to replace former board member Kathy McClelland, in serving on the School Health/Safety Advisory Board for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year.

APPROVAL OF REPLACEMENT BOARD MEMBERS TO SERVE ON SCHOOL EMPLOYEES SELF-FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE FUND COMMITTEE: On the recommendation of Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Sallee, seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye, the Board approved Bill

Quillen to replace Lowell S. Campbell in serving on a continuous basis for a four year term on the School Employees Self-funded Health Insurance Fund Committee. On the recommendation of Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Spivey, seconded by Mr. Sallee, all members voting aye, the Board approved Gail McConnell to replace Kathy McClelland in serving on a yearly basis on the School Employees Self-funded Health Insurance Fund Committee.

APPROVAL OF REPLACEMENT BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE: On the recommendation of Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Sallee, seconded by Mr. Quillen, all members voting aye, the Board approved Jeff Kegley to replace former board member Lowell Campbell, in serving on the Special Education Advisory Committee for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year.

RECOGNITION OF MELISSA WILLIAMS TRINKLE AND MICHAEL VERMILLION TO SERVE ON THE 2012 VMAST ITEM REVIEW MATHEMATICS COMMITTEE: Jason Smith, Director of Personnel/Middle Schools, recognized Melissa Williams Trinkle, Gate City Middle School Teacher, and Michael Vermillion, Yuma Elementary School Teacher, for being selected by the Virginia Department of Education to serve on the 2012 VMAST Item Review Mathematics Committee. He commended their appointment and commented on the Virginia Department of Education as being lucky to have these excellent Scott County teachers serving on the committee.

PERSONNEL: Jason Smith, Director of Personnel, reported that there are no personnel items.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Mr. Spivey expressed thanks to everyone for coming out and showing their support of the school system. Mr. Sallee thanked the people in District 2 for their support and commented he is glad for the opportunity to be here and looking forward to working with everyone. Chairman Jessee stated once again that he appreciates the audience in attendance and thanked them for their continued interested in the school system. He commented on seeing some familiar faces and that it is good to know that we have people that really care about what goes on in our county when it comes to the education of our children.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS ON PICTURES HUNG ON SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM WALL: Superintendent Ferguson asked everyone to take a look at the pictures recently hung on the School Board Office Conference Room wall. He explained that they are of Stoney Creek in the Dungannon/Fort Blackmore area and explained that Jennifer Meade, Dungannon Intermediate School Principal, was the photographer and expressed appreciation for her volunteering to get them framed and placed in the conference room.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Mr. McConnell, seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye, the Board adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

James Kay Jessee, Chairman

Loretta Q. Page, Clerk