

**SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2007**

The Scott County School Board met in regular session on Tuesday, September 4, 2007, at the School Board Office in Gate City, Virginia, with the following members present:

David T. Kindle, Chairman  
Joe D. Meade, Vice Chairman  
Gloria E. "Beth" Blair  
Lowell S. Campbell  
Nathan K. Catron  
Katherine J. McClelland

ABSENT: None

**OTHERS PRESENT**: James B. Scott, Division Superintendent; Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations; C. Dean Foster, Jr., County Attorney; Loretta Q. Page, Clerk; K.C. Linkous, Deputy Clerk; Rhonda Hamm, Scott County Education Association Representative; Jim and Betty Spears, Gate City Community Members; Gerald Miller, Mayor of Duffield; Marceia Holland, Cove Ridge Center Director - Natural Tunnel State Park; Carl Miller and Ronald Hill, Fairview Community; Regina Sampson Fuller, Shoemaker Elementary School Librarian and daughter of recently deceased school board member, E. Virgil Sampson, Jr.; Connie R. Sampson, spouse of E. Virgil Sampson, Jr.; Frances S. Perry, sister of E. Virgil Sampson, Jr.; and Lisa McCarty, Scott County Virginia Star.

**CALL TO ORDER**: Mr. David T. Kindle, Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**: Chairman Kindle requested additions to the agenda as follows: Item V. II's (cafeteria expenditures) \$32,280.53 and Item VI. School Safety Plans and Easement at Weber City Elementary School for Scott County Public Sewer Authority. On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the board approved the agenda as submitted and including the additions by Chairman Kindle.

**PRESENTATION FROM JIM AND BETTY SPEARS IN RECOGNITION OF E. VIRGIL SAMPSON, JR., RECENTLY DECEASED SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER**: Mr. Jim Spears presented an art print of Mr. E. Virgil Sampson, Jr., which was painted by Mr. Spears. Mr. Spears stated that he knew Mr. Sampson for many years, considered him a good friend, and he wanted to do something in recognition of Mr. Sampson. Mr. James B. Scott, Superintendent, accepted and thanked Mr. Spears for the presentation of the art print of Mr. Sampson. Superintendent Scott informed Mr. Spears that the art print will be displayed in the school board office. He and school board members expressed thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Spears for their recognition of Mr. Sampson.

**RESOLUTION FROM SCHOOL BOARD PRESENTED TO FAMILY OF E. VIRGIL SAMPSON, JR.**: Mr. James B. Scott, Superintendent, presented the following resolution from the school board to the family of E. Virgil Sampson, Jr., recently deceased school board member, in recognition of his dedicated service to the county and the school system:

**RESOLUTION  
IN RECOGNITION OF  
E. VIRGIL SAMPSON, JR.  
SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER**

*WHEREAS, the members of the Scott County School Board wish to extend their deepest sympathy in the recent death of E. Virgil Sampson, Jr., Scott County School Board member, and*

*WHEREAS, the members of the Scott County School Board wish to recognize the sincere commitment and dedicated service of E. Virgil Sampson, Jr. to Scott County Public Schools, and*

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Scott County School Board realize E. Virgil Sampson, Jr., leaves behind a memorial; a memorial not of stone or steel, but a memorial that is carved into the lives of those who knew and worked with him in the school system for whom he labored so diligently and so well, and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Scott County School Board realize it is those of us left behind that continue to be living memorials to a life that had the courage, the dignity, and the integrity to touch each of us on a personal and meaningful level, and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by members of the Scott County School Board that this resolution be presented to the next of kin in recognition of E. Virgil Sampson, Jr., Scott County School Board member, and

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by members of the Scott County School Board that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Scott County Retired Teachers Association in recognition of the fact that E. Virgil Sampson, Jr., school board member, was responsible for the establishment of a Retired Teacher Resolution, which is presented by the Scott County School Board to the Scott County Retired Teachers Association is recognition of deceased teachers.

David T. Kindle, Chairman (Signature)

Joe D. Meade, Vice Chairman (Signature)

Gloria E. "Beth" Blair, Board Member (Signature)

Lowell S. Campbell, Board Member (Signature)

Nathan K. Catron, Board Member (Signature)

Kathy J. McClelland, Board Member (Signature)

**ATTEST:**

James B. Scott, Superintendent (Signature)

Loretta Q. Page, Clerk (Signature)

**"SCIENCE IN THE SUMMER" (Nature Trek 360 )– MARCEIA HOLLAND, COVE RIDGE CENTER DIRECTOR - NATURAL TUNNEL STATE PARK:** Ms. Marceia Holland, Cove Ridge Center Director – Natural Tunnel State Park, reported that 58 middle school students were divided into three sessions for a three day, two night science and nature adventure. She reported that the students did canoeing, snorkeling (seeing and learning about river life including various fish and mussels), water-quality testing and study of the Clinch River (considered to be free from pollution), preparation of graphs using a micro-invertebrate study and water-quality study, pioneer style tie-dying, swimming, learned about the kinds of plants pioneers might have used for food, medicine and clothing, and learned to prepare a survival kit. Ms. Holland hopes that the school division will participate again next summer and she plans to expand the program. She also explained that after evaluating the program, a few changes need to be done. Ms. Holland expressed thanks to Superintendent Scott, school board members, and the chaperones for contributing to the success of the program.

Superintendent Scott reported that many positive comments were received from the parents. He stated that the school system needs to move forward with plans to have the program again next summer. He requested that Ms. Holland meet with him as soon as possible for scheduling and planning the program and to discuss any necessary issues. He stated that he would try to make sure that teachers are aware of the program so that he can try to find teachers to stay overnight as needed. He requested that Ms. Holland schedule a meeting with him and as soon as possible.

School Board Members and Superintendent Scott thanked Ms. Holland for her presentation.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No members of the audience came forth to speak during this period.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** On a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the board approved the minutes of August 7, 2007, Regular Meeting, as submitted.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:** On a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Catron, all members voting aye, the board approved claims as follows:

School Operating Fund invoices and payroll in the amount of \$1,236,767.51 as shown by warrants #8082402-8082857 (8082206, 8080779, 8080708, 8081166, 8081607, & 8081833 voided). Cafeteria Fund invoices and payroll in the amount of \$112,032.13 as shown by warrants #1009959-1010041. Scott County Public School Head Start invoices and payroll totaling \$34,905.84 as shown by warrants #6327-6387.

**REPORT ON SUMMER PROGRAMS:** Superintendent Scott reported that the total enrollment in summer programs was 1,054 students. He stated that this summer's enrollment was almost double last

year's 544. He reported that summer programs were held at various schools in the county with enrollment as follows: Summer Enrichment Courses (102 students, grades K-2), Science In The Summer (58 students, all grades), Computer Camp (218 students, K-8 grades), Library Nights (109 students, K-2 grades), Summer ESL Students (18 students, all grades), Resource Students (36 students, PS-4 grades), Fine Arts Music (172 students, Level 2 - Grades 9-12 and 77 students, Middle Level I), and Arts (19 students K-2, 7 students 3-5, and 4 students 6-8).

#### **REPORT ON STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND PUPIL-TEACHER RATIO:**

Superintendent Scott reported that the school system has picked up at least eight or more students since last Tuesday, when the ten-day enrollment was 3,843. He pointed out that the kindergarten enrollment is down from the previous few years. He reported that at least four students were picked up on enrollment after the Labor Day holiday, as is usually the case each year. Superintendent Scott presented the following Ten-Day Student Enrollment and Pupil-Teacher Ratio:

TEN DAY ENROLLMENT	K			1			2			3			4			5			6			7			TOTALS		
	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T
DUFFIELD	35	29	64	41	39	80	29	33	62	36	32	68	27	42	69										168	175	343
DUNGANNON													10	7	17	12	8	20	9	9	18	15	13	28	46	37	83
FT BLACKMORE	7	14	21	8	7	15	14	6	20	14	11	25													43	38	81
GATE CITY MIDDLE																						98	95	193	98	95	193
HILTON	11	7	18	12	15	27	14	15	29	11	15	26	14	13	27	16	8	24	12	16	28				90	89	179
NICKELSVILLE	12	11	23	15	24	39	17	21	38	18	16	34	15	21	36	21	26	47	14	12	26	14	16	30	126	147	273
RYE COVE INT																32	23	55	29	22	51	25	30	55	86	75	161
SHOEMAKER	44	28	72	38	43	81	42	41	83	26	37	63	32	43	75	30	25	55	30	40	70				242	257	499
WEBER CITY	17	20	37	29	35	64	36	25	61	31	28	59	19	29	48	28	35	63	30	30	60				190	202	392
YUMA	15	12	27	10	17	27	12	9	21	8	13	21	8	12	20	7	11	18	13	13	26				73	87	160
TOTALS	141	121	262	153	180	333	164	150	314	144	152	296	125	167	292	146	136	282	137	142	279	152	154	306	1162	1202	2364
	8			9			10			11			12														
GATE CITY HIGH							98	88	186	91	71	162	76	79	155										265	238	503
GATE CITY MIDDLE	98	63	161	95	104	199																			193	167	360
RYE COVE HIGH	39	31	70	34	39	73	39	31	70	28	25	53	24	29	53										164	155	319
TWIN SPRINGS	33	29	62	29	32	61	22	30	52	41	27	68	26	28	54										151	146	297
TOTALS	170	123	293	158	175	333	159	149	308	160	123	283	126	136	262							TOTAL HS			773	706	1479
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																						TOTAL ENROLLMENT			3843		

PUPIL-TEACHER RATIO	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTALS
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DUFFIELD	64	15.8:1	80	16:1	62	15.5:1	68	17:1	69	23:1							343	17.2	
DUNGANNON									17	17:1	20	10:1	18	18:1	28	14:1	83	13.8	
FT BLACKMORE	21	21:1	15	15:1	20	10:1	25	12.5:1									81	13.5	
GATE CITY MIDDLE															193		193		
HILTON	18	18:1	27	13.5:1	29	14.5:1	26	13:1	27	13.5:1	24	24:1	28	14:1			179	14.9	
NICKELSVILLE	23	11.5:1	39	19.5:1	38	19:1	34	11.3:1	36	18:1	47	23.5:1	26	13:1	30	15:1	273	16.1	
RYE COVE INT											55	18.3:1	51	17:1	55	18.3:1	161	17.9	
SHOEMAKER	72	17.3:1	81	16.6:1	83	20.1:1	63	16:1	75	25:1	55	18.7:1	70	23:1			499	18.5	
WEBER CITY	37	12.3:1	64	21.3:1	61	20.3:1	59	19.7:1	48	16:1	63	21:1	60	20:1			392	18.7	
YUMA	27	13.5:1	27	13.5:1	21	21:1	21	10.5:1	20	20:1	18	18:1	26	13:1			160	14.6	
ELEM TOTALS	262		333		314		296		292		282		279		306		2364		
	8		9		10		11		12										
	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T	B	G	T		B	G	T
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																	TOTAL ENROLLMENT		3843

**REPORT ON SCHOOL ACTIVITY FUNDS AUDIT:** Superintendent Scott reported that Mr. Jim Fern, auditor, met with the school personnel and principals and stated that schools would be written up school by school if they did not follow the procedures and recommendations of the auditor. Superintendent Scott reported that procedural safeguards have been implemented to ensure internal control, segregation of duties and that the school personnel follow procedures and recommendations of the auditor. Superintendent Scott explained various examples showing that these procedures are being implemented at the schools. Superintendent Scott stated that he is reviewing the school situations and that he will continue to do so. He also stated that should board members wish to have the auditor present at a future school board meeting to let him know. He explained that the auditor has taken measures at the schools to ensure procedural safeguards for funds at ballgames, etc. After superintendent and board member discussion concerning the school audit, Chairman Kindle stated that it sounds like the schools are being covered and asked Superintendent Scott to continue to monitor the school situations.

**DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIP POLICY:** Superintendent Scott reported that Mrs. Beth Blair and Mr. Joe Meade, school board members, and himself, served on a committee to review and revise the field trip policy. Superintendent Scott reported that one of the main concerns was the

various kinds of fund raising by the schools and the need to ensure educational activities for the students left at school on the days of their class field trips. Superintendent Scott and school board members discussed the proposed field trip policy. He explained that there are different options available for various trip time frames. He stated that schools need to be encouraged to travel to locations and attend events in the state since Virginia has a lot of history itself. He also stated that long distance trips need to be reviewed and stated that a closer trip might serve the same purpose. He reported that several fund raisers have already been turned in to Mr. Darryl Johnson, Director of Operations. He explained that there are state guidelines on door-to-door fund raisers. He also discussed the situation of having people on a bus that are not school personnel and stated that this becomes a liability issue also.

After discussion, Superintendent Scott and board members agreed to approve the Field Trips Policy as submitted and to try to have a proposed Athletic Policy for next school board meeting. On the recommendation of the Field Trip Committee and on a motion by Mr. Meade, seconded by Mr. Catron, all members voting aye, the board approved the Field Trip Policy as follows:

### **Field Trips**

In planning field trips, teachers should focus on keeping the trip as an educational experience and extension of the classroom instructional program. Teachers should be mindful that field trips cause disruptions to the student's other classes and ensure that time lost from other classes do not become excessive.

All special education students are eligible for the same field trips as those in the general student population. Accommodations for special education and/or physically disabled students must be arranged before any request will be approved. If a student is to be excluded from a field trip for disciplinary reasons, it will be with the principal's recommendation and central office approval. Disciplinary measures on a field trip are the same for students as during the regular school day. Provisions must be made for students choosing not to participate in a field trip that will ensure their educational activities continue on a normal basis.

Only designated chaperones are allowed to ride a bus, other parents/relatives must provide their own transportation and any related expenses (not to be included with any student discounts such as group tickets, and room reservations).

Chaperones other than those employed by the school system must submit to a criminal background check at their expense. This provision is for the protection and safety of all children. Students must be properly supervised at all times including free time. Lodging must include one (1) chaperone per six (6) students per room.

The faculty sponsor shall submit a written request to the principal and superintendent, or designee, for their approval before soliciting student and parental support or conducting any fund-raising for the trip.

Chartered buses may be hired when school-owned buses are not available or it is deemed to be in the best interest of the students. The use of chartered buses greatly increases the cost and could possibly be the cause of some children being financially unable to go.

No student shall be denied the privilege of going on a school-sponsored field trip because of insufficient funds. Each school PTO or community civic group should be contacted regarding financial assistance for indigent students. Any assistance would help defray the cost such as travel, food, and lodging.

Private cars may be used to transport students on field trips only with prior approval of the superintendent, or designee, with the assurance that insurance requirements have been met.

Request for overnight field trips must be submitted to the superintendent or his designee, three (3) months prior to planned trip. The superintendent, or designee, presents the request to the School Board for final approval/disapproval.

Class field trips must not exceed three (3) school days. If additional days are needed, plans should include Saturday and Sunday. Overnight field trips by clubs and/or civic groups must be taken outside the regular school schedule from Friday through Sunday. All overnight field trips are to be scheduled after the Standards of Learning Test have been administered.

The Scott County School Board recognizes the importance of educational field trips in the instructional program, however we want to ensure the safety of all involved.

### **CHAPERONE INFORMATION**

Name

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License No, \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**In Case of Emergency**

Family Physician \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Health Insurance Provider \_\_\_\_\_

Policy No. \_\_\_\_\_ Group No. \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact if no answer at home.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently taking any prescription medication(s) or have any medical conditions that could affect your assigned duties of a chaperone? If so, please explain.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**CHAPERONE CERTIFICATION FORM**

In accordance with school board policy and the Code of Virginia, Title 22.1-296.1, applicants for chaperone duty with Scott County Public School are required to make certifications regarding criminal convictions. These certifications are required of all candidates for chaperone and the school board cannot use as chaperones persons who cannot make these certifications.

READ THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING:

I hereby certify that I have NOT been convicted of a felony and that I have NOT been convicted of any offense involving the sexual molestation, physical, or sexual abuse, or rape of a child in any jurisdiction in the United States of America.

(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

I hereby certify that I have NOT been convicted of any crime of morel turpitude (for purposes of this certification, moral turpitude is defined as any act involving lying, cheating, stealing- regardless of amount, making false statements of forgery) in any jurisdiction in the United States of America.

(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

I hereby certify that I have NOT been the subject of a founded case of child abuse and/or neglect by a Department of Social Services in this Commonwealth or by a similar agency in any jurisdiction in the United States of America.

(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

Anyone making a materially false statement regarding any of the above certifications may be charged with a Class 1 misdemeanor.

**APPROVAL OF RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION STUDENT NUMBER 070801:** On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. McClelland,

all members voting aye, the board approved the religious exemption request of student number 070801 according to 22.1-254(B)(1) of the Code of Virginia as amended.

**APPROVAL OF SCHOOL EMPLOYEES SELF-FUNDED SCHOOL HEALTH INSURANCE COMMITTEE:** On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mr. Meade, seconded by Mrs. McClelland, all members voting aye, the board approved the School Employees Self-funded School Health Insurance Committee as follows:

Lowell Campbell	School Board Member
Jim Scott	Central Office Representative
Kelsey Taylor	Principal/Supervisor
Adam Keith	Secondary Teacher
Jessica Day	Elementary Teacher
Gayle Ervin	Elementary Teacher
Patricia Nash	Support Staff
Susan Greear	Retiree

**APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS/SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE:** On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Catron, all members voting aye, the board approved the Communications/School Improvement Committee as follows:

Karen Seaver	Duffield Primary School
Alicia White	Dungannon Intermediate School
Amy Porter	Fort Blackmore Primary School
Travis Gilmer	Gate City High School
Robert Perry	Gate City Middle School
Bridgett Rose-Barnette	Hilton Elementary School
Jennifer Collins	Nickelsville Elementary School
Andrea Gardner	Rye Cove High School
Whitney Herron	Rye Cove Intermediate School
Judy Hensley	Scott County Career & Technical Center
Dawn Williams	Shoemaker Elementary School
Jason McCarty	Twin Springs High School
Alice Fritz/Kellie Johnson	Weber City Elementary School
Jean Bellamy	Yuma Elementary School
Jim Scott	Superintendent
Beth Blair	School Board Member
Kellie Johnson	Principal Representative
Angie Vermillion	Support Staff Representative
Lisa Brown	SCEA Representative

**APPROVAL OF SALARY, FRINGE BENEFITS, AND SCHOOL CALENDAR COMMITTEE:** On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the board approved the Salary, Fringe Benefits, and School Calendar Committee as follows:

Melissa Craft	Duffield Primary School
Angel Hughes	Dungannon Intermediate School
David Gwinn	Fort Blackmore Primary School
Teresa Dishner	Gate City High School
Teresa Gardner	Gate City Middle School
Joel Jenkins	Hilton Elementary School
Lisa Brown	Nickelsville Elementary School
Barry Wolfe	Rye Cove High School
Patricia Currier	Rye Cove Intermediate School
Rita Barger	Scott County Career & Technical Center
Kari White	Shoemaker Elementary School
Joey Shipley	Twin Springs High School
Marie Barker	Weber City Elementary School
Tina Lucas	Yuma Elementary School
Darryl Johnson	Director of Operations/Central Office Representative
Johnny Trent	SCEA Representative
John Ferguson	Principal Representative
Margaret Susan Looney	Support Staff Representative

**APPROVAL OF CHARACTER EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the board approved the Character Education Development Committee as follows:

Susan Greene	Central Office Representative
Nathan Catron	School Board Member
Greg Ervin	Principal
Judy Calton	Community Member
Dennis Fritz	Parent
Seth Clark	Middle School Student
Chynna Roberts	Secondary School Student
Jim O'Carroll	Community Member
Angela White	Parent/Community Member

**APPROVAL OF PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS:** On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mr. Meade, seconded by Mr. Catron, all members voting aye, the board approved the Parent Advisory Council for Federal Programs as follows:

Susan Green	Title I Supervisor
Lisa McConnell	Duffield Primary School
Sandy Green	Dungannon Intermediate School
Lucille Baker	Fort Blackmore Primary School
Kim Jenkins	Gate City High School
Nikki Gardner	Hilton Elementary School
Tammy Hartsock	Nickelsville Elementary School
Carol Edwards	Rye Cove High School
Donna Palmer	Shoemaker Elementary School
Linda Laney	Twin Springs High School
Betty McMurray	Weber City Elementary School
Amy Sallee	Yuma Elementary School

**APPROVAL OF REMEDIAL COMMITTEE:** On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mr. Catron, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the board approved the Remedial Committee as follows:

Michael Brickey	Central Office Representative/Secondary Supervisor
Tammy Quillen	Remediation Coordinator/ Elementary Supervisor
Susan Greene	Director of Food Services
Joe Meade	School Board Member
Patty Collier	Cooperative Extension
Joy Davidson	Teacher
Rhonda Dorton	Teacher
Kim Davidson	Parent
Kim Gray	Parent

**DISCUSSION REGARDING A RESOLUTION PASSED BY RUSSELL COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD CONCERNING THE ANNUAL VIRGINIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION STATE CONFERENCE:**

Superintendent Scott submitted to board members a copy of a resolution passed by the Russell County School Board concerning the Annual Virginia School Boards Association State Conference.

**UPDATE OF 2006-07 TEST RESULTS, STATE ACCREDITATION, AND AYP:**

Superintendent Scott explained that it will be late September or early October before the school division receives the final results from the state. Mrs. McClelland, board member/former math teacher, stated that she would like to discuss the test results further with Mrs. Quillen and would like to offer her assistance to the schools. Superintendent Scott stated that would be great. He submitted SOL Testing and NCLB/AYP data received from Ms. Tammy Quillen, Director of Testing, as follows:

**SOL TESTING**

- ❖ Preliminary 2006-2007 scores received are expected to slightly increase when VDOE factors in the VGLA and VAAP (alternative assessments) scores. All students who participated in a VGLA/VAAP passed; however their scores have not been released.
- ❖ Summer school scores have not been finalized and released. These will also affect the final outcome.



NCLB / AYP

- ❖ The AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) was released to school districts on August 20<sup>th</sup>. While this report is also preliminary, once again **ALL** Scott County Schools made AYP.
- ❖ For a Virginia school or school division to have made AYP during 2006-2007, at least 73 percent of students overall and students in all subgroups (white, black, Hispanic, limited English, students with disabilities and economically disadvantaged) must have demonstrated proficiency on statewide tests in reading, and 71 percent of students overall and in all subgroups must have demonstrated proficiency in mathematics. The AYP benchmarks for achievement in reading and mathematics were each four points higher than during the previous school year.

## AYP:

Benchmark for all English students 73%      Scott Co. students = 89.66%  
 Benchmark for all Math students 71%      Scott Co. students = 88.47%

**MAINTENANCE UPDATE:** Superintendent Scott reported that due to the long period of high temperatures, the air conditioning units within the school system are in constant need of attention. He provided an update on some of the ongoing maintenance projects: Yuma Elementary School Classroom Addition, Rye Cove High School Field House, Twin Springs High School Gymnasium and Duffield Primary School Roofing Project. He also reported on other proposed projects that need to be done, with one being the open classroom situation at Hilton Elementary School. He hopes to have a proposed project plan for helping the situation soon.

**WEBER CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EASEMENT FOR SCOTT COUNTY PUBLIC SEWER AUTHORITY:** On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mr. Meade, seconded by Mr. Catron, all members voting aye, the board approved the Weber City Elementary School Easement for the Scott County Public Sewer Authority. (Appendix B)

**APPROVAL OF CAFETERIA SALARY SCALE AND SUPPLEMENTS:** Superintendent Scott reported that changes were necessary to the salary scale in order for the cafeteria personnel to be paid for the total number of hours they are working. Also, he submitted a proposed supplement scale for cafeteria managers with a salary ranged based on the enrollment at the school. He stated that the first payroll for this school year will begin on September 30 and, if approved, these changes could be made effective for this school year with no problems for the school division. It was requested that the public be made aware that the supplement being paid to the cafeteria managers is for management duties that are over and above what the other cafeteria personnel are responsible for. On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mr. Meade, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the board approved the Cafeteria Salary Scale and Cafeteria Manager Supplements as follows:

	<b>COOKS</b>			
<b>STEP</b>	<b>6.5 HOURS</b>	<b>7 HOURS</b>		
0	\$ 11,030	\$ 11,875		
1	\$ 11,580	\$ 12,470		
2	\$ 12,140	\$ 13,070		
3	\$ 12,700	\$ 13,675		
4	\$ 13,255	\$ 14,270		
5	\$ 13,815	\$ 14,875		
6	\$ 14,375	\$ 15,480		
7	\$ 14,935	\$ 16,085		
8	\$ 15,615	\$ 16,815		
9	\$ 16,135	\$ 17,375		
<b>MANAGERS</b>				

<b>STEP</b>	<b>7 HOURS</b>			
0	\$ 11,875			
1	\$ 12,470			
2	\$ 13,070			
3	\$ 13,675			
4	\$ 14,270			
5	\$ 14,875		<b>SUPPLEMENTS</b>	
6	\$ 15,480		<b>ENROLLMENT + HEADSTART</b>	<b>SALARY RANGE</b>
7	\$ 16,085		0-199	\$ 2,000
8	\$ 16,815		200-399	\$ 3,000
9	\$ 17,375		400+	\$ 4,000

**CLOSED MEETING:** There was no motion to enter into a closed meeting.

**RESIGNATIONS:** On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations, and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Catron, all members voting aye, the board approved the resignation request of Ms. Allison Baltimore, speech teacher, effective September 7, 2007.

On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations, and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Catron, all members voting aye, the board approved the resignation request of Mr. Tony Shelton, maintenance employee, effective September 5, 2007.

On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations, and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mrs. McClelland, all members voting aye, the board approved the resignation request of Mrs. Rebecca Vincent, school nurse, effective September 4, 2007. Chairman Kindle requested that the school division make whatever changes necessary to ensure that nursing services needed at the Rye Cove schools are provided. Superintendent Scott and Mr. Johnson assured Chairman Kindle that the schools would have the services necessary and that the school division would be advertising for a replacement for the nursing position.

**EMPLOYMENT:** On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations, and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the board approved the employment of part-time cafeteria employees, Pamela Castle and Carolyn Singleton, for the 2007-08 school year.

On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations, and on a motion by Mr. Catron, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the board approved the employment of Cathy Criswell (part-time to full-time cafeteria employee) and Tammy Templeton (full-time) cafeteria employee for the 2007-08 school year.

On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations, and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the board approved the employment of Stephanie Gollehon, speech teacher, for the 2007-08 school year.

**RESIGNATIONS:** On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations, and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Catron, all members voting aye, the board approved the resignation request of Mrs. Tanya K. McClellan, school bus driver and part-time cafeteria employee, effective for the 2007-08 school year. Mrs. McClellan will remain on the substitute school bus driver list.

On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operation, and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the board approved the resignation request of

Mrs. Valerie R. Babb as Gate City High School Junior Varsity Softball Coach, effective August 29, 2007. Mrs. Babb will remain as a volunteer softball coach.

**EMPLOYMENT:** On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations, and on a motion by Mr. Meade, seconded by Mr. McClelland, all members voting aye, the board approved the employment of Barbara Head and Randy Ward as custodians for the 2007-08 school year, effective September 5, 2007.

On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations, and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Catron, all members voting aye, the board approved the employment of Michelle White as a full-time cafeteria employee for the 2007-08 school year.

On the recommendation of Mr. Darryl E. Johnson, Director of Operations, and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the board approved the employment of Lisa Johnson as a school bus driver for the 2007-08 school year.

**ITEMS BY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:** Mrs. McClelland submitted a Proclamation in recognition of Constitution Week 2007. She stated that she has a proclamation and other information to be sent to all schools and that in accordance with the federal law the schools are to provide instruction on the Constitution. On a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Catron, all members voting aye, the board approved the Proclamation in recognition of Constitution Week 2007 (September 17-23) as follows:

***PROCLAMATION  
Constitution Week 2007***

*Whereas, September 17, 2007 marks the two hundred and twentieth anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and*

*Whereas, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize this magnificent document and the anniversary of its creation; and*

*Whereas, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion; and*

*Whereas, public law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as constitution week;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, we the members of the School Board of Scott County, Virginia do hereby proclaim September 17 through 23, 2007 to be*

***CONSTITUTION WEEK***

*In the Scott County School System and ask our students and staff to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787.*

*The Seal is affixed and signed on this fourth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand seven.*

*David T. Kindle, Chairman (Signature)*

*Lowell S. Campbell, Board Member (Signature)*

*Joe D. Meade, Vice Chairman (Signature)*

*Nathan K. Catron, Board Member (Signature)*

*Gloria E. "Beth" Blair, Board Member (Signature)*

*Kathy J. McClelland, Board Member (Signature)*

**SCHOOL SAFETY:** Mrs. Blair requested that the school division make sure all teachers receive identification cards and suggested that the substitute teachers be provided identification cards.

Superintendent Scott stated that he would follow-up on the identification cards request presented by Mrs. Blair. He also notified board members that each individual school's *School Safety Plans* are here if they wished to take the opportunity to review them.

Mrs. McClelland asked about inside locks for the classrooms. Superintendent Scott reported that the school division is currently in the process of reviewing the school situations and plans are being made to ensure that all classroom doors have an inside lock. He also expressed that he felt it is important to make sure that shades are on all of the windows in the classrooms so that the shades can be pulled down for safety purposes.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Campbell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m., motion was seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye. The next meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, October 2, 2007, in the School Board Office Conference Room.

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David T. Kindle, Chairman

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Loretta Q. Page, Clerk