

**SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2010**

The Scott County School Board met for a public hearing on the Scott County Public Schools Comprehensive Strategic Plan for 2010-2016 and a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 6, 2010, in the School Board Office Conference Room in Gate City, Virginia, with the following members present:

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

OTHERS PRESENT: John Ferguson, Assistant Superintendent; Greg Baker, School Board Attorney; Loretta Q. Page, Clerk; K.C. Linkous, Deputy Clerk; Justin Forrester, Scott County Education Association President; Billy Nash, Maintenance Employee; Nancy Godsey, Citizen; Gerald Miller, Town of Duffield Mayor; David Hartley, Heritage TV; Ramona Russell, Duffield Primary School Teaching Assistant; Suzanne Goins, Virginia Professional Educators; Helen Henderson, Scott County Public School Head Start Director; Wade Smith, Hilton Community Member/Rexel; John Hamilton, Citizen; Delonda Spivey, Gate City Girls Tennis Team Coach; Kelly Spivey, Gate City Girls Tennis Team Assistant Coach; Jordan Barnes, Tori Bowen, Alex Fritz and Taylor Evans, Gate City Girls Tennis Team Members.

CALL TO ORDER - PUBLIC HEARING: Chairman Jessee called the Public Hearing to order at 5:45 p.m. Chairman Jessee stated that the purpose of the meeting is for a public hearing on the Draft Scott County Public Schools Comprehensive Strategic Plan for 2010-2016.

APPROVAL OF PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA: On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the Board approved the agenda as submitted.

PUBLIC HEARING ON DRAFT SCOTT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR 2010-2016/ADJOURNMENT: The audience was given an opportunity for public comments on the Draft Scott County Public Schools Comprehensive Strategic Plan for 2010-2016. After a brief period and there being no comments from citizens, Chairman Jessee asked for a motion to close the public hearing. On a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board closed the public hearing on the Draft Scott County Public Schools Comprehensive Strategic Plan for 2010-2016. On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board adjourned the public hearing at 5:48 p.m. Chairman Jessee informed the public that the regular meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER- REGULAR MEETING: Chairman Jessee called the Regular Meeting of the Scott County School Board to order at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Jessee recognized that one school board member, Mrs. McClelland, is absent this evening since she had other business to attend to upstate. Chairman Jessee stated that he was glad to see everyone and expressed appreciation for their interest in the school system. Members of the audience cited the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA: On a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board approved the agenda as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

GATE CITY SPORTS RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED: Chairman Jessee asked school board members, Mr. Campbell and Mr. Templeton, to present the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Team, Doubles Team and Singles Team Resolutions to the coaches and team members present. Ms. Delonda Spivey, coach, explained that four team members are present (Jordan Barnes – Senior, Tori Bowen – Junior, Alex Fritz and Taylor Evans – Sophomores) and that five members are currently out of town. Board members expressed congratulations to the coaches and team members and appreciation for their hard work, outstanding season and a job well done in representing the county. They were also commended for winning six Tennis State Championships in the past eight years, an extraordinary achievement. Resolutions of recognition from the Board for Gate City High School were as follows:

RESOLUTION
GATE CITY HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TENNIS TEAM
2010 CLINCH MOUNTAIN DISTRICT, REGION D, AND
GROUP A STATE CHAMPION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County School Board of Scott County, Virginia, on July 6, 2010, as follows:
WHEREAS, the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Team has achieved an outstanding tennis season by winning 20 games and losing 1,

WHEREAS, the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Team won the Clinch Mountain District, Region D Tournament, and Group A State Championships,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes to extend congratulations to the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Team for winning the Clinch Mountain District, Region D Tournament, and Group A State Championships,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board acknowledges the outstanding performance of the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Team and is proud of the fine manner in which the team has represented Scott County,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes continued success for the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Team and coaches,

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 Girls Tennis Team.

James K. Jessee, Chairman
Gloria E. "Beth" Blair, Board Member
Joe D. Meade, Board Member
ATTEST:

Lowell S. Campbell, Vice Chairman
Katherine "Kathy" J. McClelland, Board Member
Dennis C. Templeton, Board Member
James B. Scott, Division Superintendent

RESOLUTION
GATE CITY HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TENNIS DOUBLES TEAM
2010 CLINCH MOUNTAIN DISTRICT, REGION D, GROUP A STATE RUNNER-UP

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County School Board of Scott County, Virginia, on July 7, 2009, as follows:
WHEREAS, the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Doubles Team, consisting of Tori Bowen and Morgan Taylor, have achieved an outstanding tennis season as a Girls Tennis Doubles Team Group A State Runner-up,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes to extend congratulations to the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Doubles Team, consisting of Tori Bowen and Morgan Taylor, for winning the Clinch Mountain District and Region D and being Group A State Runner-up,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board acknowledges the outstanding performance of the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Doubles Team, consisting of Tori Bowen and Morgan Taylor, and is proud of the fine manner in which they represented Scott County,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes continued success for the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Doubles Team, consisting of Tori Bowen and Morgan Taylor, 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 Girls Tennis Doubles Team, consisting of Tori Bowen and Morgan Taylor, and the coaches.

James K. Jessee, Chairman
Gloria E. "Beth" Blair, Board Member
Joe D. Meade, Board Member
ATTEST:

Lowell S. Campbell, Vice Chairman
Katherine "Kathy" J. McClelland, Board Member
Dennis C. Templeton, Board Member
James B. Scott, Division Superintendent

RESOLUTION
GATE CITY HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TENNIS SINGLES
2010 CLINCH MOUNTAIN DISTRICT AND REGION D CHAMPION
AND GROUP A STATE RUNNER-UP

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County School Board of Scott County, Virginia, on July 6, 2010, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Singles, Jordan Barnes, has achieved an outstanding tennis season with 19 wins and 2 losses,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes to extend congratulations to the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Singles, Jordan Barnes, for winning the Clinch Mountain District and Region D Championships and being Group A State Runner-up,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board acknowledges the outstanding performance of the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Singles, Jordan Barnes, and is proud of the fine manner in which she represented Scott County,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes continued success for the Gate City High School Girls Tennis Singles, Jordan Barnes, 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 Girls Tennis Singles, Jordan Barnes, and the coaches.

James K. Jessee, Chairman
Gloria E. "Beth" Blair, Board Member
Joe D. Meade, Board Member
ATTEST:

Lowell S. Campbell, Vice Chairman
Katherine "Kathy" J. McClelland, Board Member
Dennis C. Templeton, Board Member
James B. Scott, Division Superintendent

RESOLUTION
GATE CITY HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER TEAM
2010 CLINCH MOUNTAIN DISTRICT AND REGION D CHAMPION
STATE QUARTER-FINAL GAME WINNER AND STATE SEMI-FINAL PARTICIPANT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County School Board of Scott County, Virginia, on July 6, 2010, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Gate City High School Girls Soccer Team has achieved an outstanding soccer season by achieving 17 wins and 2 losses,

WHEREAS, the Gate City High School Girls Soccer Team has achieved an outstanding soccer season by winning the Clinch Mountain District and Region D Championships and winning the State Quarter-final Game and participating in the State Semi-final Game,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes to extend congratulations to the Gate City High School Girls Soccer Team as the Clinch Mountain District and Region D Champion and for winning the State Quarter-final Game and participating in the State Semi-final Game,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board acknowledges the outstanding performance of the Gate City High School Girls Soccer Team and is proud of the fine manner in which the team has represented Scott County,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes continued success for the Gate City High School Girls Soccer Team and coaches,

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 Girls Soccer Team.

James K. Jessee, Chairman
Gloria E. "Beth" Blair, Board Member
Joe D. Meade, Board Member
ATTEST:

Lowell S. Campbell, Vice Chairman
Katherine "Kathy" J. McClelland, Board Member
Dennis C. Templeton, Board Member
James B. Scott, Division Superintendent

**RESOLUTION
GATE CITY HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM
2010 REGION D RUNNER-UP
GROUP A STATE QUARTER-FINAL WINNER AND STATE SEMI-FINAL PARTICIPANT**

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

WHEREAS, the Gate City High School Baseball Team has achieved an outstanding baseball season by winning 21 games and losing 7,

WHEREAS, the Gate City High School Baseball Team was Region D Runner Up, won the State Quarter-final Games and participated in the State Semi-final Game,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes to extend congratulations to the Gate City High School Baseball Team for being the Region D Runner Up, winning the State Quarter-final Game and participating in the State Semi-final Game,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board acknowledges the outstanding performance of the Gate City High School Baseball Team and is proud of the fine manner in which the team has represented Scott County,

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board wishes continued success for the Gate City High School Baseball Team and coaches,

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 Baseball Team.

James K. Jessee, Chairman
Gloria E. "Beth" Blair, Board Member
Joe D. Meade, Board Member
ATTEST:

Lowell S. Campbell, Vice Chairman
Katherine "Kathy" J. McClelland, Board Member
Dennis C. Templeton, Board Member
James B. Scott, Division Superintendent

SCOTT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL HEAD START CHILD OUTCOMES – HELEN HENDERSON, HEAD START DIRECTOR: Helen Henderson, Head Start Director, handed out a comparison report, *School Readiness Outcomes 2008-2009 & 2009-2010*, including both fall and spring results and she explained outcomes on the eight categories, which are reviewed by the state: (Name Writing, Alphabet - upper case letter recognition, Alphabet – letter sounds, Alphabet – lowercase letter recognition, Print and word awareness, Beginning sounds awareness, Rhyme awareness and Nursery Rhyme Awareness). She reported that the number of snow days missed and two hour delays, as well as, the early dismissal this past year, did make a big difference with the percentage of student gains. She reported that the outcomes report provides information for teachers to use in preparation for this coming year's instruction.

Ms. Henderson presented details on the comprehensive services, including basic health and family needs available through the program; and, those required by regulations. She explained the requirements of serving students with disabilities and that the Head Start Program is working with the school system to determine how Head start can help the school system with the cost in serving these children. She further explained that the school system is the only one that can make the determination for the need of disability services.

Ms. Henderson expressed appreciation for the terrific support of the school board members for their personal, as well as, group support during the onsite review and the risk assessment management meeting.

Ms. Henderson reported that as of today 47 total students are still needed to meet the full enrollment (173) that can be served and she provided details on the number of students that are needed for specific areas of the county.

Chairman Jessee thanked Ms. Henderson for the excellent job she does as Director of the Head Start Program.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 1, 2010 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: On a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the minutes of the June 1, 2010 Regular Meeting as submitted.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 29, 2010 SCHOOL BUDGET CLOSE-OUT MEETING MINUTES: On a motion by Mr. Meade, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the Board approved the minutes of the June 29, 2010 School Budget Close-out Meeting as submitted.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the Board approved payroll and claims as follows: School Operating Fund invoices & payroll in the amount of \$1,490,439.06 as shown by warrants #8096034-8096272 (#8096057 & 8096161 voided) \$1,134,400.16 electronic payroll direct deposit & \$80,877.52 electronic payroll tax deposit. Cafeteria Fund invoices & payroll as shown by warrants #1013110 (BB&T) \$107,750.00 & #1013300-1013349 (#1013349 voided) (New Peoples Bank) \$64,936.53 and \$12,520.09 electronic payroll tax deposit. Scott County Head Start invoices & payroll in the amount of \$42,387.34 as shown by warrants #8884-8936.

ITEMS BY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS - DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE DELEGATE SELECTION: Mr. Templeton nominated Mr. Campbell to represent the Board as delegate at the Delegate Assembly and Regional Meeting of the 2010 VSBA Annual Convention to be held November 17-19, motion was seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye.

Mr. Templeton made a motion to nominate Mr. Meade to represent the Board as the alternate delegate at the Delegate Assembly and Regional Meeting of the 2010 VSBA Annual Convention to be held November 17-19. Mr. Meade nominated Mr. Templeton as the alternate delegate. There being no second to the motion for Mr. Templeton's selection as alternate delegate; Mr. Campbell seconded the motion for Mr. Meade, all members voting aye.

COMMENTS FROM CHAIRMAN JESSEE: Chairman Jessee informed fellow members and the audience that Superintendent Scott is on vacation and that Mr. John I. Ferguson, Assistant Superintendent, will present the *Items By Superintendent*.

APPROVAL OF REVISED POLICY – REGULATIONS MANUAL: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the revised Scott County Public Schools Policy – Regulations Manual as submitted.

APPROVAL OF STUDENT/PARENT HANDBOOK & CODE OF CONDUCT: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Student/Parent Handbook & Code of Conduct as submitted.

APPROVAL OF SCHOOL ALLOCATIONS: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board approved school allocations as follows:

2010-2011 ALLOCATIONS								
	COPIERS	REMEDIAL/INSTR.	LIBRARY	BUS/TECH	FAM. SCI.	BAND	CUSTODIAL	1ST. HALF TOTAL
DUFFIELD	\$2,850.00	\$3,900.00	\$900.00				\$6,300.00	\$13,950.00
DUNGANNON	\$2,000.00	\$1,750.00	\$700.00				\$1,838.00	\$6,288.00
FORT BLACKMORE	\$2,000.00	\$750.00	\$650.00				\$1,785.00	\$5,185.00
GATE CITY HIGH	\$3,250.00	\$7,500.00	\$1,400.00	\$2,250.00	\$2,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$9,240.00	\$31,640.00
GATE CITY MIDDLE	\$3,350.00	\$8,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$9,975.00	\$26,325.00
HILTON	\$2,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00				\$3,412.00	\$8,412.00
NICKELSVILLE	\$2,650.00	\$4,000.00	\$1,100.00				\$5,015.00	\$12,765.00
RYE COVE HIGH	\$2,800.00	\$5,000.00	\$1,050.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,750.00	\$5,855.00	\$21,955.00
RYE COVE INT.	\$2,500.00	\$1,750.00	\$900.00				\$3,150.00	\$8,300.00
SHOEMAKER	\$3,250.00	\$5,500.00	\$1,500.00				\$8,925.00	\$19,175.00
TWIN SPRINGS	\$2,750.00	\$4,500.00	\$1,050.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,750.00	\$5,515.00	\$21,065.00
WEBER CITY	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$1,400.00				\$7,220.00	\$16,620.00
YUMA	\$2,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$750.00				\$3,150.00	\$7,900.00
SCVS	\$2,750.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00				\$7,350.00	\$60,100.00
TOTAL	\$38,150.00	\$100,650.00	\$13,900.00	\$7,250.00	\$5,500.00	\$15,500.00	\$78,730.00	\$259,680.00

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF EARLY INVOICES RESOLUTION: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Payment of Early Invoices Resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Scott County School Board desires to practice financial accountability, and

WHEREAS, certain invoices are of the nature that add interest charges and additional late charges for the registration fees after a prescribed number of days, and

WHEREAS, certain invoices have a discount applied if paid within a prescribed number of days, and

WHEREAS, these interest, late, and additional charges are viewed as unnecessary expense,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Scott County School Board authorizes the Purchasing Clerk to forward upon approval of the Superintendent invoices for payment as follows: Verizon, AT&T, American Electric Power Company, Bristol Utilities Board, Division of Motor Vehicles, Dungannon Water Department, Exxon Company, Gate City Water Department, MBNA America (Mastercard) Platinum Plus for Business, MountaiNet, Nickelsville Water Department, Office Depot, Office Max, Powell Valley Electric Company, Scott County Telephone Cooperative, Scott County Public Service Authority, Scott Telecom & Electronics, Embarq, Virginia State Police, Board approved and/or bidden contracted maintenance/construction invoices, architect and engineering invoices, insurance and Board invoices, registration fees, invoices stating discounts, and invoices involving grants that are to be used for reimbursement purposes.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of these prepaid invoices be presented to the School Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Legal Reference: Code of Virginia 22.1-122

Chairman (signature)

Clerk (signature)

July 6, 2010

APPROVAL OF SCOTT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR 2010-2016: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Meade,

all members voting aye, the Board approved the Scott County Public Schools Comprehensive Strategic Plan for 2010-2016 as submitted.

CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Templeton made a motion to enter into a closed meeting at 6:24 p.m., according to Section 2.2-3711A(1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended, to discuss central office staff and coaches and to discuss possible acquisition and/or disposition of real estate, as provided in Section 2.2-3711A(3) of the Code of Virginia, as amended; motion was seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye.

RETURN FROM CLOSED MEETING: All members returned from closed meeting at 7:30 p.m. and on a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board returned to regular session and considered 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, Joe Meade, Dennis Templeton

Nays: None

ABSENT DURING VOTE: None ABSENT DURING MEETING: None

APPROVAL OF LEGAL COUNSEL TO PREPARE ADVERTISEMENT FOR SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. Templeton made a motion that the Board authorize their legal counsel to prepare an advertisement for the vacancy of school superintendent with the desired and required qualifications, motion was seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye.

RE-EMPLOYMENT: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson, and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the Board approved the re-employment of Jacqueline Hazlett Meade as an elementary teacher for the 2010-2011 school year.

On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson, and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board approved the re-employment of school bus drivers for the 2010-2011 school year as follows (pending passing a school bus driver physical):

Akers, William Don
Benton, Tim
Bledsoe, Deborah
Bouton, Robert
Bowen, James
Brickey, Melinda
Cantrell, Linda
Combs, Jack
Dooley, Cathy

Keith, Carl
Kinkead, David
Lane, Valerie
Marshall, Greg
Marshall, Shirley
McDavid, Nancy
McMurray, Dale
Moore, Kevin
Nash, G. E.

Emmons, Paul
Estepp, Rhonda Robin
Flanary, Billy
Fugate, Charles
Godsey, Allen
Gray, Charlie B.
Harmon, Dexter
Hass, Donna
Hass, Hazel
Hood, Donna
Hood, Garry
Johnson, Judy
Johnson, Lisa
Jones, Donna
Justice, Geneva Ashley
Kegley, Grover (Jr.)

Nash, Odene
Odle, Anthony
Odle, Billy
Pape, Phoebe
Russell, Lisa
Salyer, Donald
Sanders, Lee Roy
Shelton, Eva J.
Singleton, Carolyn
Sluss, Kenneth
Taylor, Charles O.
Taylor, Charlie R.
Taylor, Jack
Tipton, Doris
Vermillion, Nadine
Williams, Adam

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

James Kay Jessee, Chairman

Loretta Q. Page, Clerk