

**SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2010**

The Scott County School Board met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, September 7, 2010, in the School Board Office Conference Room in Gate City, Virginia, with the following members present:

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

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: James B. Scott, Superintendent; 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 and Ronnie Godsey, Citizens; Gerald Miller, Town of Duffield Mayor; David Hartley, Heritage TV; Ramona Russell, Duffield Primary School Teaching Assistant; Suzanne Goins, Virginia Professional Educators; Carl Newman, Citizen; Trisha Currier, Virginia Professional Educators/RCI & FBP Librarian; John Hamilton, Citizen; Travis Nickels, Duffield Primary School Principal; Lisa McCarty, Scott County Virginia Star; Margaret Meade, Citizen; Tammy Quillen, Director of Testing; Danny Parks, County Board of Supervisors Member & spouse, Brenda; Rufus Hood, County Administrator; Bill Gilmer, County of Scott Public Works Department; and, Wes Bunch, Kingsport Times News.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Jessee called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He welcomed everyone in attendance and thanked them for their interest in the school system. He asked Carl Newman to lead the audience in citing the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Chairman Jessee read a letter presented by Mrs. Nancy Godsey in recognition of the recent death of Ashley Ann Williams, former Gate City High School student/athlete and member of the first Gate City High School Girls Softball Team Championship in 2002. He asked for a moment of silence and that her family be remembered in prayer.

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

APPROVAL OF PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF CONSTITUTION WEEK – SEPTEMBER 17 - 23: Kathy McClelland, School Board Member & Carter's Fort Daughters of the American Revolution Member, asked fellow members to adopt the proclamation submitted by Kay Culbertson, Chairman of the Carter's Fort DAR, in recognition and celebration of the adoption of the constitution. She reported that the Carter's Fort DAR, an active group for the past 25 years, distributed information to all of the schools and explained that this meets the requirements of federal law. She stated that this coming Saturday, September 11, is being recognized as Patriot's Day and asked audience members to take a moment on that day to be thankful once again for our freedom and that our government still stands.

On a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Carter's Fort Chapter NSDAR Constitution Week Proclamation as follows:

CARTER'S FORT CHAPTER NSDAR

WHEREAS: September 17, 2010 marks the two hundred twenty-third anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitution Convention; and

WHEREAS: It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary; and to the patriotic celebration 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 September 23 Constitution Week,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James Kay Jessee, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Chairman of the Scott County School Board do hereby proclaim September 17 through 23 as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

AND ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals of the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties, remembering that lost rights may never be regained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand to be affixed this 7th day of September of the year of our Lord two thousand ten.

James Kay Jessee, Chairman (Signature)

PUBLIC COMMENTS: A parent with children attending both Shoemaker/Yuma Elementary Schools expressed concern in regard to the recent shooting (at a school division in Tennessee) and stated that a key card or some type security system is needed at the schools.

Chairman Jessee reported that the school system does have a key card security system in place at both Weber City and Duffield Elementary Schools. He reported that there are plans to install these type systems at all schools; however, he explained that due to budget restraints the Board hasn't been able to do so. He reported that security measures are taken by administrators at the schools and that there should only be one door for access into the school. Mrs. McClelland suggested to the parent that he could speak to the County Board of Supervisors regarding funding for school security systems.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 3, 2010 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: On a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board approved the August 3, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 30, 2010 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES: On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. McClelland, all members voting aye, the Board approved the August 30, 2010 Special Meeting Minutes.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2010 ADJOURNED MEETING MINUTES: On a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the September 2, 2010 Adjourned Meeting Minutes.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2010 ADJOURNED MEETING MINUTES: On a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mrs. McClelland, all members voting aye, the Board approved the September 3, 2010 Adjourned Meeting Minutes.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: In regard to the invoices for diesel fuel, Mrs. McClelland asked about usage and Superintendent Scott reported on the number of tanks in the school system and usage by the transportation department. On a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board approved payroll and claims as follows: School Operating Fund invoices & payroll in the amount of \$1,215,501.50 as shown by warrants #8096531-8096909 & \$1,079,585.47 electronic payroll direct deposit & \$503,430.36 electronic payroll tax deposit. Cafeteria Fund invoices & payroll in the amount of \$115,938.53 as shown by warrants #1013402-1013468 & \$10,317.44 electronic payroll tax deposit. Scott County Head Start invoices & payroll in the amount of \$51,616.28 as shown by warrants #8986-9052.

REPORT ON 2009-2010 FINAL SOL TEST RESULTS: Tammy Quillen, Director of Testing, presented 2009-2010 Final SOL test results & four-year summary as follows:

Standards of Learning Scores by Test				
<i>Scott County Schools</i>	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007
Gr 3 History	99	98	97	97
Gr 3 Mathematics	97	98	98	97
Gr 3 Reading	94	95	94	85
Gr 3 Science	98	98	97	96
Gr 4 Mathematics	97	93	93	90
Gr 4 Reading	96	92	94	93
Virginia Studies	96	96	90	89
Gr 5 Mathematics	97	96	95	96
Gr 5 Reading	95	95	96	88
Gr 5 Science	96	97	96	93
US History to 1877	87	86	84	77
Gr 6 Mathematics	81	87	79	75
Gr 6 Reading	97	97	89	91
US History 1877 to Present	98	99	97	91
Gr 7 Mathematics	87	85	79	79
Gr 7 Reading	96	92	90	88
Civics	94	91	90	89

Gr 8 Mathematics	93	89	91	83
Gr 8 Reading	87	93	83	85
Gr 8 Science	95	94	92	93
Virginia & US History	97	95	99	98
World Geography	85	79	86	93
Algebra I	96	92	93	92
Algebra II	92	88	87	89
Biology	92	92	91	96
Chemistry	99	99	97	96
Earth Science	90	91	79	89
English: Reading	95	90	89	98
Geometry	88	92	95	95
World History I	95	90	86	93

Ms. Quillen presented the school division's Overall Academic Achievement Percentage Pass Rates for English (94%), Math (94%), Writing (93%), History (96%) and Science (97%). She explained that, for the most part, results showed a growth and pointed out that central office staff reviews test data and sits down with a panel to look at strengths and weaknesses to determine needs. She presented data depicting Scott County as being ranked 3rd in the state in Reading and 4th in Math. She reported that 1,104 (out of 1,853) Virginia schools made AYP, all Scott County Schools made AYP, 12 out of 132 school divisions (including Scott County) made AYP but the state (Virginia) did not. She expressed thanks for the dedication and support of the Board of Supervisors, School Board, administrators, teachers, parents and students.

APPROVAL OF HEAD START PROGRAM CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN:

Chairman Jessee reported that he has two Head Start non-compliance items needing board action on the corrective action plan. He explained that this is what members were notified of at the last (regular) meeting. He reported that he participated in a conference call concerning the non-compliance issues with Head Start Director, Helen Henderson; Judy Calton, Head Start Fiscal Officer; Policy council Community Representative, Kevin Helms; Financial Consultant, Jim Fern; Auditor, Ron Bostic and Head Start Regional Representatives to communicate a plan of corrective action of which was discussed and agreed upon.

On the recommendation of Chairman Jessee and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the following Head Start Program Corrective Action Plan:

SCOTT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL HEAD START GRANT # 03CHO360
CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

AS REQUIRED BY 2010 HEAD START ONSITE REVIEW REPORT RECEIVED 7/25/10

This Corrective Action Plan is submitted to Scott County School Board for approval on Tuesday, September 7, 2010 and will be submitted to Policy Council for approval on

September 16, 2010. Following approval, the Corrective Action Plan will be submitted to the Office of Head Start, Washington, DC, no later than November 19, 2010. A desk review will then be conducted by the Office of Head Start by April 2011 with notification of the School Board to follow.

1. Auditor Ron Bostic will be responsible for the immediate submission of the missing audits for the County of Scott for fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 and June 30, 2009 and to provide the school board and Head Start office with documentation of receipt from the Federal Clearing House.
2. School Board Chair Kay Jessee has, by letter, alerted the County Administrator and the County Board of Supervisors for the County of Scott of the OMB's Federal Audit Requirements A-133 which requires the annual Audit for the County of Scott to be completed, submitted to and posted by the federal clearing house by March 31 annually. These federal requirements affect all federal grants administered by the County of Scott. (Copy of letter attached.)
3. Board Chair Jesse's letter further alerted the County Administrator and the Scott County Board of Supervisors that in the event the County of Scott Audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 is not received and posted at the Federal Clearing House by March 31, 2011, the Head Start Grantee, Scott County Public Schools, will be deemed deficient and will be in grave danger of the termination of the Head Start grant totaling \$1,541,178.00.

(The following letter from James Kay Jessee, School Board Chairman, was sent to Rufus Hood, County Administrator & Scott County Board of Supervisors Members) September 3, 2010

Mr. Rufus Hood
County Administrator
County of Scott
336 Water Street
Gate City, VA 24251

Dear Mr. Hood:

This letter is to notify you and the County Board of Supervisors of the serious nature of the audit noncompliance issue with the Scott County Public School Head Start Program. The OMB's Federal Audit Requirements A-133 requires the annual audit for the County of Scott to be completed, submitted to and posted by the federal clearing house by March 31 annually. These federal requirements affect all federal grants administered by the County of Scott.

This is to further notify you and the County Board of Supervisors that in the event the County of Scott Audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 is not received and posted at the Federal Clearing House by March 31, 2011, the Head Start Grantee, Scott County Public Schools, will be deemed deficient and will be in grave danger of the termination of the Head Start grant totaling \$1,541,178.00.

If you or the County Board of Supervisors should need any further information or have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (276) 431-2751. Your assurance and assistance in complying with these federal requirements is greatly appreciated as this grant enrolls 173 preschool children and their families and employees 31 staff members.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
James Kay Jessee, Chairman (Signature)
Scott County School Board

C: County Board of Supervisors Members

Chairman Jessee reported that the other Head Start non-compliance item is that due to some of the financial paperwork for the Head Start Program being incorrectly submitted; Mrs. Henderson suggested that someone in-house review the financial paperwork prior to it being sent out and recommended Mrs. Loretta Page to do so.

Chairman Jessee recommended approval of Mrs. Henderson's request on the review of the financial paperwork prior to it being submitted for the Head Start Program. On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. McClelland, all members voting aye, the Board approved the recommendation of Mrs. Helen Henderson and Chairman Jessee that the Head Start Program financial paperwork be reviewed by Mrs. Loretta Page, Clerk of the Board.

CAFETERIA FUND DIRECT DEPOSIT: Mr. Campbell asked about direct deposit for the cafeteria fund. Mrs. K.C. Linkous, Payroll Clerk, reported that when direct deposit was reviewed in the past for the cafeteria fund there were only a few employees interested and explained that the bank had required a certain number to participate.

Superintendent Scott stated that another survey would be done with the cafeteria employees to determine interest in participating in direct deposit.

REMEDIAL SUMMER SCHOOL REPORT: Superintendent Scott presented a 2010 Remedial Summer School Report with a total participation of 525 students as follows: Elementary Participants (K-7): 484 and Secondary Participants (8-12): 41

<u>Program</u>	<u>Number of Participants</u>
21 st Century: Shoemaker	159
21 st Century: Duffield	142
EOC SOL Remediation/Testing	21
English Remediation	20
Science in the Summer	60
Library Nights: Weber City Elementary	54
Library Nights: Rye Cove Intermediate	2
Library Nights: Yuma	48
Library Nights: Nickelsville	19

Superintendent Scott reported that number of participants was down slightly from last year. He explained that one high school English summer school class is not listed on the report. Board members questioned the number of participants for some of the programs and availability of programs for different areas in the school system.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT: Superintendent Scott reported that first-day enrollment was 3,642 students, the ten-day enrollment was 3,698 students, and current enrollment as of today is 3,712 students. He explained that this enrollment figure is close to the budgeted figure for this school year. He also reported that in regard to the K-3 enrollment, the school system should be alright with the current numbers; however, he reported that Fort Blackmore Primary School is close their limit with 16 students in one of the classes. He explained that due to the student enrollment at Shoemaker Elementary School a Kindergarten and first grade teacher had to be added.

EDUCATION JOBS FUND: Superintendent Scott reported that Virginia's Education Jobs Fund allocation is \$249.5 million but explained that figures are not yet available for the school system. He projected the school system may receive between

\$800,000-850,000 and explained that this figure is a guess and maybe the school divisions would receive allocation figures within the next week to ten days. He explained that this funding could be used for budgeted expenditures and free up funds for something else. He reported that the state can only keep 2% but that the governor's office has said they would not keep any of the funds. He further explained that the funding formula that will be used for allocation of funding to the school divisions is still being decided.

TITLE I DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL AWARD: Superintendent Scott reported that this is the second year that the school division has been awarded Title I Distinguished School funds, a financial reward for significantly closing the achievement gap or exceeding adequate yearly progress targets for two or more consecutive years. He explained that for this recognition funds are being received by the schools system in the amount of \$95,606 (\$13,658 for each eligible school: Duffield-Pattonsville Primary, Fort Blackmore Primary, Hilton Elementary, Rye Cove Intermediate, Shoemaker Elementary, Weber City Elementary, and Yuma Elementary).

TITLE IV, PART B, 21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS GRANT AWARD: Superintendent Scott reported that the school division received a three year grant award, Title IV, Part B, 21st Century Community Learning Centers, in the amount of \$328,486 for Duffield Primary School (\$164,243) and Shoemaker Elementary School (\$164,243). He explained that a large part of these funds will be used to continue payment of stipends for the after school and summer programs, as has been done in the past. He and Board members discussed that students from other schools can attend the programs at either Duffield or Shoemaker Schools. He reported funds can be used for transportation expenses for the summer program. He stated that a major on-site audit will be conducted during the second year of the program.

APPROVAL OF SALARY, FRINGE BENEFITS, AND SCHOOL CALENDAR COMMITTEE: On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Salary, Fringe Benefit, and School Calendar Committee as follows:

Charlene Isenberg	Duffield Primary School
Karen Hartsock	Dungannon Intermediate School
Autumn McConnell	Fort Blackmore Primary School
Debbie Kilgore	Gate City High School
Dawn Williams	Gate City Middle School
Tracy Stallard	Hilton Elementary School
David Gwinn	Nickelsville Elementary School
Annie Ford	Rye Cove High School
Patricia Currier	Rye Cove Intermediate School/VPE Rep.
Tony Anderson	Scott County Career & Technical Center
Deanna Ward	Shoemaker Elementary School
Melanie McMurray	Twin Springs High School
Shannon Pillion	Weber City Elementary School
Delores Collier	Yuma Elementary School
John Ferguson	Central Office Representative
(to be selected)	Principal Representative
(to be selected)	Support Staff Representative
Justin Forrester/Designee	SCEA Representative

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS/SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE: Mr. Campbell nominated Mrs. Blair to once again serve on the Communications/School Improvement Committee, motion was seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye. On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland,

seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Communications/School Improvement Committee as follows:

Julie Bowen	Duffield Primary School
Betty Rose	Dungannon Intermediate School
Jennifer Oaks/Kim Wilson	Fort Blackmore Primary School
Eric Baker	Gate City High School
Mary Alice McClellan	Gate City Middle School
Stacie Jenkins	Hilton Elementary School
Kellie Blackwell	Nickelsville Elementary School
Todd Baker/Matt Bays	Rye Cove High School
Whitney Parker	Rye Cove Intermediate School
Lowell Fowler	Scott County Career & Technical Center
Meagan Bays	Shoemaker Elementary School
Melanie McMurray	Twin Springs High School
Darlene Quillen	Weber City Elementary School
Amber Smith	Yuma Elementary School
Jim Scott	Superintendent
Beth Blair	School Board Member
(to be selected)	Principal Representative
(to be selected)	Support Staff Representative
Justin Forrester/Designee	SCEA Representative

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

Central Office Representative	Jennifer Frazier
School Board Member	Joe Meade
Principal	Jennifer Meade
Community Member	Judy Calton
Parent	Dennis Fritz
Student	Dare Bond
Student	Tori Montgomery
Community Member	Otis Rhoton
Parent/Community Member	Janice Horne

APPROVAL OF PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS: 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 Parent Advisory Council for Federal Programs as follows:

Tammy Quillen	Central Office Representative
Heather Hurd	Duffield Primary School
Kristi Farmer	Dungannon Intermediate School
Sandy McMurray	Fort Blackmore Primary School
Bridgett Rose-Barnette	Hilton Elementary School
Tina Gilmer	Nickelsville Elementary School
Lisa Rhoton	Rye Cove Intermediate School
Amy Wettack	Shoemaker Elementary School
Amy Sallee	Weber City Elementary School
Trois Carter	Yuma Elementary School

APPROVAL OF REMEDIATION PROGRAM STANDARDS COMMITTEE: On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Remediation Program Standards Committee as follows:

Central Office Representative
 Remediation Coordinator
 Central Office Supervisor
 School Board Member
 Virginia Cooperative Extension
 Teacher
 Teacher
 Parent
 Parent

John Ferguson
 Tammy Quillen
 Jennifer Frazier
 Kathy McClelland
 Patty Steffey
 Joy Davidson
 Rhonda Dorton
 Kelli Peak
 Lori Lawson

APPROVAL OF SCHOOL HEALTH/SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD: On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the School Health/Safety Advisory Board as follows:

Mrs. Kathy J. McClelland	School Board Member
Mrs. Amber Goode	School Nurse Coordinator
(to be selected)	Central Office Representative
Mrs. Katrina Smith Tool	School Psychologist
Mr. Andy Jones	Scott County Sheriff's Office
Mrs. Amy Lawson	Scott County Sheriff's Office
Mr. Kelvin Kimbler	Scott County Sheriff's Office
Ms. Lana Mullins	Scott County Dept of Social Services
Mr. Jason Dishner	Scott County Juvenile Probation Officer
Ms. Hope Gardner	Scott County Health Department/Parent
Dr. Todd Cassel	Medical Doctor/Parent
Mr. Jason Smith	Gate City Middle School Principal
Ms. Theresa Newton	Head Start Representative/Parent
Mrs. Jane Carter	Rye Cove High School Guidance Counselor
Ms. Rebecca Baker	Gate City High School Guidance Counselor
Ms. Brenda Byrd	Yuma Elementary School P.E. Teacher
Mrs. Kathy Funkhouser	Gate City Middle School Parent
Mr. Jeff Casteel	Duffield Elementary School Librarian
Christel Starnes	Rye Cove High School Student
Joshua Wilson	Gate City High School Student
Holli Criswell	Twin Springs High School Student

APPROVAL OF SCOTT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL HEAD START BUDGET AND COST ALLOCATION PLAN FOR FY2011: On the recommendation of Superintendent Scott and on a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Head Start Budget and Cost Allocation Plan for FY2011 as follows:

**SCOTT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL HEAD START
 BREAKDOWN OF CURRENT BUDGET FY 2011 (REVISED 9-7-2011)**

	<u>REVENUE</u>
FY2011 Head Start On-Going	\$1,212,543.00
Training and Technical Assistance	<u>20,399.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,232,942.00

	<u>EXPENSES (FY2011)</u>
Personnel	\$777,671.00
Fringe	248,611.00
Travel	5,812.00
Equipment	.00
Supplies	31,000.00

Other	149,449.00
	\$ 1,212,543.00
T& TA	\$ 20,399.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$1,232,942.00

NON-FEDERAL IN-KIND	
NON-FEDERAL IN-KIND	\$ 308,236.00
TOTAL FEDERAL AND NON-FEDERAL	\$1,541,178.00

SCOTT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL HEAD START COST ALLOCATION PLAN FOR FY 2011

Scott County Public Schools will invoice Head Start for services provided by the Payroll/Invoice Clerk, Superintendent's Designee, Health Content Expert (Nurse Supervisor), and Transportation Foreman Personnel. An Activity Record will be recorded each month for activities performed. Bi-annually, Scott County Public Schools will invoice Head Start for payment. Activity Records will be included as documentation with the invoice. Scott County Public School Head Start will make payment after the invoice and documentation is received.

CLOSED MEETING: Mrs. McClelland made a motion to enter into a closed meeting at 6:45 p.m., 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; and to discuss central office staff according to Section 2.2-3711A(1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended; motion was seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye.

RETURN FROM CLOSED MEETING: All members returned from closed meeting at 8:17 p.m. and on a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board returned to regular session and Mrs. McClelland cited the 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

SCHOOL BOARD AGREEMENT TO SIGN REZONING REQUEST FOR NICKELSVILLE PROPERTY: On a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Templeton, the Board agreed to sign the rezoning request for Nickelsville property so that the request could be put before the Town of Nickelsville Planning Commission and Nickelsville Town Council.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Beth Blair, James Kay Jessee, Kathy McClelland, Joe Meade, Dennis Templeton
Nays: Lowell Campbell

EMPLOYMENT OF SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. Templeton made a motion to hire Mr. Greg Baker as the next superintendent of Scott County Schools, motion was seconded by Mrs. Blair.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Beth Blair, Lowell Campbell, James Kay Jessee, Joe Meade, Dennis Templeton

Nays: Kathy McClelland

Kathy McClelland made the following statement in regard to her “nay” vote: “As a career educator with over 34 years, I felt like that we had people that had applied for this job that had truly been in the trenches, had been in grades K-12, understood what it was like to have to deal with a classroom of 20 or more students, had to deal with parents on a day to day process, that had served in a principal and/or supervisory position; and, I do believe that there is something that can be said for on-the-job training that cannot be found by looking on the outside in and saying I can do that. I know that Mr. Baker is an extremely intelligent person and I respect his intelligence and I respect the things that he’s bringing to the Board; but, as a career educator and a representative of District 4, I am voting the conclusion that I did based on what my constituents had told me and what I morally feel like I must do.”

APPROVAL OF ACTIVITY FUND POLICY: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Activity Fund Policy (File: DGG-R) as submitted.

APPROVAL OF PETTY CASH FUNDS POLICY: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Petty Cash Funds Policy (File: DJB-R) as submitted.

APPROVAL OF RECEIPT OF GOODS POLICY: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Receipt of Goods Policy (File: DGD-R) as submitted.

APPROVAL OF CREDIT CARD USE AND POLICY: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mrs. McClelland, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Credit Card Use and Policy (File: DM-R) as submitted.

RESIGNATION: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the Board approved resignation requests as follows:

Shirley Bledsoe, School Bus Driver, effective Aug. 18, 2010

Charles Ratliff, Gate City Middle School teaching assistant, effective Aug. 3, 2010

Teresa Salyer, School Nurse, effective August 17, 2010

Tommy Musick, Gate City High School 9th Grade Girls Basketball Coach

RETIREMENT: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board approved the retirement request of Mary Katherine Gilliam, Weber City Elementary School Librarian, effective August 1, 2010.

RE-EMPLOYMENT: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the Board approved the re-employment of Clifford Bledsoe, school bus driver, for the 2010-2011 school year.

On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board approved the re-employment of Tiffany Godsey, teacher, effective for the 2010-2011 school year.

On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the re-employment of Samantha Jones, teacher, effective for the 2010-2011 school year.

In regard to Board members questions concerning the re-employment of employees that were not re-hired for the 2010-2011 school year, Superintendent Scott explained that everyone that could legally be re-employed has been. He reported that a former employee was offered a job but did not take the employment offer.

EMPLOYMENT: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board approved the employment of Carlene Cross, school bus driver, effective for the 2010-2011 school year.

On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the Board approved the employment of Kandace Kilgore, teacher, effective for the 2010-2011 school year.

On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Campbell, the Board approved the employment of Brittany Jo Meade, teacher, effective for the 2010-2011 school year.

VOTE

Ayes: Beth Blair, Lowell Campbell, Kathy McClelland, James Kay Jessee,
Dennis Templeton

Abstain: Joe Meade

On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the employment of Farrah Lane, school nurse, effective for the 2010-2011 school year.

On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Blair, all members voting aye, the Board approved the employment of Reba Kindle, teacher, effective for the 2010-2011 school year.

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 employment of Betty Castle, custodian, effective for the 2010-2011 school year.

APPROVAL OF VOLUNTEERS: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mr. Meade, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board approved Jackie Hazlett Meade and Cheryl Peters as Twin Springs High School Junior Varsity Volunteer Cheerleading Coaches.

APPROVAL OF COACHES: On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. McClelland, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved Ashley Hood as Rye Cove High School Track Coach effective for the 2010-2011 school year.

On the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Ferguson and on a motion by Mrs. Blair, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board approved Sarah Whisenhunt as Gate City High/Middle School Girls Assistant Soccer Coach for the 2010-2011 school year.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Mr. Templeton presented the following statement: “I **did not** make my **selection** or **vote** for the new Superintendent of the Scott County School division based on the **past**. My selection and vote is for the **future**, the **future** of our Scott County Schools and especially for our 3,700 school children.”

Mr. Meade made the following statement: “I want to commend the persons who were interviewed for the superintendent’s job. And you know I said all along that I was somewhat leaning toward a certain person and I think he knows that but I’ve got no problems. Now is the time for us to come together as a Board and community and parents and support our new superintendent. This is going to be really important, I mean, we’ve had our problems in the past, we’ve had friction, we’ve had a lot of stuff and I’ve been in the middle of most of it and a lot of it has been directed at me. You know, I got a little bit steamed up here one time and made a challenge to the whole crowd and the Board also; about integrity, character, honesty and whatever. You know, I asked at that time that everybody open up their closets. I’ve got no problem with that. But, I’m going to tell you something, if we don’t put stuff like this behind us and get behind this new superintendent we have we’re going to be in a rut just like we have been. We’re doing good academically, we know that, we’ve proven that and I really think that this person will continue to keep us on the right track.”

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Campbell, all members voting aye, the Board adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

James Kay Jessee, Chairman

Loretta Q. Page, Clerk