SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2011

The Scott County School Board met in a special meeting for the purpose of receiving a report from the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools (SACS) Quality Assessment Review Team (QAR) Team on Wednesday, November 30, 2011, 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 Katherine J. "Kathy" McClelland Joe D. Meade ABSENT: Gloria E. "Beth" Blair
Dennis C. Templeton

OTHERS PRESENT: John I. Ferguson, Superintendent; Jason Smith, Supervisor of Personnel/Middle Schools; Tammy Quillen, Supervisor of Elementary Education/Testing; Jennifer Frazier, Secondary Supervisor/School Food Program Supervisor; Brenda Robinette, Supervisor of Special Education; Loretta Q. Page, Clerk Of The Board/Administrative Assistant for Student Affairs and Operations; K.C. Linkous, Deputy Clerk Of The Board/Human Resources Manager; Will Sturgill, School Board Attorney; Deborah Brickey, Technology Coordinator; Robert Sallee, Building Services Supervisor; Gary Adams, Transportation Supervisor; Travis Nickels, Duffield Primary School Principal; Jennifer Meade, Dungannon Intermediate School Principal; Cindy Dorton, Gate City Middle School Principal; Greg Ervin, Gate City High School Principal, Tim Spicer, Hilton Elementary School; Mike Lane, Nickelsville Elementary School; Renee Dishner, Rye Cove Intermediate School Principal; Reagan Mullins, Rye Cove High School Principal; Valerie Babb, Shoemaker Elementary School Principal; Sam Parks, Twin Springs High School Principal; Ralph Quesinberry, Scott County Career & Technical Center Principal/Career & Technical Program Supervisor; Kelsey Taylor, Weber City Elementary School Principal; Kathy Musick, Yuma Elementary School; SACS AdvancED District Accreditation QAR Team: Dick Spohr, Project Direcor, Illinois New Principal Mentoring (Lead Evaluator); Dr. Jeff Comer, Superintendent, Norton City Public Schools (Virginia) (Vice-Chair); Rob Graham, Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction, Radford City Schools (Virginia); Christine Kinser, Assistant Superintendent, Tazewell County Public Schools (Virginia); Dr. Bridget Parsons, Principal, Snowville Elementary School (Virginia); Dr. Dave Spellman, Retired Middle School Principal (Arizona) & Certified Lead Evaluator; Dr. JoAnn Stevens, Retired Middle School & High School Principal (Arizona); and Dr. Paul Stanton, Superintendent, Humboldt Unified School District #22 (Arizona).

<u>CALL TO ORDER/MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u>: Chairman Jessee called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Chairman Jessee asked the audience to observe a moment of silence which was followed by the audience citing the *Pledge of Allegiance*. He welcomed everyone in attendance which included all five the newly elected school board members: Jeff Kegley, Gail McConnell, Bill Quillen, Steve Sallee, and Kelly Spivey.

<u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u>: On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Meade, all members voting aye, the Board approved the agenda as submitted.

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES & SCHOOLS (SACS) DISTRICT ACCREDITATION QUALITY

ASSURANCE REVIEW (QAR) TEAM ORAL EXIT REPORT: Mr. Dick Spohr, QAR Team Lead Evaluator, presented a summary of their organization's history and comprehensive review program. He explained procedures the QAR Team followed during the district accreditation process along with a report on the various stakeholders visited and interviewed. Commendations of division accomplishments in meeting or exceeding standards were presented along with the required actions to assist in the improvement of district effectiveness and student learning. The team's final recommendation was that Scott County Public Schools be awarded District Accreditation. He explained that a full written report will be provided to the school division within thirty days. He also explained that the next review would be conducted in five years and that a progress report on the team's recommendations of action is to be submitted within the next two years.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: On a motion by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. McClelland, all members voting aye, the Board adjourned at 3:05 p.m.