

**SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2014**

The Scott County School Board met in a Special Meeting on Monday, June 2, 2014, in the Scott County School Board Office Conference Room in Gate City, Virginia.

**PRESENT:** William R. Quillen, Jr., Chairman  
L. Stephen Sallee, Jr., Vice Chairman  
James Kay Jessee  
Jeffrey A. Kegley  
H. Kelley Spivey, Jr.

**ABSENT:** Gail L. McConnell

**OTHERS PRESENT:** John I. Ferguson, Superintendent; Will Sturgill, School Board Attorney; Jason Smith, Supervisor of Personnel and Student Services; Loretta Q. Page, Clerk Of The Board/Budget Specialist/Head Start Payroll & Invoice Clerk; K.C. Linkous, Deputy Clerk Of The Board/Human Resource Manager; and Pat Whitley, Gate City Middle School Teacher/SCEA President.

**CALL TO ORDER/MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chairman Quillen called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and presided. The audience observed a moment of silence and Mr. Kegley led in citing the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** On a motion by Mr. Kegley, seconded by Mr. Sallee, all members voting aye, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

Following approval of the agenda, Chairman Quillen recognized that Superintendent Ferguson would present the budget item: Discussion/Approval of Projected Budgets for 2014-15 School Year.

**DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF PROJECTED SCHOOL OPERATING FUND & CAFETERIA BUDGETS FOR 2014-15 SCHOOL YEAR:** Superintendent Ferguson reported that after conferring with the school board's budget committee, Mr. Sallee and Mr. Kegley, projected budget figures are being presented. However, he stated that since the state has not officially approved a budget, the school system is being proactive in presenting a projected budget; however, he explained that the figures presented are subject to change pending general assembly action. He explained that, if you read the material from the Virginia School Board's Association, Virginia is on the brink of uncharted waters. He also explained that there is no guarantee that the state budget will be passed by July 1<sup>st</sup>. He further explained that he is reluctant to send out contracts due to the uncertainty of a state budget and until the school division receives solid figures from the state. In response to a question from Chairman Quillen in regard to the school system should the state not pass a budget by July 1<sup>st</sup>, Superintendent Ferguson stated that the school division can use the line of credit for the month of July. He explained that for the current year employees received a 2% raise but explained that the 2% figure was not included in the salary scales and was, basically, a one-time deal. He also explained that included in the projected 2014-15 budget is a step increase on the scale for employees not topped out and a 1% raise which he explained is, once again, not included in the salary scale. He reported that the projected budget would be presented to the County Board of Supervisors on Wednesday.

Chairman Quillen expressed thanks to Mr. Kegley and Mr. Sallee, Board appointed budget committee members, for their work on the budget.

On a motion by Mr. Jessee, seconded by Mr. Spivey, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Projected School Operating Fund Budget for 2014-15 as presented (Appendix A).

Superintendent Ferguson explained that the Projected Cafeteria Budget is like the School Operating Fund Budget in that the step increase was included for those employees not yet topped out on the salary scale and employees would receive a 1% increase. He also explained that the Cafeteria Fund is self-reliant.

On a motion by Mr. Jessee, seconded by Mr. Sallee, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Projected Cafeteria Fund Budget for 2014-15 as presented (Appendix B).

**ADJOURNMENT:** On a motion by Mr. Spivey, seconded by Mr. Kegley, all members voting aye, the Board adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

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William "Bill" R. Quillen, Jr., Chairman

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Loretta Q. Page, Clerk