

**SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017**

The Scott County School Board met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 6, 2016, at the Scott County School Board Office in Gate City, Virginia, with the following members present:

William "Bill" R. Quillen, Jr., Chairman  
David M. Templeton, Vice Chairman  
Larry L. Horton  
Linda D. Gillenwater  
Gail L. McConnell  
L. Stephen "Steve" Sallee

**ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** John I. Ferguson, Superintendent; Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent; K.C. Linkous, Clerk Of The Board/Human Resource Manager; Beverly Stidham, Deputy Clerk/Purchasing Agent; Will Sturgill, School Board Attorney; Kathy Musick, Virginia Professional Educators Representative; Lisa Bevins, Teacher/Virginia Education Association Representative; Doris Boitnott, VEA/NEA Uniserv Director; Ramona Russell, Teaching Assistant; Amanda Clark, Heritage TV.

**CALL TO ORDER/MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chairman Quillen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The audience observed a moment of silence and Mr. Horton led in citing the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Chairman Quillen stated that Item 6 will be on the February, 2018 Agenda and add under item 9 (B) Approval of Overnight Field Trip.

On a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. McConnell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the agenda with the deletion and addition as presented.

**APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 9, 2017 MEETING MINUTES:** On a motion by Mr. McConnell, seconded by Mr. Horton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Thursday, November 9, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes, as submitted.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:** On a motion by Mr. Horton, seconded by Ms. Gillenwater, all members voting aye, the Board approved claims as follows:

School Operating Fund invoices & payroll in the amount of \$1,009,651.21 as shown by warrants #8123252-8123551 (#8123289 voided) & electronic payroll direct deposit in the amount of \$1,163,490.44 & electronic payroll tax deposits in the amount of \$525,846.19. Cafeteria Fund invoices & payroll in the amount of \$285,083.96 as shown by warrants #1018200-1018295 & electronic payroll direct deposit in the amount of \$33,831.41 & electronic payroll tax deposit in the amount of \$13,999.12. Head Start invoices & payroll totaling \$71,903.28 as shown by warrants #15093-15178.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Ramona Russell, teaching assistant, thanked all the board members who attended the Veterans Day Celebration at Duffield Primary.

**REPORT ON HOLIDAY AND PAYROLL SCHEDULE:** Superintendent Ferguson presented the following Holiday and Payroll Schedule for the Board's information:

**12 Month Employees Holidays:**

Christmas – Monday, December 25 & Tuesday, December 26, 2017

New Year's – Monday, January 1, 2018 Tuesday, January 2, 2018

Payroll for December: Friday, December 29, 2017

**Winter Break:**

Thursday, December 21 – students dismissed at 1:00 p.m.

Friday, January 5, 2018 – Teacher Workday/Schools Closed

Monday, January 8, 2018 – Second Semester Begins (Students return to school)

**APPROVAL OF HEAD START FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN FOR OCTOBER, 2017:** On a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. McConnell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Head Start Financial Breakdown for October, 2017 as follows:

Head Start Expenses	\$124,309.02
Total In-kind	\$ 56,651.45

**APPROVAL OF EARLY HEAD START FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN FOR OCTOBER, 2017:** On a motion by Mr. Horton, seconded by Ms. Gillenwater, all members voting aye, the Board approved the Early Head Start Financial Breakdown for October, 2017 as follows:

Early Head Start Expenses	\$48,907.98
Total In-kind	15,299.26

**CLOSED MEETING:** Mr. Templeton made a motion to enter into closed meeting at 6:35 p.m. to discuss teachers, teaching assistants, coaches, secretaries and bus drivers, as provided in Section 2.2-3711 A (1) of the Code of Virginia, as amended, motion was seconded by Mr. McConnell, all members voting aye.

**RETURN FROM CLOSED MEETING:** All members returned from closed meeting at 8:35 p.m. and on a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Mr. Horton, the Board returned to regular session and Mr. Templeton cited 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: Linda Gillenwater, Larry Horton, Gail McConnell, Bill Quillen, Steve Sallee, David Templeton*  
*Nays: None ABSENT DURING VOTE: None ABSENT DURING MEETING: None*

**APPROVAL OF OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP REQUEST:** On the recommendation of Mr. Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. McConnell, seconded by Mr. Horton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the overnight field trip request of Scott County Career & Technical School, FFA Program to Virginia Tech Hippology & Horse Judging, Blacksburg, Va., February 9-10, 2018 (8 students, 1 chaperone)

**RESIGNATIONS:** On the recommendation of Mr. Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Horton, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the resignation request of Ms. Donna Hood, bus driver, effective November 24, 2017.

On the recommendation of Mr. Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent and on a motion by Ms. Gillenwater, seconded by Mr. McConnell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the resignation request of Ms. Jennifer Moore, teaching assistant, effective December 1, 2017.

On the recommendation of Mr. Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Horton, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the resignation request of Ms. Justine Hartsock, teacher, effective January 5, 2018.

**EMPLOYMENT:** On the recommendation of Mr. Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Templeton, seconded by Ms. Gillenwater, all members voting aye, the Board approved the employment of Ms. Robyn Chapman, part-time administrative assistant, effective January 8, 2018.

On the recommendation of Mr. Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. McConnell, seconded by Mr. Horton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the employment of Mr. Lee Bush, bus driver, effective November 27, 2017.

On the recommendation of Mr. Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent and on a motion by Ms. Gillenwater, seconded by Mr. McConnell, all members voting aye, the Board approved the employment of Mr. Henry Taylor, substitute bus driver, effective November 27, 2017.

On the recommendation of Mr. Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. McConnell, seconded by Ms. Gillenwater, all members voting aye, the Board approved the employment of Mr. Keith Warner, head football coach, TSHS, effective December 5, 2017.

On the recommendation of Mr. Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Horton, seconded by Mr. Templeton, all members voting aye, the Board approved the employment of Mr. Joel Davis, assistant football coach, TSHS, effective December 5, 2017.

On the recommendation of Mr. Jason Smith, Assistant Superintendent and on a motion by Ms. Gillenwater, seconded by Mr. Sallee, all members voting aye, the Board approved the employment of Mr. Cheyenne Osborne, head football coach, RCHS, effective December 5, 2017.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** All the Board members wished everyone with the school system a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Board adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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

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K.C. Linkous, Clerk