

**The Bath County School Board met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. following a Closed Meeting at 5:30 P.M. at School Administrative Building.**

**PRESENT:**  
**Mr. Bryan Secoy, Board Chair**  
**Mr. Eddie H. Ryder, Board Vice-Chair**  
**Mr. Roy W. Burns, Board Member**  
**Mrs. Rhonda R. Grimm, Board Member**  
**Mrs. Catherine D. Lowry, Board Member**

**Mrs. Carlyn Sue F. Hirsh, Division Superintendent & Clerk**  
**Mrs. Sharon P. Fry, School Board Deputy Clerk**

Mr. Secoy called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with all members present except Mrs. Lowry who arrived at 5:40 p.m. **17-18: 001  
CALL TO ORDER**

**On motion by Mr. Burns, and seconded by Mrs. Grimm, the Board (4-0 vote) convened in a closed meeting at 5:33 p.m. to discuss the admission of non-resident students, and student attendance areas; acknowledge the summer appointment of specific employees, consider the appointment of specific employees; and review details of school crisis management plans. 17-18: 002  
CLOSED MEETING  
AND CERTIFICATION  
OF CLOSED MEETING**

**On motion by Mr. Burns and seconded by Mrs. Lowry at 7:05 p.m., the Board came out of the closed meeting and certified (5-0 vote-roll call) that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed; and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered. 17-18: 003  
CERTIFICATION OF  
CLOSED MEETING**

Mr. Secoy called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. **17-18: 004  
CALL TO ORDER FOR  
PUBLIC MEETING**

On motion by Mr. Burns and seconded by Mrs. Grimm, the Board (5-0 vote) amended the agenda with the additions of Superintendent’s Report Item 9. – F. - *AEC report on Roof Penetration Proposal* and Item 10. – B. – *Food Service Procurement Bid approval* immediately following Closed Meeting Action. **17-18: 005  
APPROVE OR  
AMEND AGENDA**

There were none to be heard. **17-18: 006  
PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mrs. Hirsh recognized Kris Phillips, BCHS Baseball Coach, who was named Pioneer District coach of the year and Hunter Brown, baseball player of the year.

**17-18: 007  
GOOD NEWS IN  
BATH COUNTY  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Mrs. Hirsh commended Steve Sizemore, VES principal, and Code Sizemore, MES teacher, who served on the Steering Committee and made presentations at the Margaret S. Copenhaver Institute at Roanoke College.

Mrs. Hirsh thanked Ed Ozols, Technology Supervisor and Kristy Pasco, teacher, for presenting round table sessions on Bath County's wind project at the VSBA Conference on Education in Richmond, VA.

**On motion by Mr. Ryder and seconded by Mrs. Lowry, the Board (5-0 vote) approved the consent agenda as presented:**

**17-18: 008  
APPROVE  
CONSENT AGENDA**

- **Minutes**  
June 26, 2017 Close-Out Meeting
- **Claims**  
Mr. Justin Rider, Business Manager, presented an overview of expenditure summary for June 2017 close-out meeting and July 2017. General Fund Payroll - 72375-72383, 72389-72397, Bills – 72384-72388, 72398-72432, Direct Deposit – 2275-2278. Food Service – Bills –11042-11043.
- **Reports**  
Cafeteria, June 2017  
Maintenance, July 2017  
Transportation, July 2017

Mrs. Hirsh referenced an email from Mike Keyser, BARC CEO, regarding a proposal for roof penetrations at VES. The original solar project proposal did not include roof penetrations. The email dated July 28, 2017 from Mr. Keyser proposed a need to make 11 penetrations (1.5 inch holes) of the VES roof in order to bring the wiring into the attic, into collectors, and ultimately to inverters and onto the grid. Mrs. Hirsh invited representatives to the Board meeting to present an update on the VES roof. On hand to present information were Dave Wall, AEC President & staff, and Jamie Lowry, BARC Manager of Construction Services.

**17-18: 009  
AFFORDABLE  
ENERGY CONCEPTS  
ROOF PENETRATION  
PROPOSAL**

Mr. Wall said "he didn't want to penetrate the roof, but we do feel like we can do it safely". Mr. Wall also said, "this project is important to us, because we feel like this is a pioneering project for the whole state of Virginia."

After a detailed presentation, a motion by Mr. Burns and second by Mrs. Lowry, the Board (4-1, Ryder opposed) **approved the roof penetrations, if the solar panel contract is amended to provide for leak repair for the life of the project.**

Mrs. Hicklin, MES Principal/Director of Administrative Services, presented an update on Standards of Learning accountability reports. She said BCHS and MES, based on three or more consecutive years of Full Accreditation, have been identified as Fully Accredited for Three Years based on 2016 General Assembly legislation. Mrs. Hicklin said VES exceeded expectations on improvement plans and will be on Three Year accreditation next year. She said State accreditation ratings are to be released on September 13.

**17-18: 010  
SOL ACCOUNTABILITY  
REPORTS UPDATE -  
MRS. HICKLIN**

Mrs. Hirsh said Bath's Title I-A and Title III-A programs were reviewed for compliance in January 2017. Mrs. Jane Hall, Director of Special Education, Pupil Personnel Services, & Preschool, reported no areas of non-compliance identified, although additional specific documentation relating to EL (English Learner) students was requested and has been submitted.

**17-18: 011  
FEDERAL REVIEW –  
TITLE I-A AND  
TITLE III-A – MRS. HALL**

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

Based on 2015-2016 APP date, Mrs. Hall said the Virginia Department of Education designated BCPS as "MEETS REQUIREMENTS". Mrs. Hall said staff members are doing great things.

**17-18: 012  
ANNUAL  
PERFORMANCE REPORT  
(APR) AND STATE  
PERFORMANCE PLAN  
(SPP) UNDER IDEA**

Mrs. Hirsh presented a brief overview of activities for pre-school workdays and in-service schedules. New teachers are scheduled to arrive on August 7 with all teachers returning on August 8.

**17-18: 013  
PRE-SCHOOL  
WORKDAYS/INSERVICE  
SCHEDULES**

Dr. Mike Perry, BCHS Principal, said eighth grade orientation is scheduled on August 16 at the Homestead, band camp was recently held and consisted of 86 members. He was excited about online registration, and noted that Orientation for 9, 10, 11, and 12 graders is scheduled on August 15. As the new principal, he said he arrived on July 10 and is excited and honored to be here.

**17-18: 014  
PRINCIPALS' REPORTS –  
OPENING OF SCHOOL**

Mrs. Allison Hicklin, MES Principal, reported a smooth summer school and reading camp. Summer projects included installation of a new cafeteria serving line, new locks on interior doors, new leveled library, and online student registration. Mrs. Hicklin praised custodial staff at all three schools for their work over the summer. She noted Open House is scheduled on August 14.

Mr. Steve Sizemore, VES Principal, said summer school went well and he reported a successful Bath County Art Show at VES. Summer projects included gym floor repair and installation of a HVAC unit. He thanked the custodial staff for their hard work and dedication during the summer months. He commended the school system employees and the work of the Bath County School Board.

On motion by Mrs. Grimm and seconded by Mr. Ryder, the Board (5- vote) approved 2017-18 non-resident students for MES, VES, and BCHS as presented.

**17-18: 015  
ACTION FOLLOWING  
CLOSED MEETING**

On motion by Mrs. Grimm and seconded by Mrs. Lowry, the Board (5-0 vote) approved enrollment in different attendance areas as requested.

Summer Personnel Appointments, as authorized, by Superintendent.

BCHS	<b>Michael Perry</b>	Principal
	<b>Rhonda Ervin</b>	School Counselor
	<b>David Guyre</b>	Computer Technician & Substitute Bus Driver
MES	<b>Rebecca Smolarek</b>	Teacher
	<b>Kodie Criser</b>	Aide
	<b>Tonya Fitzgerald</b>	Aide
	<b>Dallas Reynolds</b>	Behavior Intervention Specialist
VES	<b>Jamie Moore</b>	Teacher
BCHS/VES	<b>Dennis Holmes</b>	Custodian
DIVISION	<b>Emily Beard</b>	Art Teacher
SAB	<b>Rosita Perry</b>	Director, Food Service

On motion by Mrs. Lowry and seconded by Mrs. Grimm, Board (5-0 vote) approved continuing substitute teachers as listed:

**Mary Adderton, Trisha Alphin, Mary Ann Bogan, Karen Bowyer, Terry Bradley, William Burns, Laura Cooper, Mary Criser, Ashley Decker, Lisa Friel, Jamilyn Fussell, Ramona Garcia, Herb Hardbarger, Kelly Hewitt, Stephen Hiner, Teresa Jones, Somers Knight, Kim Lancaster, Judy McElwee, Carol Phillips, Elizabeth Rexrode, Sandy Ryder, Steve Shaver, Amy Smith, Ruth Tolson, Sue Wooding, Zach Woodzell and approved new substitute teachers as listed: Kerri Campbell, Miranda Hodge, Catherine Linkenhoker, Ashton McCoy, Patricia Nicely, Gabriela Phenegar, Kristina Tok Harrison, Leo Priddy.**

On motion by Mr. Burns and seconded by Mrs. Lowry, the Board (5-0 vote) approved the appointments of transportation substitute bus drivers as listed:

**Jimmie Adkins, Darrell Chestnut, Craig Harold, Ronnie Liptrap, Sr., Justin Rider, Hubert Wise and David Guyre and continuing vehicle drivers: David Carroll, Ronnie Hodge, Stevie Hodge, Rodger Hupman, Jeanne Lindsay, Johnny Martin, Dallas Reynolds, Mary Rogers, and Nancy Sweitzer.**

On motion by Mrs. Lowry and seconded by Mr. Burns, the Board (5-0 vote) approved mentor teachers as listed: **Melinda Hooker and Code Sizemore.**

On motion by Mr. Ryder and seconded by Mrs. Lowry, the Board (5-0 vote) awarded a bid to Staunton Foods to furnish and deliver food to Bath County Schools for SY2017-2018.

**17-18: 016  
FOOD SERVICE  
SCHOOL BID FOR  
PROCUREMENT**

- On motion by Mr. Ryder and seconded by Mr. Burns, the Board (5-0 vote) approved a **2017 VSBA Media Honor Roll resolution recognizing Larry O'Rourke of the Virginian Review, Geoff Hamill of The Recorder, and Amanda McGuire of Alleghany Mountain Radio (WCHG).** **17-18: 017  
2017 VSBA MEDIA HONOR ROLL**
- Mrs. Hirsh updated the Board and provided background information: Policy JHCH – School Meals and Snacks has been updated to reflect guidance from the USDA for implementation of the Health, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010. She said the policy was first shared in March, 2017 for first reading with a recommendation that the policy be adopted at a later date but prior to the start of the 2017-18 school year. The allowance of meal charges up to \$25.00 would be allowed rather than provide alternate meals to students without an account balance or cash in hand. **17-18: 018  
VSBA POLICY JHCH- SCHOOL MEALS AND SNACKS**
- On motion by Mr. Burns and seconded by Mrs. Lowry, the Board (5-0 vote) adopted **VSBA Policy JHCH – *School Meals and Snacks* which allows meal charges up to \$25.00 be allowed rather than provide alternate meals to students without an account balance or cash in hand.**
- On motion by Mr. Ryder and seconded by Mr. Burns, the Board (5-0 vote) approved the **January – June 2018 meeting dates as presented.** **17-18: 019  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS, JANUARY - JUNE, 2018**
- Informational items for Board members included: Bath County Arts Association brochure and a VSBA 2017 Newsletter including the following articles: "10 Tips for New School Board Members" and "All in the Family: Nepotism in Virginia". **17-18: 020  
ITEMS FOR BOARD MEMBERS/  
CORRESPONDENCE**
- There were no comments to be heard. **17-18: 021  
PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- Roy Burns** **17-18: 022  
ITEMS BY BOARD MEMBERS**
- Welcomed Dr. Perry to Bath County School.
  - The Art Show is a wonderful thing for the school and community.
  - A shout out to everyone in Bath County Schools; thanked everyone who works hard for students.
  - Agreed with Dr. Perry that we are building strong families.

**Mrs. Grimm**

- Welcomed Dr. Perry and staff to Bath County Schools.
- Happy to offer online student registration.
- Looking to a lot of great things and positive changes this year.
- Addressed bullying in the new school year and wants everyone to be a part of the solution and not the problem. She suggested getting along by helping one another or staying away from one another.
- Sincere welcome back to administrators, teachers, staff and students.
- Encouraged parents to complete food nutrition applications.
- Thanked everyone for their hard work provided on a daily basis.

**Mrs. Lowry**

- Congratulated Hunter Brown and Kris Phillips.
- Excited about the new on-line registration process.
- Acknowledging Dr. Perry, she said it is a blessing to see our staff embrace him and his mutual respect. Commends his accessibility and said she heard Dr. Perry and the school counselor, Ms. Ervine attended band camp.
- Spent a week at band camp and said the students accepted the challenge of putting the entire show together in 3 days.
- Applauded the media saying they are very fair and precise in communicating with Board members.
- Excited to expose kids to staff whose passion is evident.

**Mr. Ryder**

- Visited all three schools where much work is happening and a lot of work yet to be done. He said the floors are so shiny they look like an ice skating rink.
- Looking at SOL scores, the kids did great and teaching staff should be proud.
- Wished everyone luck in the new school year.

**Mr. Secoy**

- Referenced the solar eclipse and the opportunity for students who have never seen a solar eclipse.
- Wished everyone a great school year.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

**17-18: 023  
ADJOURNMENT**



**BRYAN J. SECOY, CHAIRMAN**



**CARLYN SUE F. HIRSH, CLERK**