

The Amherst County School Board met in special session on Thursday, February 6, 2014, in the School Administration Office, Amherst, Virginia, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Jones H. Stanley, Chairman
Elizabeth S. Gamble, Vice Chairman
Priscilla M. Liggon
Patricia C. Massie
Margaret R. Morton

ABSENT: Randy V. Summers
Alan J. Wood

Mr. Stanley called the meeting to order, asked that a moment of silence be observed, and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The purpose of the February 6, 2014, special School Board meeting was to have a Public Hearing on the proposed FY15 School Operational Budget.

Upon motion by Mrs. Massie, seconded by Mrs. Morton and unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda of the February 6, 2014, special School Board meeting.

The following people addressed the Board:

Mr. Michael O'Brien, Principal at Pleasant View Elementary School and Temperance Elementary School, asked the Board to consider the following:

- Additional Reading Specialists for Amherst County Public Schools
- Weigh all options before implementing and/or eliminating programs

Mrs. Melanie Lewis, President of the Amherst Education Association, showed a power point presentation to Board members. Attached is a copy of the power point presentation.

Mr. David Emmert, Teacher at Amherst County High School, asked the Board to consider the following:

- Restoring the stipend for National Board Certification (reduced in 2010 and eliminated in 2011)
- Reading specialists would be a priority over stipends for National Board Certification

Mrs. Cheryl Fails, Teacher at Amherst County High School, to consider the following:

- Additional funds for Technology
- Update the U S History Textbooks whether it be hard copy or digital format
- Thanked the Board for their support

Mrs. Renea James, School Counselor at Monelison Middle School and Amherst Education Center, asked the Board to consider the following:

- A full-time School Counselor at Amherst Education Center

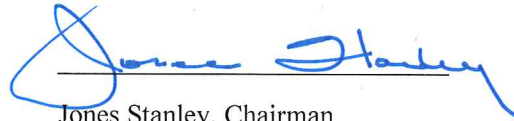
Mr. Stanley asked if anyone else wished to address the Board regarding the Proposed FY15 School Operational Budget. No one else addressed the Board.

Upon motion by Mrs. Massie, seconded by Mrs. Morton and unanimously carried, the Public Hearing on the Proposed FY15 School Operational Budget was closed.

Upon motion by Mrs. Morton, seconded by Mrs. Massie and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned at 6:20 p.m.



Teresa C. Crouch, Clerk
Amherst County Public Schools



Jones Stanley, Chairman
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