

The Amherst County School Board met in a joint meeting with area legislators on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, in the School Administration Office, Amherst, Virginia, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Alan J. Wood, Chairman, Amherst County School Board
Patricia C. Massie, Vice Chairman, Amherst County School Board
Priscilla M. Ligon
Randy V. Summers

ABSENT: Alan H. Bumgarner
Elizabeth G. Gamble
W. Michael Henderson

PRESENT: David Pugh, Vice Chairman, Amherst County Board of Supervisors
Claudia Tucker, Vice Chairman, Amherst County Board of Supervisors
Don Kidd
John Marks

ABSENT: Robert Curd

LEGISLATORS: Delegate Ben Cline
Senator Thomas Garrett, Jr.

Mr. Wood, Chairman of the Amherst County School Board, called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and asked for approval of the May 19, 2015, School Board agenda.

Mr. Pugh introduced Delegate Ben Cline and Senator Thomas Garrett, Jr.

Delegate Cline expressed appreciation to the members of the Amherst County Board of Supervisors and Amherst County School Board for scheduling the meeting with legislators. Delegate Cline stated he hopes the meetings will continue in the future.

Senator Garrett encouraged members of the Amherst County Board of Supervisors and Amherst County School Board to schedule a meeting with area legislators in August or September prior to the General Assembly going into session.

Senator Garrett commended Ms. Ellen Bowyer, County Attorney, for the support she has provided toward saving Sweet Briar College.

Senator Garrett provided an overview of bills he had submitted and/or supported in the most recent General Assembly.

Delegate Cline stated he came to listen to the concerns of the members of the Amherst County Board of Supervisors and Amherst County School Board.

The following items were discussed with Delegate Cline and Senator Garrett:

- Amherst Satellite CVCC continues to remain open
- Sweet Briar College remains open

- *Senate Bill 582* - Update on the Probable Maximum Precipitation
- Broadband and internet access to the rural areas
- Central Virginia Training Center
- Tobacco Money for Amherst County
- Central Virginia Community College – Amherst Satellite – allow students from other counties (i.e. Nelson County) to attend CVCC
- Composite Index adjustments for Amherst County due to possible closure of CVTC and Sweet Briar College
- Funding for Enrollment loss
- Funding for salary increases
- Funding for Smart Start Program
- Funding for Special Education population
- Expedited retakes for SOL tests
- Ensure the decisions of the General Assembly are communicated up front (i.e. salary increases)
- Funding for schools who are in School Improvement that have to meet State requirements

Mr. Wood expressed appreciation to Delegate Cline and Senator Garrett for attending the meeting.

Upon motion by Mrs. Massie, seconded by Mr. Summers and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.



Teresa C. Crouch, Clerk
Amherst County Public Schools



Alan J. Wood, Chairman
Amherst County Public Schools