ROANE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

July 18, 2013

I., II. & III. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Rob Jago called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a "Moment of Silence" and led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following Board members were present: Sam Cox, Hugh M. Johnson, Vic King, Darrell "Drack" Langley, Wade McCullough, Mike "Brillo" Miller, Mike Taylor, Danny Wright, Vice-Chairman Everett Massengill and Chairman Rob Jago. Others present were: Director Gary D. Aytes; Business Manager Eric Harbin; Supervisors Tony Clower, Robert Jones, Dr. Stephanie Walker, Linda Wilson and Keevin Woody; and Principals/Asst. Principals Brenda Arwood, Lance Duff, Nadine Jackson, Chris Johnson, Gwen Johnson, Scott Mason, Shelia Sitzlar, Marti Sparks, David Stevens, Tim Thompson, and Jeff Woods.

IV. ADOPTION OF REGULAR AGENDA

MOTION was made by Mr. Cox with **second** by Mr. Langley **approval** of the Regular Agenda.

MOTION was made by Mr. Miller with **second** by Mr. McCullough **to amend** the Agenda by adding the following:

New Business, Item #2

- **Study Group on Consolidation**

Motion to amend the motion **PASSED** 9-1 upon voice vote. Voting no was Mr. Massengill.

Motion as amended **PASSED** unanimously upon voice vote.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 18, 2013 BOARD MEETING AND JULY 15, 2013 "BUDGET WORK SESSION"

MOTION was made by Mr. Miller with **second** by Mr. Cox **approval** of the minutes from the June 18, 2013 Board Meeting and July 15, 2013 "Budget Work Session".

Motion **PASSED** unanimously upon voice vote.

VI. HEARING OF DELEGATION

Zachary Scruggs, 312 S. Chamberlain Ave., Rockwood, addressed the Board with areas in which to help the Board save money and suggestions on ways to manage the school budget due to the budget shortage.

VII. EXTENSION OF DIRECTOR'S CONTRACT

MOTION was made by Mr. McCullough with **second** by Mr. Langley **approval to extend** the Director's Contract for two (2) years ending June 30, 2016.

Motion **PASSED** unanimously upon roll call vote.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Director's Report

- Director's Report **(on file).**
- Distributed and reviewed the Evaluation Composite for 2012-2013 (**on file**).

B. Business Manager's Report

Mr. Harbin stated he is working on closing out the books for 2012-2013.

C. Facilities Report

Mr. Maines reported that the summer projects are on course and shouldn't cause disruption when school starts. The retaining wall at Midway Middle has fallen. We will be looking into what we need to do to get the wall repaired.

D. Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

E. Chairman's Report

- Chairman Jago added a Transportation Committee and appointed the following to serve on the committee: Board Members Vic King, "Drack" Langley, Wade McCullough and Mike Taylor; Director Aytes; and Tim Goss, Transportation Supervisor.
- Plans to schedule a Facilities Committee meeting and Re-Districting Committee meeting in August.
- We be sending a letter to Chairman Brummett, Roane County Commission, requesting a Liaison Committee be scheduled in September.

MOTION was made by Mr. Langley with **second** by Mr. Johnson **to accept** the reports.

Motion **PASSED** unanimously upon voice vote.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. Recommendation from the Director – Polices

1. Approval of revised Use of Personal Communication Devices in School Policy # 3.21 (2nd Reading)

MOTION was made by Mr. McCullough with **second** by Mr. Langley **approval** of revised Use of Personal Communication Devices in School Policy # 3.21 (2nd Reading).

Motion **PASSED** unanimously upon voice vote.

B. Recommendation from the Director

1. Approval of revised 2013-2014 Budget

MOTION was made by Mr. Miller with **second** by Mr. Langley **approval to amend** the 2013-2014 Budget with the following cuts (**on file**):

• Alternative School	$363,925
• Academic/Coaching Supplements	$218,037
• 1 Position	$ 40,038
• Driver's Ed.	$ 50,000
• Textbooks	$500,000
• Capital Transfer	$200,000
• PARCC Testing Match	$210,000
TOTAL	**$1,582,000**

After some discussion, motion **PASSED** unanimously upon roll call vote.

MOTION was made by Mr. Miller with **second** by Mr. Wright **approval to amend** the 2013-2014 Budget with the following:

- Transfer $447,218 out of Instructional Reserve and put $229,181 in Alternative School and $218,037 in Academic/Coaching Supplements.

After some discussion, motion **PASSED** unanimously upon roll call vote.

MOTION was made by Mr. McCullough with **second** by Mr. Miller **approval of the 2013-2014 Budget as amended.**

Motion **PASSED** unanimously upon roll call vote.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Recommendation from the Director

1. Approval of Consolidated Application for IDEA/ESEA

MOTION was made by Mr. McCullough with **second** by Mr. Langley **approval** of Consolidated Application for IDEA/ESEA.

Motion **PASSED** unanimously upon roll call vote.

2. Study Group on Consolidation

Mr. Miller stated he would like Mr. Maines, possibly a couple of Board members, and look at building 1 high school for Rockwood, Kingston and Harriman; build 2 high schools (Kingston & Midway) (Harriman & Rockwood); build 1 high school for all 5 high schools. We need to look at every scenario we can so questions can be answered about the cost of building 1, 2, or 3 high schools and how much we would save by closing 1, 2, or all high schools.

Director Aytes suggested Mr. Maines, Eric, Supervisors, himself and any Board member that would like to, immediately start proceeding with a fact finding mission with the core capacity of our current schools, cost estimate of building the different options of schools, and the physical and financial savings. When they have enough information, bring it to the Board and the Board can then decide whether to appoint a Consolidation Committee or combine with the Facilities Committee.

The Board agreed.

XI. COMMENTS

The next School Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Office.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, **MOTION** was made by Mr. Miller with **second** by Mr. McCullough **to adjourn**.

Motion **PASSED** unanimously upon voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rob Jago, Chairman Danita White, Recording Secretary

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Gary D. Aytes, Director