

**BUENA VIST CITY SCHOOL BOARD**

**BUENA VISTA, VIRGINIA**

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

**BUDGET WORK SESSION**

**March 18, 2021**

**6:00 P. M.**

**WILFORD P. RAMSEY EDUCATIONAL CENTER**

ATTENDANCE: School Board Members - Teresa Ellison, Wayne Flint, Mac Felts, John Rice, John Roberts and Roy Mohler. Absent – School Board Member Lisa Kerr. Also in attendance: John Keeler, Kelly Linkenhoker, Donna Frazier and Sandra Mohler.

Meeting was called to order. The Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence was observed.

John Rice made the motion to approve the Agenda. It was second by Wayne Flint and passed by a 6-0 vote.

Welcome of visitors, parents, and community leaders and public comment. No one had any comments.

**Budget Presentation 2021-2022:**

I asked the Advisory Committee to provide a wish list of items they would like to have for their schools. Items included things like window air units, Chromebooks, carpet, virtual teachers, playground equipment, new shades for the Library, rugs for high traffic areas, picnic tables, basketball goals, covered pavilion, larger tables for student stations, shades for the 24<sup>th</sup> Street side at the Middle School and New Spanish Teacher. We will not be able to do everything on the lists. We will be able to provide carpet as we still have donated carpet from Mohawk left. Planning to install new shades in the Library and in the classrooms on the 24<sup>th</sup> Street side at the Middle School. Should be able to provide picnic tables and basketball goals. I have gone to each school and I explained the budget with staff.

Revenues: revenues are based on ADM of 850 students. Projected revenues include \$79,000 from local sources, \$8,205,968 from the State includes sales tax, 2,433,803 from the City and \$551,188 from Federal funding. Asking for level funding from the City. A total budget of \$11,269,959. It's a good state Budget. Does not show Food Service budget of \$413, 000, which is separate budget. USDA provides a good portion of their funding for providing meals from March to present. Budget includes a 5% raise for all staff. Thankfully sales tax projection was higher than expected. Budget includes the following positions: Bring back a SPED teacher that was cut this year, hire a Pre-K teacher, add another 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher, add a middle school reading specialists, and a Spanish teacher. Includes a dance class, LPN program and trainer class. We have started the dance class, and we now have 5 students taking advantage of this class.

Esser II funds: Determine what our needs are, determine the learning gaps in order to use these funds wisely. Provide pull-out staff to help students who are behind and provide them with the help to catch

up. Plan to hire 4 Success Coaches, 2-year contract, no benefits, 30 hours per week, with the rate of pay of between \$27 to \$27.50 per hour. One for each school to help with learning gaps.

Summer School Funding/additional professional development for staff.

Instructional materials/furniture

COVID-19 related maintenance and custodial supplies

Hotspots and other technology needs

Virtual Virginia – online resource to help students with virtual classes if they choose to continue with virtual learning next year.

Future funding - American Rescue Plan Act. Have not received a lot of information yet. Will have to spend at least 20% to address learning loss through summer learning, extended day or extended school year programs. Budget will be presented to you next week for your approval.

Wayne Flint made a motion to go into Closed Session for the consideration of personnel matters as it relates to performance, resignations and retirements according to {State Law § 2.2-3711 (A) (1)} and for the discussion of acquisition and disposition of Real Property according to {State Law § 2.2-3711 (A) (3)}. And Student Matters as it relates to discipline {State Law § 2.2-2711 (A) (2)} It was seconded by Mac Felts. Motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Mac Felts to adjourn Closed Session. It was seconded by Wayne Flint. Motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

Certification was read and the Board was polled.

Mr. Felts – yes

Mr. Roberts-yes

Mr. Mohler-yes

Mr. Rice-yes

Mr. Flint-yes

Ms. Ellison-yes

Motion was made by Roy Mohler that the Board uphold the recommendation made by Dr. Keeler for student HS3182021. It was seconded by Mac Felts and passed by a vote of 6-0 vote.

Motion was made by Wayne Flint to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by John Roberts. Motion pass by a 6-0 vote.

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Teresa Ellison – Chair

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Date

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Sandra Mohler – Clerk

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