

Garrett County Board of Education
40 S Second Street
Oakland, MD 21550

BUSINESS SESSION
Tuesday, May 12, 2015

Board Members present included Mr. Matthew Paugh, President; Mrs. Charlotte Sebold, Vice President, Board Members: Mr. Thomas Carr, Mrs. Cynthia Downton and Mrs. Monica Rinker. Also present for the meeting: Dr. Janet Wilson, Secretary -Treasurer / Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Adriana Fratz, Student Member of the Board; Mr. Tim Thornburg, Director of Human Resources and Employee Relations, and Mr. Larry McKenzie, Director of Finance.

The meeting was held at Southern Garrett High School in the cafeteria.

1. Business Meeting

A. Call to Order

Mr. Matthew Paugh called the meeting to order at 8:10 p.m.

2. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Charlotte Sebold to approve the Consent Agenda with an amendment to the meeting agenda to move agenda topics under Continuing Business (FY2016 CIP will be moved before the FY2016 Budget). The motion was seconded by Cynthia Downton. Final Resolution: Motion Carries; Yea: Charlotte Sebold, Thomas Carr, Cynthia Downton, Monica Rinker

3. Superintendent's Report

A. Announcements

Dr. Janet S. Wilson, Superintendent of Garrett County Public Schools, spoke about upcoming events and activities around the district to the Board and the public.

Date	Event
May 15	MABE Boardmanship Academy: Improving Student Achievement through Raising Student Aspirations; 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. MABE Office, Annapolis, MD
May 25	Memorial Day – Schools Closed
May 30	GCPS Graduation at Garrett College / CARC Building; Southern High - 10:00 a.m.; Northern High - 3:00 p.m.
June 11	8th Grade Success Night, Southern Middle School, 6:00 p.m.
June 12	Swan Meadow Graduation, Pleasant Valley Community Center, 7:00 p.m.
June 17	MABE Workshop: Parliamentary Procedure and Board Minutes MABE Office, Annapolis, MD 9:30 – 3:30 p.m.
June 18	MABE Boardmanship Academy: Telling Your Story: Communicating Your District's Message, MABE Office, Annapolis, MD 9:00 – 12:00 p.m.
June 22	GCPS Retirement Dinner, Dutch's at Silver Tree at 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Wilson also shared that Mr. Tom Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture for USDA, has requested to visit with Garrett County Public Schools during National School Food Service Program Week (June 1 – 5, 2015) to visit with our school meal program. More details including exact date and location will be forthcoming.

4. Public Comments

There was no public comment in the meeting.

5. New Business

A. School Meal Rate Increase - Action

A motion to approve the 10 cent meal price increase for school year 2015-16 was made by Thomas Carr and seconded by Monica Rinker. Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Charlotte Sebold, Thomas Carr, Cynthia Downton, Monica Rinker

6. Continuing Business

A. Health Curriculum Supplemental Materials - Middle and High School - Action

Charlotte Sebold made a motion to approve the middle school health curriculum "Teen Health" and the high school health curriculum "Heritage Keepers". The motion was seconded by Cynthia Downton. Final Resolution: Motion Carries; Yea: Charlotte Sebold, Thomas Carr, Cynthia Downton, Monica Rinker

B. Johnson Controls Investment Grade Audit for Guaranteed Energy Savings - Action

A motion was made by Thomas Carr to approve the Johnson Controls Investment Grade Audit for Guaranteed Energy Savings and this was seconded by Cynthia Downton.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries in a 3:2 vote: Yea: Matthew Paugh, Thomas Carr, Cynthia Downton; Nay: Charlotte Sebold, Monica Rinker

Mrs. Sebold asked to go on the record regarding her decision not to approve the contract because she is concerned about the amount of long term debt we are putting the school system in with these projects.

C. CIP Revision Approval - Action

A motion was made by Thomas Carr to approve the CIP as revised on April 22, 2015 which included adding two items from the operating budget to the CIP: HR/Finance software package and transportation vehicle). The motion was seconded by Cynthia Downton.

Mrs. Sebold spoke to the Board regarding her decision to not move forward with the motion. Mrs. Sebold did not feel the Northern High School and Northern Middle School parking loop, which will cost \$2.5 million, should have been moved up in priority status on the CIP. She felt the Commissioners were indicating the HVAC upgrade projects at both high schools should be moved forward as well as design for Southern Middle School renovation, the HR/Finance software package and the transportation vehicle in lieu of funding the Southern Middle School renovation next year.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries in a 3:2 vote: Yea: Matthew Paugh, Thomas Carr, Cynthia Downton; Nay: Charlotte Sebold, Monica Rinker

D. FY2016 Budget - Action

A motion was made by Cynthia Downton to approve the FY2016 Operating Budget and seconded by Thomas Carr. Final Resolution: Motion Carries in a 3:2 vote: Yea: Matthew Paugh, Thomas Carr, Cynthia Downton; Nay: Charlotte Sebold, Monica Rinker

E. Calendar 2015 - Year End Schedule for Students - Action

A motion was made by Monica Rinker to approve the 3 student day waiver, thus the last day for students is June 16, 2015. The motion was seconded by Charlotte Sebold. Final Resolution: Motion Carries; Yea: Charlotte Sebold, Thomas Carr, Cynthia Downton, Monica Rinker

F. Calendar 2015 - Year End Schedule for All Employee Groups - Action

Thomas Carr made a motion to approve the year end schedule for all employee groups which includes a 1 day waiver for specific employee groups. Charlotte Sebold seconded the motion. Final Resolution: Motion Carries; Yea: Charlotte Sebold, Thomas Carr, Cynthia Downton, Monica Rinker

G. Ratification of Contracts - Action

Mr. Thornburg thanked the negotiation teams, employee groups, union, board and superintendent for their time and efforts during the successful negotiation process.

Cynthia Downton made a motion for the ratification of employee contracts for Teachers and Support Personnel and Thomas Carr seconded the motion. Final Resolution: Motion Carries; Yea: Charlotte Sebold, Thomas Carr, Cynthia Downton, Monica Rinker

7. Board Business

A. Student Board Member Report

Ms. Adriana Fratz, Student Member of the Board (SMOB), spoke about the Relay for Life event which raised \$32,400. She also spoke about the GCSCA officer elections and the SMOB candidate interviews. GCSCA reached out to elementary school principals to promote leadership opportunities for their students.

She stated the NGHS National Honor Society will have an academic pep rally on May 18, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. May 19th is the senior award assembly at 1:00 p.m. Board members are invited to attend these events.

B. MABE Report

Mr. Carr did not have any MABE meetings this month.

C. June Board Meeting Date Change

Due to conflicting meetings on June 9, 2015, the June Board Meeting date has been changed to June 10, 2015 and will be held at central office.

8. Informational Items

The following items were included as attachments in BoardDocs for the Board to review.

A. May School Activities

B. Home & School Connection - May 2015

9. Adjournment

A. Adjourn the Meeting

A motion was made by Cynthia Downton to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Charlotte Sebold. Final Resolution: Motion Carries; Yea: Charlotte Sebold, Thomas Carr, Cynthia Downton, Monica Rinker
The Board adjourned the business session at 8:40 p.m.