

## COVINGTON CITY SCHOOL BOARD

### Minutes

June 13, 2016

The Covington City School Board hosted a retirement reception at Covington High School honoring Superintendent Tom Long on Monday, June 13, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Following the reception the Covington City School Board held a called meeting at Covington High School on Monday, June 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members in attendance:

Tammy Scruggs-Duncan, Chair  
Cynthia Bennett, Vice-Chair  
Eddy Clemons  
Dizzy Garten  
Nicole Rickett

Melinda Snead-Johnson, Director of Elementary & Middle Education and Student Services was present, and Rebecca Irvine, Clerk.

This was a joint meeting with Covington City Council with the following members in attendance:

Tom Sibold, Mayor  
David Crosier, Vice-Mayor  
Alan Tucker  
Bill Zimmerman

City Manager Richard Douglas was present, and Gail Wood, Clerk.

Chair Scruggs-Duncan called the meeting to order, and those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **DISCUSSION**

Mrs. Scruggs-Duncan noted that the School Board has received notification that the division has met the free lunch eligibility criteria of at least 35 percent under the state appropriation set as a priority criteria for award of a QZAB (Qualified Zone Academy Bonds) allocation. July 11, 2016 is the due date for submitting an application for QZAB funding. On February 23, 2016, Mrs. Scruggs-Duncan and Mayor Sibold submitted a letter of intent to participate in the QZAB Sale to be issued by the Virginia Public School Authority (VPSA) in November/December 2016. Mr. Long informed the Department of Education that the amount requested would be \$750,000 to cover the cost of the CHS roof. A 10 percent private match contribution is required to secure QZAB funding. The division has not identified a match source.

Mrs. Scruggs-Duncan also reported that the Nettleton Foundation has granted a request for funding of a planning study for the Nettleton Center for Workforce Education. A total of \$20,400 has been granted which is a cost estimate from Spectrum Design. The Nettleton Foundation has stipulated that funds be paid to a non-profit agency. The Board and Council agreed by consensus that funds should be paid to Covington City. Mr. Douglas noted that the City would issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the planning study. The Nettleton property is owned by the City and therefore grant fund for the planning study would not qualify as private match funds for a QZAB loan for CHS.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

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Tammy Scruggs-Duncan, Chair

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Rebecca Irvine, Clerk