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The Campbell County Board of Education met in a Special Called meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2020, at the courthouse in Jacksboro, Tennessee. The following school board members were present: Chairman Brent Lester, Johnny Byrge, Lisa Fields, Josh James, Ronnie Lasley, and Jeffrey Miller. Board member Noah Smith participated via Facetime. Board members Crystal Creekmore, Faye Heatherly and Steve Morgan were absent from the meeting. Director of Schools, Jenifer Fields was present and Gail Parks kept the minutes.

Prayer by Lisa Fields.

Pledge led by Josh James.

Roll Call.

I. Approve Agenda.

Motion by Byrge, second by Fields to approve the Agenda.

Lester-yes, Byrge-yes, Creekmore-absent, Fields-yes, Heatherly-absent, James-yes, Lasley-no, Miller-yes, Morgan-absent, Smith-yes. Motion Passed.

Chairman Lester opened the floor for discussion and stated some members have issues with the budget. Board member Lasley stated he had just received the budget document and has been sick. Board member Lasley stated he has not had enough time to review. Question was asked about the \$270,000 in Capital Outlay, if most appeared to be going to CCHS. Mr. Terry informed that approximately \$50,000 in the new budget would be to do a parking lot for the soccer field and a Three point shooting machine. Board member Miller stated CCHS just received \$450,000 last week, also board member Miller asked Mr. Terry when they would like the budget approved. Mr. Terry stated before the end of July. Director Fields stated the budget has been delayed on the state level. Board member Miller asked who does the budget? Mr. Terry responded Finance Department and the Director of Schools work in conjunction on the budget. Mr. Terry again stated the \$270,000 Capital Outlay is overall, not one specific location. Board member Miller stated he felt the board wasn't meeting enough in his opinion for public appearance, agrees with board member Lasley more time is needed before he can vote on the budget.

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Board member Byrge stated there comes a time when we must rely on our Director of Schools and staff. Director Fields stated the final BEP estimate didn't come from the state until June 29th. Board member James asked how much Board of Education pay for finance service. Mr. Terry stated approximately \$130,000. Director Fields stated she doesn't have an accounting program. In the beginning of January we look at attendance, staffing at schools to see how we can project with BEP estimates. Director Fields further stated she calls the Finance Department to get reports, projections, or meets with Mr. Terry. Mr. Terry explained they have overall discussions. Board member Byrge asked if the schools were adequately staffed. Director Fields stated yes. Board member Miller again stated he felt it would be beneficial to meet more. Director Fields stated she had 3 policies which needed approved and that people are not showing up for meetings. Board member Lasley stated he felt the board didn't think they communicated more as a board, haven't met as much as he thought they would.

Motion by Byrge, second by James to approve the 2020-2021 School budget as recommended by the Director of Schools.

Lester-yes, Byrge-yes, Creekmore-absent, Fields-yes, Heatherly-absent, James-yes, Lasley-no, Miller-no, Morgan-absent, Smith-yes. Motion Failed.

Due to a lack of a second to adjourn, and discussion from legal council, the board will stand in recess until Thursday, July 9th at 5:00 p.m., in the courthouse.

Motion by Byrge, second by Fields to recess meeting until July 9th, 5:00 p.m., to consider approval of the 2020-2021 School Budget.

Lester-yes, Byrge-yes, Creekmore-absent, Fields-yes, Heatherly-absent, James-yes, Miller-yes, Morgan-absent, Smith-yes. Motion Passed.

Brent Lester
Chairman of the Board

Jennifer Fields
Director of Schools