

**CASWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**  
**Special Called Meeting**  
**March 19, 2018**

The Caswell County Board of Education met in a special called meeting on Monday, March 19, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. in the Professional Development Conference Room located at the Administrative Offices of Caswell County Schools. Members present: Chairman Gladys Garland, Vice Chairman Sylvia Johnson, Donna Hudson, Mel Battle, Gordon Satterfield and Tracy Stanley. Ross Gwynn was absent. Others present include Superintendent Dr. Sandra Carter, Finance Director Jeremy Teetor, and Wayne Owen. Connie Kimrey recorded the minutes.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gladys Garland.

Superintendent Dr. Carter shared that the board was meeting today to review options so the Board of Education would be a united voice when meeting with commissioners later in the evening.

Three options were shared with board members along with a facilities study listing a summary of proposed construction costs.

Dr. Carter indicated that if the school receives the Capital Needs Based Grant we would like to add these items back to the original list.

Mr. Battle questioned if the \$50,000, as listed, was correct? Dr. Carter shared that these numbers were from Dewberry & Davis. Other associated costs may be included in other areas of the proposal.

Finance Officer Jeremy Teetor shared that Option #1 includes lottery resources as well as N.L. Dillard being paid off.

Mr. Battle questioned when is the next grant cycle? Dr. Carter shared that the date has not been given as of yet. Last year it occurred in August and notification in October. Mr. Battle felt we need to be clear with the commissioners regarding budgets and timelines.

Mr. Satterfield shared that the Board of Education needs to be unified and convince the commissioners that a loan will be beneficial to the taxpayers versus a bond. It would be helpful to have amounts to show the commissioners the savings of a 3 ½% interest rate compared to a 5% interest rate. Mr. Satterfield shared that this will be the decision of the local government; however, they will need substantial information to back their decision and be able to answer questions from the general public. Mr. Satterfield felt that the more information we can share on the school website would be helpful and to show taxpayers what it will actually cost.

Upon discussion, the board was in agreement to favor Option # 1; however, they preferred Option # 3 if grant money is available and awarded.

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Questions were asked of Mr. Teetor regarding the loan payment. Mr. Teetor shared that no loan payments, if approved, would occur this year. It will not affect their budget this year and would not provide a sales tax increase this year. Currently the Local Share/Sales Tax is being used to pay off N.L. Dillard Middle School. When paid off, this would allow commissioners to use this money towards the loan payment.

Upon no further discussion, it was agreed to present Option # 1 to the commissioners but also show Options #2 and # 3. With recent events, it was felt that updated security would be a big selling point noting security cameras, keyless entry, gated areas, etc.

**II. ADJOURN**

Sylvia Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:53 p.m., Tracy Stanley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, March 26, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. in the Central Office Administrative Building of Caswell County Schools.

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Gladys Garland  
Chairman

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Dr. Sandra Carter  
Superintendent