

School Board Meeting

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence
- Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Consent Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
- Recognitions
- WCEA Report
- Public Comment
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Closed Session (§2.2-3711)
- Board Comments
- Adjournment

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approval of Agenda



V. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Monthly Fund Report
- b. Bills Payable Report
- c. Field Trips



VI. Approval of Minutes

VII. Recognitions

a. Retirees



A photograph of a classroom. In the foreground, several students are seated at their desks, some looking towards the camera and others looking down at their work. The desks are arranged in rows. In the background, a large semi-circular window is visible, and a teacher or another adult is standing near it. The room is lit by fluorescent lights on the ceiling. A blue semi-transparent banner is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the text "VIII. WCEA Report".

VIII. WCEA Report

A photograph of a classroom with students sitting at desks, some writing. A large, semi-transparent blue rectangular box is overlaid in the center of the image, containing the text 'IX. Public Comment'. The background shows a typical classroom environment with fluorescent lights, a clock, and a whiteboard.

IX. Public Comment

X. Unfinished Business

a. Amended 2008-09 School Budget



XI. New Business

- a. [Skills Center Presentation](#) – Bill Dotson
- b. Presentation of Policy Recommendations
- c. Powell Valley Roofing Bid



Partnership Proposal

Wise Workforce Center – Wise County Public Schools

For sustainability of workforce development in
Southwest Virginia

The Past - History

- Wise Skills Center in service for 60+ years
- Lives enhanced, economy improved
- Manpower, CETA, JTPA, WIA
- Wise County Public Schools partnership is valuable
- One-stop Center – July 2007

The Past - History

- Two entities
 - Skills Center (Training facility)
 - Job training in welding, building trades, computer technology
 - One-stop Center (WIA service provider)
 - Serves five counties and City of Norton
 - Overseen by Workforce Investment Board/Chief Local Elected Officials
 - Services required by federal legislation
 - Adult
 - Dislocated Worker
 - Youth in-school, out-of-school
 - Not entitlement program

The Present – On-going

- One-stop Center provides workforce employment information and coordinates training services
- Partners
 - MECC
 - Department of Rehabilitative Services
 - Department of Social Services
 - Veterans Affairs
 - Virginia Employment Commission
 - Wise County Career and Technical Center
 - Lonesome Pine Office on Youth
 - Others...

The Present – On-going

- Consortium Members
 - Bluestone One-stop
 - Clinch Valley Community Action
 - Experience Works
 - Flatwoods Job Corps
 - Occupational Enterprises Inc.
 - Rural Areas Development Association
 - Regional Adult Education
 - Wise County Housing Authority

The Present – On-going

- Customer services – Case Managers
 - In-demand training
 - Welding, Construction, IT occupations, Medical
 - Support services
 - Career counseling/mentoring
 - Financial planning
 - Partner referrals
 - Ultimately – job placement

The Present – On-going

- Facility renovation in progress
 - Attractive setting
 - Partner offices
 - Public job-search computers
 - Meeting/conference space
 - High-speed fiber optic tele-conferencing capabilities
 - New roof, paint, landscaping
 - Grand opening in the fall

The Future - Sustainability

- Federal funding cuts – 35%
- Need for realignment and upgrading of programs
 - Instructors salaries
 - Update curriculum
 - Marketing*

The Future - Proposal

- Wise County Public Schools
 - Assist with instructor salaries
 - Estimated at \$118,000 annually
 - Monthly assessment
 - Continued facility, maintenance, transportation support
 - Increased communication related to drop-outs
 - Appoint representative for Advisory Committee

The Future - Proposal

- Wise Workforce Center
 - Upgrade current programs
 - Update curriculum offerings
 - Pursue partnerships
 - Set tuition fee for each program
 - Manage client participation records

The Future - Proposal

- Wise Workforce Center
 - Institute marketing plan*
 - Establish Advisory Committee
 - Pursue alternate funding sources and grants
 - Clean up, throw out, reorganize

The Future - Proposal

- Workforce Investment Act
 - Reimburse covered client expenses

The Future - Benefits

- Wise Workforce Center becomes self-sufficient
- Saved WIA dollars spent on clients
 - Serve more adults and youth
 - Continuing education
 - Special needs and at-risk
- Program offerings can be expanded
- Improve economic development in Southwest Virginia

The Future – Success Stories



The Future – Success Stories



A generous man will prosper;
he who refreshes others will
himself be refreshed.

Proverbs 11:25

XII. Closed Session (§2.2-3711)

a. Personnel – 2.2-3711(1)



A photograph of a classroom with students seated at desks, some writing. A semi-transparent blue rectangular box is overlaid in the center of the image, containing the text 'XIII. Board Comments'. The background shows a typical classroom environment with fluorescent lights, a clock, and a whiteboard.

XIII. Board Comments

A photograph of a classroom with students seated at desks, some writing. A semi-transparent blue horizontal bar is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the text 'XIV. Adjournment' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The classroom has a drop ceiling with rectangular light fixtures, a large arched window in the background, and a whiteboard on the right wall. The students are wearing casual clothing, and the overall atmosphere is quiet and focused.

XIV. Adjournment