

# Wise County School Board

## October 12, 2009

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Consent Agenda
  - 5.1 Monthly fund report (p. 34)
  - 5.2 Field trips ( p. 50)
  - 5.3 November Meeting
6. Approval of Minutes (p. 52)



# Educational Reports 7.1 and 7.2

## WCEA and WCPA (page )

### 1. WCEA (7.1)

- a. Mr. Jim Blackburn
- b. WCEA comments

### 2. WCPA (7.2)

- a. Mr. David Lee
- b. WCPA comments



# School Highlights 7.3

## Student Performers/Highlights

### 1. Jordan Gardner

- a. JJ Kelly HS (senior)
- b. Musical Selection
- c. Parents (Tony & Rachael)

### 2. VA Naturally Schools

- a. Team Estonoa
- b. Ann Wade
- c. Terri Vencil

### 3. Transportation Appreciation

- a. Week of October 21
- b. Appreciation on October 21



# Education Reports 7.4

## Secondary Teacher Recognition

### Grace Bradshaw

- a. English teacher PVHS
- b. BA – English (Unv. of Texas)
- c. MA – (ETSU)
- d. Began teaching in 1969
- e. Taught (Texas, AHS, PVHS)
- f. Coached tennis, drama, forensics
- g. One-act play to state 12 years in row
- h. One-act play (2 state champions)
- i. VA Assc. Speech Coach (1999)
- j. President VASC (2000)
- k. VHSL Adv. Board
- l. Nat. Fed. HS Speech Educ. (2002)
- m. Appalachian Writing Project (2001)
- n. Still loves teaching and power of teaching
- o. Compassion and fire to do more



# Education Reports 7.4

## Elementary/Middle Teacher Recognition

### Ninkey McCarty

- a. Third grade PVPS
- b. AA – CVC (1979)
- c. BA – K-3 UVA Wise (1998)
- d. BA – Business UVA Wise (1998)
- e. Began teaching in 1998
- e. Taught PVPS (mostly 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)
- f. After school reading programs
- g. Math centers approach
- h. Chairperson AR program
- i. Participant in PTA projects
- j. Community involvement (Samaritan Purse)
- k. Advocate for the student
- l. Teaching is a calling
- m. Proud to be in teaching profession
- n. Loves the impact of teaching



# Education Reports 7.5

## Targeted SOL Questions

### 1. Purpose

- a. Identify weaknesses in curriculum
- b. Identify weaknesses in instruction
- c. Share information

### 2. Plan Elements

- a. Identify poor SOL question responses
- b. Identify teachers who do well with those
- c. Provide instructional material/support
- d. Share with other teachers
- e. Create a collaborative environment



# Education Reports 7.5

## Targeted SOL Questions

Grade	Core	Reporting Category	Description of Question	% correct in Division	St. Paul
7	Math	Number and Number Sense	Determine an equivalent expression using a property.	50%	93%
7	Math	Number and Number Sense	Identify property used in given equation.	47%	79%
7	Math	Patterns, Functions, and Algebra	Identify an expression.	72%	100%
7	Math	Patterns, Functions, and Algebra	Identify the table of data that represents a specific equation.	56%	100%

# Wise County School Board Public Comment

1. Welcome public comment
2. State name and address
3. Address the Board President
4. Limit comments to 5 minutes
5. Refrain from personnel issues
6. Provide response next meeting



# Discussion 9.1 (page 7)

## Response to Public Comment

1. Mrs. Bush
  - a. Illegal meeting
  - b. Consolidation costs
  - c. Scare tactics
2. Ms. Adams
  - a. Stimulus grants
3. Mr. Mullins
  - a. Two-school concept
4. Mr. Greear
  - a. Contingency plans
  - b. Cost of land
5. Mr. Kennedy
  - a. Trophies

Line	Description	Amount
1	Appraisal	825
2	Kahn	81,000
3	Laboratory	25,000
4	Survey	5,000
5	Total	111,825

# Discussion 9.2 (page 9)

## Retirement Incentive Summary

Line	Description	Amount
1	Total pay-out	1,255,214
2	Cost of 23 retirees	1,897,694
3	Cost of 22 replacements	1,152,443
4	Retiree - replacements	\$745,251
5	Replacement – savings	\$509,964



# Discussion 9.3 (page 10)

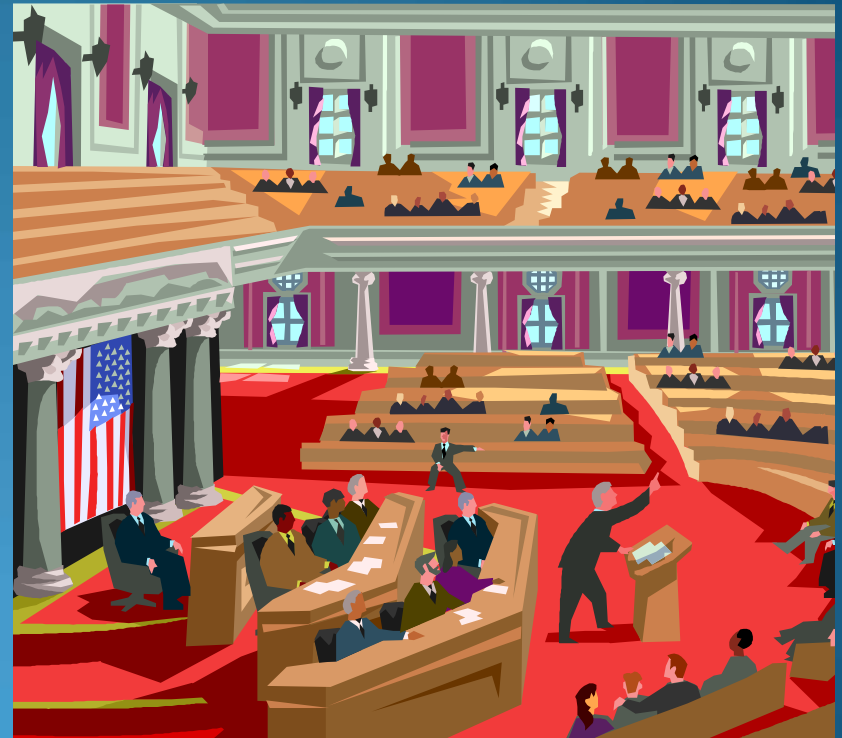
## Stimulus Money

### 1. Purpose

- a. Provide financial assistance
- b. Maintain jobs
- c. Stimulate economy

### 2. Plan Elements

- a. Each state different
- b. Two categories of money
- c. Stabilization funds
- d. Formula grants



# American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) “Stimulus Funds”

## State Fiscal Stabilization Funds (SFSF)

U.S.  
Department of  
Education  
Secretary’s  
Portion

Governor’s  
Portion of  
SFSF -  
Formula

**Competitive  
Grants**

- Race to the Top
- Investing in What Works and Innovation

**18.2%**

- Used to sustain government services including education

**81.8%**

- Distributed between K-12 and Higher Education to cover budget shortfalls
- Based on state funding formulas

## Formula Grants

- Title I, Part A Allocation
- IDEA
- School Improvement
- Educational Technology Grant
- Homeless Grant
- Equipment Assistance for School Nutrition

# Discussion 9.3 (page 11)

## Stimulus Money

### 1. State Stabilization

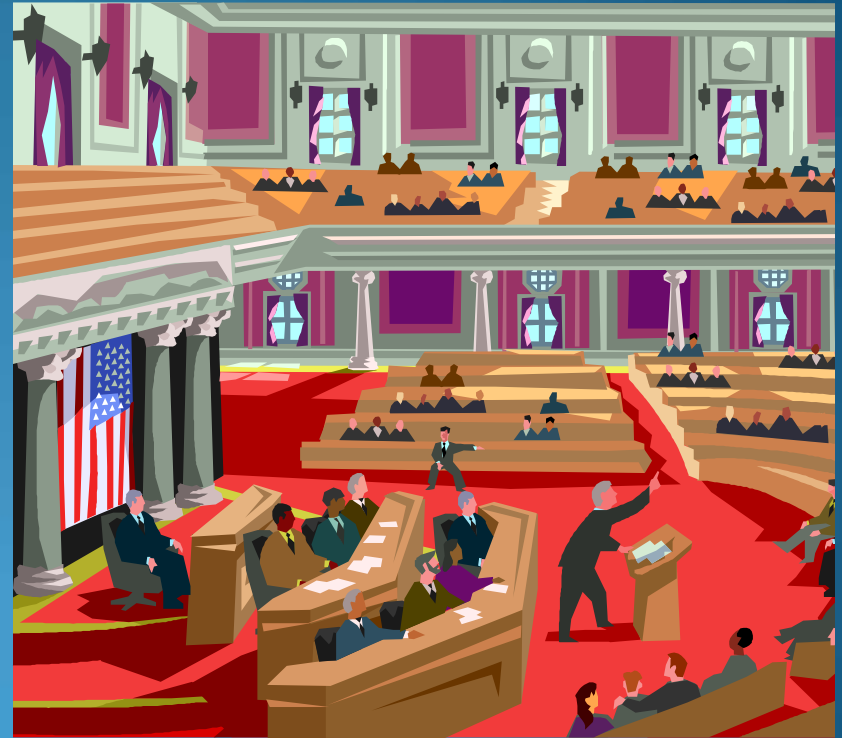
- a. Amount \$2,823,600
- b. Operating budget
- c. Designated high school staff
- d. Next year allocation (uncertain)

### 2. Special Education

- a. Amount \$825,000
- b. Materials/supplies (\$331,000)
- c. Capital outlay (\$355,808)
- d. Professional development (\$100,000)
- e. Next year (\$825,000)

### 3. Title

- a. Amount \$1,653,230
- b. Salaries (\$722,817)
- c. Equipment/supplies (\$552,183)
- d. Professional development (\$225,930)
- e. Instructional materials (\$90,700)
- f. Next year (left-over money)



# Discussion 9.4 (page 12)

## Block Scheduling

### 1. Concerns

- a. Impacts school calendar
- b. Rushes instruction
- c. Inhibits in-depth review
- d. Forces 2 testing times
- e. Consumes time

### 2. Parameters

- a. Protect dual enrollment
- b. Keep positive elements
- c. Protect start of school
- d. Test only once

### Potential Solution

#### A/B Schedule

- a. 1<sup>st</sup> Week MWF (a)/TT(b)
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Week MWF (b)/TT(a)
- c. Blocks (85 minutes)
- d. Year long classes
- e. Remediation block (30 min)
- f. School closures
- g. Dual Enrollment
  - \* Same class M-F
  - \* End of semester

# Discussion 9.5 (page 13)

## Stipends

### 1. Information

- a. Cover insurance increases
- b. Provide \$500 to certified
- c. Provide \$250 to classified
- d. Distribute in November

### 2. Concerns

- a. VRS payment
- b. State cuts
- c. Uncertainty
- d. Postpone?



# Discussion 9.6 (page 14)

## Six-Weeks and Semester Tests

### 1. Concerns

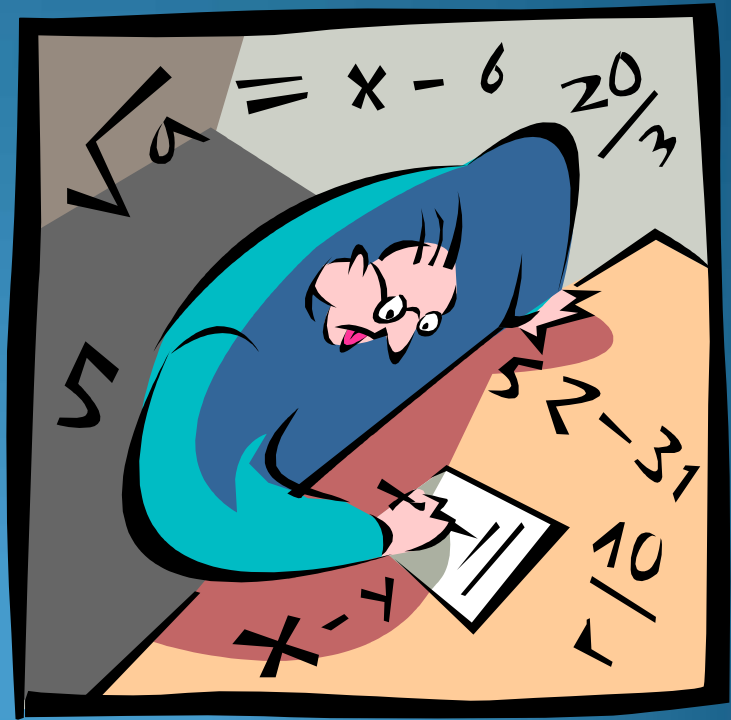
- a. Loss of instruction
- b. Competes with SOLs

### 2. Positives

- a. Attendance incentive
- b. Culmination test

### 3. Discussion

- a. No recommendation
- a. Strong feelings?
- b. Parameters?



# Discussion 9.7 (page 15)

## Zero-Gravity Flight

### 1. Information

- a. Zero-gravity flight
- b. Big Stone Gap Masonic
- c. SW Technology Council

### 2. Recognition

- a. David Stallard
- b. Donald Purdie
- c. Jack Kennedy
- d. Greg Cross
- e. Esther Bolling
- f. VA Ed. Association



# Discussion 9.8 (page 16)

## Volunteer Retirement Plan 403b

1. Need
  - a. Temporary solution
  - b. Compliance with IRS
  - c. Permanent solution
2. Single Provider
  - a. Better service
  - b. Third party administrator
  - c. Compliance issue



# Discussion 9.9 (page 77)

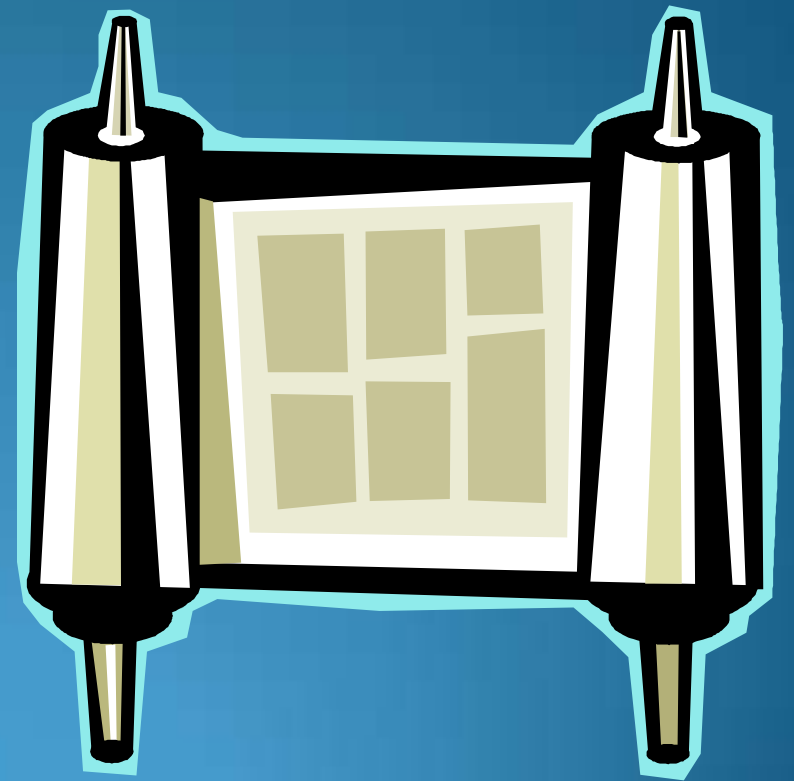
## Policy Revision

### 1. Purpose

- a. Review policies
- b. Become compliant
- c. Discuss
- d. Place on consent

### 2. Policy

- a. Policy BFC (77)  
Policy Adoption
- b. Policy GCPC (79)  
LROP
- c. Policy GDPC (80)  
LROP



# Discussion 9.10 (page 82)

## Consolidation

### 1. Requests for Proposals

- a. Sent on Oct. 6
- b. Due on Nov. 16

### 2. Financials

- a. Board of Supervisors
- b. Financial commitment

### 3. PPEA Process

- a. Contractor meeting (Oct. 21)
- b. Submittal deadline (Nov. 16)
- c. Preliminary eng. report
- d. Evaluate proposals



# Public/Private Education Act Schedule

<b>Num</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Time Frame</b>
1	Disseminate RFPs for solicited proposals	October 6 2009
2	Receive first round (prelim. eng. report)	November 16 2009
3	Review and select leading proposals	November/December 2009
4	Receive second round (more detailed)	December/January 2009/10
5	Award bid	January/February 2010
6	Final design work and refinement	February 2010
7	Construction begins	March 2010
8	School completed	August 2011
9	Open school	September 2011

# Action 10.1 (page 90)

## Employment

### 1. Purpose

- a. Approve personnel
- b. Formalize list

### 2. Plan

- a. Approve list (p. 80)
- b. Closed session if needed
- c. Contact before meeting

### 3. Recommendation

- a. Discussion
- b. Approve personnel list



# Action 10.2 (page 93)

## Bills Payable

### 1. Purpose

- a. Present bills payable
- b. Past month activity

### 2. Plan

- a. Review activity (p. 83)
- b. Contact before meeting

### 3. Recommendation

- a. Discussion
- b. Approve bills payable



# Action 10.3 (page 115)

## Years of Transfer Limit

### 1. Purpose

- a. Adopt policy
- b. Control years of transfer

### 2. Plan

- a. GCB-R (p. 115)
- b. Change (p. 116)
- c. Limit to 10 years transfer
- d. Discretionary power
- e. Superintendent
- f. Board approval

### 3. Recommendation

- a. Discussion
- b. Approve



# Action 10.4 (page 119)

## Purchasing Policy

### 1. Purpose

- a. Establishes internal control
- b. Establishes accountability
- c. Establishes responsibility

### 2. Plan

- a. Policy DJFB (p. 76)
- b. Responsibility
- c. Procedures
- d. Purchase order forms
- e. Processing purchasing orders
- f. Small purchasing

### 3. Recommendation

- a. Discuss
- b. Approve



# Action 10.5

## Appalachia Elementary Gym

### 1. Purpose

- a. Create gym at AES
- b. Improve opportunities
- c. Provide equity
- d. Address safety issues

### 2. Plan

- a. Build gym at AES
- b. Begin before HS

### 3. Recommendation

- a. Have standing direction
- b. Make decision



# Action 10.6 (page 123)

## Construction Management Services

### 1. Purpose

- a. Letter
- b. Additional documents
- c. Paid by respondents
- d. Delayed payment

### 2. Phase II Services

- a. Review proposal
- b. Clarify issues
- c. Recommendations

### 2. Recommendation

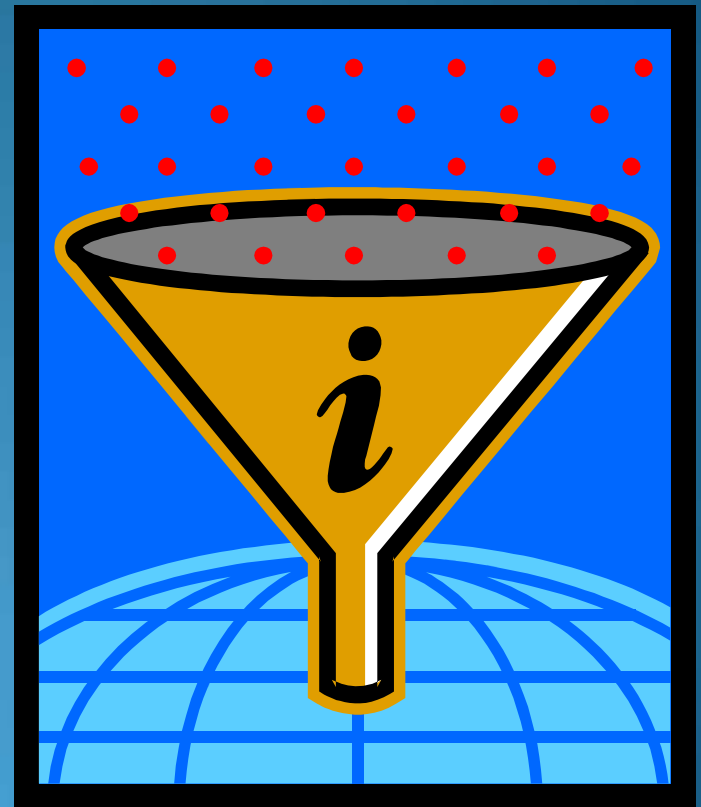
- a. Discussion
- b. Postpone until October



# Information 11.1 (page 27)

## Miscellaneous

1. Camera
2. Electronic doors
3. Flu Crisis Plan



# Information 11.2 (page 30)

## Good News

1. Fiber Connections
2. Differentiated Instruction
3. Art Display
4. Students with Disabilities
5. SPED Workshops
6. Graduation Rates



# Closed Session 12.1

## Closed Session Issues

1. Personnel 2.2-3711(1)
2. Legal 2.2-3711(3)
3. Home Schooling 2.2-3711(3)
4. Religious Exemptions 2.2-3711(3)



# Wise County School Board

## September 14, 2009

13. New Items
14. Board Comments
15. Adjournment

