

Weakley County, Tennessee
Health, Education, & Economic Development Committee
April 27, 2015, 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Commissioners Carmen Chandler, Jack Vincent, James Bynum, Dale Overton, James Roy Pope, Roger VanCleave, Larry Hudson, Scott Fortner, and Donald Doster.

The HEED Committee met on April 27, 2015, 6:30 p.m. at the Weakley County Department of Finance in the conference room. Others present included Commissioners Eric Owen, Dennis Doster, Larry Taylor, and Roger Donaldson, Jake Bynum- County Mayor, Randy Frazier-Director of Schools, John Hatler-School Board member, and representatives from the Dresden Enterprise and WCMT Radio.

Chairperson Chandler called the meeting to order.

New Business

Commissioner VanCleave made the motion to approve the April 13, 2015 minutes and with a second by Commissioner Fortner the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2015-34

The resolution involves moving funds in the general purpose school fund. Commissioner Pope made the motion to place the resolution on the floor for discussion and with a second by Commissioner Doster the motion passed unanimously. Discussion followed regarding the resolution. Mr. Frazier explained funds are being moved from the unassigned funds to capital outlay to fund the HVAC replacement for Martin Elementary School in the amount of \$1,233,367. Commissioner Overton made the motion to approve the resolution and with a second by Commissioner Pope the motion passed unanimously.

School Construction Building Proposal

Mr. Frazier addressed the committee and provided a handout regarding the county debt and funding on previous projects. Outstanding school debt is \$2,270,705 with total county debt of \$3,914,705. Discussion followed on financing of prior school construction projects.

Commissioner VanCleave made the motion to fund the 2015 school construction project by borrowing up to \$11,800,000 for 20 years at an interest rate to be negotiated with the lender; funds are to be repaid out of the debt service fund. Commissioner Doster seconded the motion. Discussion followed regarding what project items should or should not be removed from the construction proposal to arrive at the \$11.8M. Chairperson Chandler stated that trophy cases, HVAC screens, concession stand remodels, volleyball equipment, batting cages, etc. totaling approximately \$350,000 could be removed and funded thru local school booster organizations. Discussion of bleacher upgrades throughout the schools followed. Commissioner Hudson stated that after the renovations are complete the school administrators should take better care of their respective buildings. Discussion followed of what items were included or not included in the \$11.8M proposal. Commissioner Pope asked Mr. Frazier to outline what items were included in the \$11.8M proposal.

Mr. Frazier's reductions to the project are as follows:

\$13,235,479	Project Proposal
(797,106)	Air Lock Entrances
(682,843)	Adult Learning Center
(352,110)	Trophy cases, Sound systems, HVAC screens, MES restrooms
(88,338)	Stage Curtains
<u>450,000</u>	Add Sharon & Gleason Schools HVAC for Gyms
\$ 11,765,082	Total

Commissioner Vincent expressed his concern for the Martin Elementary School restrooms to be added back to the project due to the increased student enrollment. Discussion continued. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioners Pope, Doster, VanCleave, Hudson, Overton, and Chandler voting Yes. Commissioner Vincent, Fortner, and Bynum voting No. The motion passed with 6 Yes votes & 3 No votes.

Commissioner Hudson made the motion to adjourn and with a second by Commissioner Vincent the meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Shawn Francisco
Shawn Francisco, Recording Secretary
Health, Education & Economic Development Committee

Approved:



Carmen Chandler., Chairperson
Health, Education, & Economic Development Committee

Date: 5-11-2015