V I R G I N I A:

The Washington County School Board & Washington County Board of Supervisors met in Budget Work Session on Thursday, April 13, 2000, at 7:30 p.m. at the Washington County School Board Office. The following were present:

Dr. Alan Lee, Superintendent
Dr. Ron Ely, Asst. Supt.
Mr. Bill Brooks, Chairman
Ms. Elizabeth Lowe, Vice Chair
Mr. Jim Bishop
Mr. Buckey Boone
Mr. Kevin Downs
Ms. Kathryn Roark
Mr. Jimmy Wallace
Mr. Stephen Clear, Clerk

Board of Supervisors

Mr. Joe Derting, Chairman
Mr. John Roberts, Sr., Vice Chair
Mr. Jackson Barker
Mr. Bobby Ingle
Mr. Phillip B. McCall
Ms. Dulcie Mumpower
Mr. Mark K. Reeter, County Admn.

Mr. Tony Rector was absent from the meeting

1. Mr. Brooks, Chairman, called the School Board Meeting to order.

   Mr. Joe Derting, Chairman, called the Board of Supervisors' Meeting to order.

2. Determination of Quorum.

3. Dr. Alan Lee led the pledge of allegiance.

4. Upon motion by Ms. Lowe, seconded by Mr. Downs, by 7-0 vote, the School Board Meeting Agenda was approved.

   Upon motion by Mr. Ingle, seconded by Mr. Barker, by 6-0 vote, the Board of Supervisors' Meeting Agenda was approved.

6. Dr. Alan Lee presented the 2000-2001 Washington County Schools' Budget proposal. Asking for a 4% overall but 12% local increase in the budget.

   Items included in budget are:

- More remediation programs
- Elementary class size reduction
- Division-wide mathematics coordinator (additional funds)
- Division-wide reading coordinator (reassignment)
- Reading recovery program (reassignment)
- Full-time reading specialist at each elementary school (reassignment)
- Additional reading materials for classrooms (current resources)
- Early intervention phonics (current resources)

- Hire three additional teachers K-3 (eliminate four instructional assistant positions to help fund) {Current ratios: Elementary 1-19.2; Middle School 1-22.4; High School 1-19.2 (English), 1-17.2 (Science), 1-16-7 (Math), 1-17.4 (Social Studies)}
- Math teachers tech. sch. (current resources)
- GED Program (grant funds + additional money)
- Summer remediation enhancement (additional funds)
- Equipment and materials (Science, Math, Social Studies) (additional resources)
- Library books
- Computers – Technology – Add three technicians (additional funds)
- Institute pre-school program (current resources)
- 2.4% raise, a step raise, and an increase in the individual health insurance contribution is included
- Number of upper-level administrators reduced by two

  (Eliminate Assistant Superintendent position. Dr. Ely will move to Neff Center as Coordinator for Vocational, Adult and Alternative Education)
  (Eliminate Director of Management position)
  (Eliminate 1 ½ secretarial positions)
  (Administrative Assistant will become Secretary)
  (Combine Gifted & Talented with Technical Services)
  (Create Coordinator of Math & Testing)

  This should save $246,000.

  Retiring Administrators should save $107,000

Dr. Lee reported average teachers' salaries as:

Nationally	$41.500
Virginia	38,992
Washington Co.	33,965

Principals' Salaries:

Virginia	$68,108
Washington Co.	60,275

Asst. Principals' Salaries:

Virginia	$57,521
Washington Co.	55,536

Steve Clear presented the preliminary budget:

Total **General School Budget** as presented was $49,918,472. Total increase from 1999-2000 is $1,984,000.

The **Textbook Budget** was presented - $579,887. The State increased the per pupil amount to $61.25 requiring an increase of local funds (an increase of $67,040).

The **Food Service Budget** was presented - $2,606,167. There is no increase in the price of adult or student meals or milk.

The **Construction Fund Budget** was presented - $8,730,000.

7. Dr. Lee thanked the Board of Supervisors for their patience. We have a good school system and plan to make it even better. We know the Board of Supervisors is faced with a tough challenge. The school system is open to suggestions.

8. Mr. Derting spoke on behalf of the Board of Supervisors saying they appreciated the opportunity to meet with the School Board and emphasized the need for good public education.

7. Upon motion by Mr. Wallace, seconded by Mr. Bishop, by 7-0 vote, the meeting adjourned.

8. Mr. Derting announced the Board of Supervisors would recess until 6:00 p.m. on April 25, 2000.

9. Upon motion by Mr. Barker, seconded by Mr. Roberts, by 6-0 vote, the meeting adjourned.

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Joe W. Derting, Chairman