

**MINUTES**  
**Scotland County Board of Commissioners**  
**Special Meeting, June 14, 2005**  
**Scotland County Annex, 231 East Cronly Street, Laurinburg, NC**

At 5:30 p.m., Chairman J.D. Willis called the special meeting to order. Commissioners in attendance: Chairman Willis, Vice Chair Betty Blue Gholston and Commissioners John Alford, Leon Butler, Charles “Scoofer” Jordan, Joyce McDow and Clarence McPhatter. Staff in attendance: Finance Officer/Assistant County Manager Kevin Patterson and Clerk to the Board Ann W. Kurtzman.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and duly seconded by Commissioner Alford to go into Closed Session held in accordance with N.C. General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6) to consider qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointments, or conditions of initial employment of a present or prospective public officer or employee. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

**OPEN SESSION RESUMED**

Finance Officer/Assistant County Manager Kevin Patterson discussed the written request by the Board of Education seeking concurrence from the Commissioners to draw down from the State \$417,599 in ADM funds. The Board of Education also requested that \$400,000 of that amount be applied to the schools to assist with Capital needs.

Chairman Willis said he would like the schools to use its \$900,000 Capital Fund Fund Balance, as well as a conversion of some of the school’s \$2.2 million General Fund Fund Balance to support Capital needs first.

Mr. Patterson discussed several restricted reserve scenarios on when the school debt would be retired based on whether or not the Commissioners agreed to the Capital Outlay request by the schools.

Chairman Willis said that if “you bleed this account up front” and something goes wrong with sales tax projections, the taxpayers would have to pay for that in ad valorem taxes.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Alford and duly seconded by Commissioner McPhatter to authorize the draw down of the \$417,599 in State ADM funds. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

*The Board of Commissioners by consensus agreed that the Board of Education should first utilize reserves from its Capital account and convert funds from its General Fund Fund Balance to support its capital needs before making a request for ADM funds.*

Chairman Willis distributed a list of the salaries of the top 10 positions in the schools. The Commissioners received the information and agreed to do nothing more with it at this time.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and duly seconded by Commissioner McDow to recess until 7 p.m. June 14, 2005 in the Commissioners Chamber. Vote: Motion unanimously approved.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann W. Kurtzman  
Clerk

J.D. Willis  
Chairman