

School Building Authority of West Virginia
Minutes
March 16 and 17, 2009

I.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Jonathan Deem, the Governor's new designee called the School Building Authority of West Virginia (SBA) meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. on March 16, 2009. The following members were present: Mr. Louis Spatafore; Mrs. Burma Hatfield; Dr. Steven Paine; Mr. Tom Lange; Mrs. Connie Perry; Mr. Nicholas Preservati; Mrs. Delores Cook; Mr. Robert Dunlevy and Dr. Mark A. Manchin, Executive Director. Mr. Steve Burton and Mr. Robert Holroyd were absent. Also present were the following SBA staff members: Mr. David Sneed; Mr. Garry Stewart; Mr. Scott Raines; Mr. Mike Pickens; Mr. Mike Hall; Ms. Sherry Grogg, Ms. Mary Blashford and Ms. Stella Gill.

II.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

Other attendees include: Garry Young, G&G Builders; Mike Davis, G&G Builders; Mike Clowser, Contractors Association of WV; C. R. Neighborgall, Neighborgall Construction; David Kirby, Scott & Stringfellow; Ted Shriver, Williamson Shriver Architects; Craig Jennings, Preston County; Rick Colbank, Alpha & Associates; John Miller, Sustainable Educational Facilities; John Linager, JLL Inc.; Richard Rosen, BBL Carlson; Keith McClanahan, BBL Carlson; David McKinley, McKinley & Associates; Skip Hackworth, Superintendent of Mineral County; Steve Peer, Mineral County Schools and Steve White, Affiliated Construction Trades.

III.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Mr. Tom Lange, with second by Mr. Robert Dunlevy, the Authority approved the minutes for the December 8, 2008 Quarterly meeting.

Upon motion by Mrs. Delores Cook, with second by Mrs. Connie Perry, the Authority approved the minutes for the February 6, 2009 Special meeting.

IV.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Mark A. Manchin provided a brief overview of the current status of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. He informed the Authority that he had sent a letter to the Governor along with a drafted list of projects that he was requesting to be funded by the Federal Recovery and Reinvestment funds. He also stated that he planned to keep in correspondence with the Governor's Office and would report back with any further details when they were available.

V.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Mr. Tom Lange, with a second by Mr. Delores Cook, the Authority approved the following items from the consent agenda:

Hancock County's CEFP Amendment

The Hancock County Board of Education requested an amendment to their 2000 – 2010 CEFP. This amendment provides for the addition of air conditioning to the existing system at Oak Glen High School.

Jefferson County's CEFP Amendment

The Jefferson County Board of Education requested an amendment to their 2000 – 2010 CEFP. This amendment provides for the construction of a new Pre K-2 school.

Taylor County's CEFP Amendment

The Taylor County Board of Education requested an amendment to their 2000 – 2010 CEFP. This amendment provides for the installation of three roof top HVAC units at Taylor County Middle School.

Wayne County's CEFP Amendment

The Wayne County Board of Education requested an amendment to their 2000 – 2010 CEFP. This amendment provides for a new Elementary School in Fort Gay.

VI.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Jonathan Deem recognized Mr. Nicholas Preservati to present a Finance Committee Report to the Authority members which provided a brief overview of items discussed during the recent Finance Committee meeting as follows:

Investment Strategies / Bonding Capacity

Mr. Preservati informed the Authority members that the Finance Committee and SBA staff were continuing to closely monitor the SBA's investments to assure that the funds were secure. He then introduced Mr. David Kirby with Scott & Stringfellow to provide further details. At this time, Mr. Kirby presented the Authority with an overview of the status of the SBA's investments.

Public Private Financing for School Construction

Dr. Mark A. Manchin directed the Authority's attention to Senate Bill 274, which allows county boards of education to enter into lease-purchase agreements and informed them that a copy of this bill was provided in Attachment H of their agenda. He then provided a brief overview of the bill and its effect on the School Building Authority.

Dr. Manchin then introduced Mr. John Linager with JLL, Inc. and Mr. John Miller with Sustainable Educational Facilities. Both of these men are interested in participating with counties to construct schools by utilizing a lease-purchase financing method. Dr. Manchin asked them to provide the Authority with details regarding the lease-purchase financing method and how they foresee the SBA

being involved. The gentlemen answered various questions from the Authority. Next, Dr. Manchin recognized Mr. Mike Davis with G&G Builders, Keith McClanahan with BBL Carlson and David McKinley with McKinley & Associates for the purpose of providing their opinions from both an architectural and contractor's point of view. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Dr. Manchin informed the Authority that he was not asking them to make a decision on the viability of using this financing method in conjunction with SBA projects at this time. He stated that his intent was to keep them informed of all the available funding options. He also stated that the SBA staff would continue to monitor the progress to Senate Bill 274 and report back to the Authority with any further information as necessary.

At this time, without objection, the items on the Construction Committee Report were moved to be considered at the beginning of the meeting on Tuesday, March 17, 2009.

VIII.

PROJECT REVIEWS AND INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

Presentations and project interviews with county superintendents and board presidents were held on March 16 and 17, 2009. Presentations were limited to a maximum of five minutes with an additional five minutes for questions and answers. Handouts describing the county's presentation were distributed during the interviews. The Authority interviewed the following counties on Monday, March 16, 2009:

HARRISON COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$7,500,000 LOCAL FUNDS - \$2,500,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$10,000,000

Ms. Susan Collins, Superintendent of Harrison County schools, provided a project overview stating that Harrison County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$7,500,000 for a new replacement school for Lumberport Elementary. Once the new school is completed, the old school will be demolished. In response to an earlier question from Mrs. Connie Perry, Ms. Collins assured the Authority that Harrison County had no intention of utilizing lease-purchase financing for this project. Other people in attendance representing Harrison County were Mr. Paul Howe, the Board President and Mr. Victor Gabriel.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$6,703,500 LOCAL FUNDS - \$1,000,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$7,703,500

Ms. Susan Wall, Superintendent of Jefferson County schools, provided a project overview stating that Jefferson County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$6,703,500 for the construction of a new PK-2 Primary School. This new school will relieve overcrowding at multiple schools and eliminate the use of portables at the elementary level in Jefferson County. Other people in attendance representing Jefferson County were Mr. Peter Daugherty, the Board President and Mr. Bill Ratcliffe with Williamson Shriver Architects.

BERKELEY COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$25,000,000 LOCAL FUNDS - \$28,124,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$53,124,000

Mr. Manuel Arvon, Superintendent of Berkeley County schools, provided a project overview stating that Berkeley County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$25,000,000 for a new Spring Mills

High School. This project will eliminate 115 portables and is contingent upon the passage of a local bond issue. Dr. Bill Queen, the Board President, was also in attendance to represent Berkeley County.

GRANT COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$11,645,903 LOCAL FUNDS - \$-0- TOTAL FUNDS – \$11,645,903

Mr. Dennis Albright, Assistant Superintendent of Grant County schools, provided a project overview stating that Grant County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$11,645,903 for Phase Two renovations at Petersburg High School. The renovations include: new roof; windows and door hardware replacement; new entry with surveillance; ADA accessibility in cafeteria and C-wing restrooms; lighting; carpeting; complete interior renovations in C-wing and HVAC replacement. Other people in attendance representing Grant County were Mr. Jerry Ours, the Board President and Mr. Brent Nelson.

HARDY COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$4,263,096 LOCAL FUNDS - \$200,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$4,463,096

Ms. Barbara Whitecotton, Superintendent of Hardy County schools, provided a project overview stating that Hardy County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$4,263,096 for renovations at Moorefield Elementary School. With the completion of the new Moorefield Intermediate School, Moorefield Elementary is to become a PK-2 school. The renovations on this project include: wall adjustments; interior doors; flooring; ceiling tiles; ADA; electrical; new fire alarm and intercom systems; HVAC upgrades and furnishing and equipment. The Authority asked how many Pre-K children were they able to accommodate at this time. Ms. Whitecotton stated they had the majority enrolled at this time but they were only attending two days a week. This project would allow them to increase the class time to four days a week.

The Authority then asked if Hardy County had any plans to run a Bond in the next CEFP cycle. Ms. Whitecotton stated the Board had not made a definite decision yet, but she hoped to run one in the next eighteen to twenty-four months. The Authority asked if this project was not funded this year, would Hardy County be willing to bring it back in another funding cycle in conjunction with a Bond. Ms. Whitecotton stated that they would look at that possibility. Other people in attendance representing Hardy County were: Mr. Rich Perkins, a Board Member; Mr. Hott, Moorefield Elementary Principal and Mr. Bill Ratcliffe, with Williamson Shriver Architects.

TUCKER COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$2,032,023 LOCAL FUNDS - \$60,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$2,092,023

Mr. Richard Hicks, Superintendent of Tucker County schools, provided a project overview stating that Tucker County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$2,032,023 for HVAC and electrical upgrades at Davis Thomas Elementary/Middle School. When questioned by Authority members, she stated that the last levy was passed two years ago and the last Bond was in 1978. Other people in attendance representing Tucker County were: Mr. Buzz Eldon Harper, a Board Member and Mr. David Dilly, the Director of Services.

RANDOLPH COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$2,022,273 LOCAL FUNDS - \$224,697 TOTAL FUNDS – \$2,246,970

Mr. Terry George, Superintendent of Randolph County schools, provided a project overview stating that Randolph County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$2,022,273 for Phase Three renovations at Elkins Middle School. The renovations on this project include: upgrading the plumbing system and upgrades to the electrical system to include installing DDC controls to the lighting system. Other people in attendance representing Randolph County were: Ed Tyre, the Board President and John Daniels.

HANCOCK COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$1,749,287 LOCAL FUNDS - \$437,322 TOTAL FUNDS – \$2,186,609

Ms. Suzan Smith, Superintendent of Hancock County schools, provided a project overview stating that Hancock County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$1,749,287 for air-conditioning at Oak Glen High School. Ms Smith stated that Hancock County was looking at attempting to run Bond in 2010. Other people in attendance representing Hancock County were: Mr. Jerry Durante, the Board President and Mr. Randy Swartzmiller, a member of WV House of Delegates.

BROOKE COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$1,307,392 LOCAL FUNDS - \$600,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$1,907,392

Ms. Mary K. DeGarmo, Superintendent of Brooke County schools, provided a project overview stating that Brooke County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$1,307,392 for renovations at Follansbee Middle School. The renovations for this project include: new windows and exterior doors; HVAC for gym/classrooms; upgrade restrooms; new exterior steps and re-facing of the corner of building. Ms. DeGarmo stated that this was the 7th time that Brooke County had submitted this project to the SBA for Needs funds. Mr. William Harvey, the Board President, was also in attendance to represent Brooke County.

OHIO COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$4,000,000 LOCAL FUNDS - \$570,604 TOTAL FUNDS – \$4,570,604

Mr. Larry Miller, Superintendent of Ohio County schools, provided a project overview stating that Ohio County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$4,000,000 for the conversion of the existing steam heating system to a hot water heating system at Madison Elementary School. Other people in attendance representing Ohio County were: Mr. George Krelis and Dianna Vargo

MARSHALL COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$24,931,000 LOCAL FUNDS - \$6,720,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$31,651,000

Mr. Fred Renzella, Superintendent of Marshall County schools, provided a project overview stating that Marshall County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$24,931,000 for a new Cameron Middle/High School (Grades 6-12). Marshall County will be returning \$2,180,000 from their 2008 Needs project. These funds would have renovated Cameron School. Marshall County is requesting that this school be replaced and has committed all local bond and capital improvement funds available to the replacement project. Other people in attendance representing Marshall County were: Mr. Roger Lewicki, the Board President; Mr. David Hall, the Board Vice-President; Mr. Wayne Simms and Mr. Jim Tuel.

WETZEL COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$2,290,805 LOCAL FUNDS - \$254,354 TOTAL FUNDS – \$2,545,339

Mr. William Jones, Superintendent of Wetzel County schools, provided a project overview stating that Wetzel County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$2,290,805 for upgrades to the HVAC system at New Martinsville School. Other people in attendance representing Wetzel County were: Mr. Bob Patterson, the Board Vice-President and Mr. Jeff Lancaster.

TYLER COUNTY

SBA FUNDS – \$2,354,089 LOCAL FUNDS - \$261,566 TOTAL FUNDS – \$2,615,655

Mr. Jeff Hoover, Superintendent of Tyler County schools, provided a project overview stating that Tyler County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$2,354,089. This project would include the replacement of HVAC Systems and new controls in three schools as follows: Arthur I. Boreman Elementary at a cost of \$1,141,667; Sistersville Elementary at a cost of \$1,030,810 and the Tyler County Preschool Center at a cost of \$443,178. Other people in attendance representing Tyler County were: Ms. Linda Hoover, the Board President; Amanda Kimble and Mr. Jeff Davis.

MARION COUNTY

SBA FUNDS – \$10,500,000 LOCAL FUNDS - \$1,200,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$11,700,000

Mr. Tom Detrick, Assistant Superintendent of Marion County schools and Reverend James Saunders, the Board President, provided a project overview stating that Marion County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$10,500,000 for renovations at Fairmont Senior High School. The renovations for this project would include: expansion for a media and technology center within the existing courtyard; HVAC; upgrades to lighting and electric; full sprinklering of the facility and ADA requirements. This project was part of the local bond issue which failed in May, 2008.

DODDRIDGE COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$2,756,266 LOCAL FUNDS - \$145,067 TOTAL FUNDS - \$2,901,333

Ms. Janice Michaels, Superintendent of Doddridge County schools, provided a project overview stating that Doddridge County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$2,756,266 for addition/renovations at Doddridge County Elementary School. This project will provide a new dining room, a larger art/music room, a safe schools entrance, a food storage room, and additional restrooms on the second floor. Other people in attendance representing Doddridge County were: Mr. Denver Burnside, the Board President; Mr. Ted Shriver, with Williamson Shriver Architects and Mr. Gregory Koontz.

PUTNAM COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$21,745,736 LOCAL FUNDS - \$-0- TOTAL FUNDS – \$21,745,736

Mr. Harold “Chuck” Hatfield, Superintendent of Putnam County schools, provided a project overview stating that Putnam County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$21,745,736 for the construction of a new Winfield Middle School. He stated that if funded, this project would take care of an overcrowding problem and eliminate portables. This project is in conjunction with a local bond issue of \$55,074,480. Other people in attendance representing Putnam County schools were: Dr. Craig Spicer, the Board President and Mr. Bill Duncan.

JACKSON COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$2,063,650 LOCAL FUNDS - \$687,884 TOTAL FUNDS – \$2,751,534

Mr. Blain Hess, Superintendent of Jackson County schools, provided a project overview stating that Jackson County is requesting SBA funds in the amount of \$2,063,650 for an addition at Evans Elementary School. The addition is for a new kitchen; cafeteria; five classrooms and public restrooms. This project would eliminate the use of three portables. Other people in attendance representing Jackson County were: Mr. Gary Samples and Jack Wiseman.

KANAWHA COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$9,830,100 LOCAL FUNDS - \$4,498,845 TOTAL FUNDS – \$14,328,945

Dr. Ronald Duerring, Superintendent of Kanawha County schools, provided a project overview stating that Kanawha County would like to request a Planning/Reserve Grant in order to provide Kanawha County with more time to finalize their plan. The project that they have currently submitted is requesting SBA funds in the amount of \$9,830,100 for the second new elementary school on the Westside of Charleston. According to the project they submitted, once this new elementary school is completed, Robins and Watts Elementary Schools will be closed. When asked what they plan to do about the Bonham Elementary students, he stated that they were still looking at the situation but the Board had not yet taken official action. He stated that if they closed Bonham Elementary, they were looking at possibly incorporating some of the students into the second new West Side school and the rest at Flinn Elementary. Dr. Duerring also stated that they were also looking at the possibility of running a Bond. Other people in attendance representing Kanawha County were: Ms. Becky Jordan, the Board President and Chuck Wilson.

RECESSED

There being no further business to come before the Authority at this time, the Authority recessed until 8:30 a.m., March 17, 2009.

RECONVENED – MARCH 17, 2009

Mrs. Connie Perry called the SBA meeting to order and at 8:30 a.m. on March 17, 2009. Mr. Jonathan Deem arrived late to the meeting due to a meeting with the Governor's office. Once he arrived to the meeting, he presided over the remainder of the meeting. The following members were present: Mr. Louis Spatafore; Mrs. Burma Hatfield; Dr. Steven Paine; Mr. Tom Lange; Mrs. Connie Perry; Mrs. Delores Cook; Mr. Robert Dunlevy and Dr. Mark A. Manchin, Executive Director. Mr. Steve Burton; Mr. Nicholas Preservati; Dr. Steven Paine and Mr. Robert Holroyd were absent. Also present were the following SBA staff members: Mr. David Sneed; Mr. Garry Stewart; Mr. Scott Raines; Mr. Mike Pickens; Mr. Mike Hall; Ms. Sherry Grogg, Ms. Mary Blashford and Ms. Stella Gill.

VII.

CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

In light of Mr. Steve Burton's absence Mr. David Sneed presented the Construction Committee's

recommendations. The SBA took the following actions on those recommendations:

Policy 6200 Square Foot Changes & SBA Funding Formula Revisions

The SBA staff has reviewed the recent revisions in the State Board Policy 6200, handbook on planning school facilities. The also met with State Department of Education staff regarding these changes and specifically discussed the required square footage changes proposed. Based on these meetings and our review of the new policy, the Committee recommends approval of amending the SBA new school funding formula to allow for additional building area in new school construction projects as detailed in Attachment I of the agenda.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Delores Cook with a second by Mr. Louis Spatafore, the Authority approved the proposed revisions to the SBA new school funding formulas.

Pendleton County – Roofing Project Funds

Pendleton County received a roofing grant in the amount of \$15,000 to replace the roof on a portion of Brandywine Elementary School. They later received a Needs Grant to provide additions and renovations to Brandywine School. The roofing project was delayed to allow coordination of the renovation work and the roofing work. The roofing grant funding was encumbered but not spent or requisitioned for from the SBA. Based on information received from the county these funds were swept during the December, 2008 meeting. However, the funding is necessary to complete the project and Pendleton County is requesting reinstatement of these funds.

Upon a motion by Mr. Tom Lange with a second by Mr. Robert Dunlevy, the Authority approved that upon the SBA's receipt of a letter from Pendleton County requesting a waiver, the \$15,000 in SBA funds would be reinstated.

Roofing Project Grants

As a follow-up to the Authority's directive, the SBA solicited information from all counties with regard to roofing repairs and replacement. This information is being evaluated and will be reviewed with a roofing consultant and all projects prioritized for funding consideration. The SBA has also completed a list of potential HVAC projects for funding consideration from the 2008 MIP projects and 2009 Needs projects. These projects have the potential to be funded with Federal Recovery and Reinvestment funds if we can comply with the timelines for expenditure of funding. The SBA is in the process of evaluating all projects and will prepare a recommendation for potential federal funding.

Upon a motion by Mr. Tom Lang with a second by Mr. Robert Dunlevy, the Authority approved the SBA staff's request for an \$80,000 3% Grant to enable the SBA to contract with a qualified roofing consultant to complete a review of the roofing surveys as soon as the funding source for the roofing projects is identified.

CONTINUATION OF PROJECT INTERVIEWS WITH COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS AND BOARD PRESIDENTS

Presentations and project interviews with superintendents and county board presidents were continued. The following counties made presentations:

UPSHUR COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$1,645,185 LOCAL FUNDS - \$138,520 TOTAL FUNDS - \$1,783,705

Mr. Scott Lampinen, Superintendent of Upshur County schools, provided a project overview stating that Upshur County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$1,645,185 for addition/renovations at Washington District Elementary School. The addition is two classrooms and renovations include: roof replacement and a new fire sprinkler system. Other people in attendance representing Upshur County were: Mr. Lance Koury, the Board President and Mr. Rick Malcom.

FAYETTE COUNTY

SBA FUNDS – \$25,000,000 LOCAL FUNDS - \$30,839,083 TOTAL FUNDS – \$55,839,083

Mr. Chris Perkins, Superintendent of Fayette County schools, provided a project overview stating that Fayette County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$25,000,000 for a new Fayette Plateau High School. This project is contingent upon the passage of a local bond issue. Upon completion of the new high school, Mount Hope High School will be converted to a PK-4; Fayetteville High School will become a PK-8; Midland Trail High School will become a 5-8 middle School and Oak Hill High School will become a 5-8 middle school. With the completion of the new high school, the following existing buildings will be closed: Ansted Middle, Nuttall Middle, Gatewood Elementary, Fayetteville Elementary, Mount Hope Elementary and Collins Middle. Mr. Perkins stated that Fayette County would be happy to accept a Planning/Reserve Grant until they had successfully passed their Bond. He stated that he anticipated running their Bond in either September or October of 2009. Mr. Perkins also thanked the Authority for their support in past and informed them that the new Oak Hill Elementary is scheduled to open in September, 2009. Other people in attendance representing Fayette County were: Mr. David Arritt, the Board President; Mr. Leon Newman, the Board Vice-President and Mr. Dave Ferguson, with ZMM.

ROANE COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$5,006,386 LOCAL FUNDS - \$250,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$5,256,386

Mr. Steve Goffreda, Superintendent of Roane County schools, provided a project overview stating that Roane County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$5,006,386 for addition/renovations at Geary Elementary/Middle School. The renovations will include an elevator. The addition for this project includes: three general classrooms, music classroom, science lab and a gymnasium. Mr. Goffreda informed the Authority that they had submitted this project last year for Needs funding but were not funded. He stated that they had taken the Authority's advice and amended the project this year to include the installation of an elevator as well as streamlining the rest of the project in order to lower the amount of requested funds. Other people in attendance representing Roane County were: Mr. Joseph Painter, the Board President and Mr. Michael Offut.

GILMER COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$8,211,596 LOCAL FUNDS - \$50,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$8,261,596

Mr. Ed Toman, Superintendent of Gilmer County schools, provided a project overview stating that Gilmer County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$8,211,596 for a new PK-6 Normantown Elementary School. Mrs. Phyllis Starkey, the Board President, provided further details regarding the

issues facing Gilmer County. The site selected for the new school is located seven miles out of Glenville and will cost \$200,000. Last year, the SBA provided funds for Gilmer to place two portables on the Normantown Elementary grounds to provide adequate classroom space due to the mold and structural issues inside the school. Gilmer County was given approval to utilize these portables for two years and was strongly encouraged to come up with an alternate solution during that time.

When asked what the county planned to do regarding the recent structural issues raised at the Troy and Sand Fork Elementary Schools, she stated that she would like to see one school built to consolidate Sand Fork and Glenville Elementary Schools and sometime in the future possibly a regional school that would combine the Troy student with a nearby Lewis County elementary. The Authority asked Mrs. Starkey that if the Normantown project was approved for funding, did Gilmer County plan to come back to the Authority to fund the other schools. Mrs. Starkey said that they were uncertain at this time because they were still working on the details but they probably would. Mrs. Starkey was also asked if the county was over the state aid formula in staffing and she stated that they over by twelve employees.

After a lengthy discussion, the Authority stated that they would recommend that Gilmer County work with SBA staff and come up with a plan to resolve the issues at all the schools not just Normantown. The Authority also encouraged Gilmer County to look at possibly running a Bond to assist with the financing of this plan. Also in attendance representing Gilmer County was Mrs. Misty Pritt, a Board member.

BARBOUR COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$1,114,234 LOCAL FUNDS - \$196,630 TOTAL FUNDS – \$1,310,864

Dr. DeEdra Lundeen, Superintendent of Barbour County schools, provided a project overview stating that Barbour County was originally requesting SBA funds in the amount of \$1,114,234 for addition/renovations at Junior Elementary School. She stated that she had met with finance director just before coming to this meeting and that she was happy to inform them that Barbour County would be able to increase their local contribution to a full 20% of the entire project total. This would bring the total local contribution to \$262,000. The renovations for this project include safety and security (fixed bollards) at the new front entrance; roof; HVAC replacement; dividing a current classroom into two small group instruction areas and the addition, two Pre-K classrooms and an outdoor learning center. Other people in attendance representing Barbour County were: Mr. Patrick Jones, the Board President and Mr. Glen Sweet.

RITCHIE COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$4,379,162 LOCAL FUNDS - \$200,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$4,579,162

Mr. Robert Daquilante, Superintendent of Ritchie County schools, provided a project overview stating that Ritchie County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$4,379,162 for addition, renovations of Smithville Elementary School and the demolition of the older portion. Mr. Daquilante stated that currently, due to inadequate space, they are sending 60 students to other school of which 15 are special needs students. If this project is funded, they will be able to bring those students back to the Smithville School. When asked about their local levy, he stated that they currently had a 65% Levy of which 5% was dedicated to school maintenance. He also stated that in order to better maintain their facilities; they had recently hired two new maintenance people bring their total of maintenance staff to five. Other people in attendance representing Ritchie County were: Ms. Carolyn Bowie, the Board President; Mr. Todd Zachwieja, with ZDS and Mr. Dale Withrow.

LOGAN COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$11,267,910 LOCAL FUNDS – \$500,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$11,767,910

Ms. Wilma Zigmond, Superintendent of Logan County schools, provided a project overview stating that Logan County was originally requesting SBA funds in the amount of \$11,267,910 for a new Logan PK-4 Elementary. When asked about the county contributing only \$500,000 in local funds for this project, she stated that Logan County would come up with at least \$1,000,000 in local funds. This would reduce the total requested SBA funds to \$10,767,910. The new school will replace the current Logan Elementary and include students from Verdunville Elementary. With the completion of the new school, Logan and Verdunville Elementary Schools will be closed.

The Authority asked if the county had selected a site and what the cost would be. Ms. Zigmond stated that the county had selected a site located in a retail area just past the Wal-Mart on Corridor G and it has been priced at between \$2 and \$2.5 Million. The Authority encouraged Logan County to obtain an official appraisal to ascertain the true value of the property. The Authority stated that they felt this was quite a lot to pay for a school site and that the county may want to look at their options to assure that they do not pay too much for a site. Mr. Junior Amburgy was also in attendance representing Logan County.

MERCER COUNTY

SBA - \$4,121,883 LOCAL FUNDS - \$500,000 TOTAL FUNDS - \$4,621,883

Dr. Deborah Akers, Superintendent of Mercer County schools, provided a project overview stating that Mercer County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$4,121,883 for the construction of a new PK-5 Oakvale Elementary School. Portions of the current school will be demolished and the new school will connect to the present lobby entrance and gym. They plan to keep the original gym and three existing classrooms but the rest of the school would be new construction. The 6-8 grade students will attend the new Pikeview Middle School when completed. The Authority expressed concerns as to if this project could be completed for the amount submitted in this request.

The Authority asked if this was one of the schools connected to the last year's new Pikeview Middle Schools project and if so, did they plan to come back in the next couple years with similar projects for the other schools. Dr. Akers stated that Lashmeet/Matoaka school was relatively new and would not need any updates at this time but that yes, the Athens and Spanishburgh Schools would be the next project on their agendas. The Authority stated that since Mercer planned to bring back Athens and Spanishburgh for projects in the near future, they would recommend the county look at trying to run a Bond in conjunction with a future project submittal to resolve the issues of all three schools.

MASON COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$4,956,940 LOCAL FUNDS - \$200,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$5,156,940

Dr. Larry Parsons, Superintendent of Mason County schools, provided a project overview stating that Mason County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$4,956,940 for renovation, addition and demolition of a portion of Leon Elementary School. The demolition would get rid of older wood structure buildings and a new addition would be constructed. The renovations for this project include: upgrades to HVAC, electrical system, new roof, security exterior lighting and a new technology system. The Authority stated that considering the age of this structure and the enrollment of this school being

147 students it might be a better idea to just build a new school rather than sink \$5,000,000 into a 57 year old structure.

The Authority asked if Dr. Parsons was aware that the project, as submitted, was only eligible to receive 65% of the replacement cost which was a little less than \$3 Million under SBA Policy & Procedures. Dr. Parsons stated that he had not been aware of this, but that the original cost estimates for the project had been around \$6,000,000 but had been reduced to comply with SBA square footage cost. He stated that they hoped by the time the project went to bid the cost may be lower due to the economy but that the situation simply is what it is. Mr. Thomas Nunnery, the Board President, was also present representing Mason County.

WEBSTER COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$1,970,000 LOCAL FUNDS - \$30,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$2,000,000

Mr. A.J. Rogers, Superintendent of Webster County schools, provided a project overview stating that Webster County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$1,970,000 for Phase Two renovations at Glade Elementary/Middle School. Ms. Mary Ann Carpenter provided further details regarding this. She informed the Authority that the renovations for this project would include the replacement of the HVAC and lighting.

WOOD COUNTY

SBA FUNDS – \$7,500,000 LOCAL FUNDS - \$500,000 TOTAL FUNDS – \$8,000,000

Mr. William Niday, Superintendent of Wood County schools, provided a project overview stating that Wood County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$7,500,000. The total cost of the project is \$8,000,000 of which \$4,000,000 would be spent on addition/renovations at Edison Middle and \$4,000,000 would be spent on addition/renovations at Jackson Middle. Wood County has dedicated \$500,000 local funds to this project. The addition/renovations for this project include: Edison Middle – Five classrooms, security link, sprinkler system and at Jackson Middle – Three classrooms, security link to include all facilities, second floor restrooms, ADA compliant lunchroom and sprinkler system. Mr. Niday stated that if only partial funds were available, the Edison Middle would be the first priority. Mr. Rick Olcott, the Board President was also in attendance representing Wood County.

WAYNE COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$10,754,520 LOCAL FUNDS - \$-0- TOTAL FUNDS – \$10,754,520

Mr. Gary Adkins, Superintendent of Wayne County schools, provided a project overview stating that Wayne County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$10,754,520 for a new Fort Gay Elementary School. Mr. Adkins stated that the layout of the current school was like a maze and the grounds were a security nightmare with 34 exterior doors and 8 different buildings. Many times the students are unescorted when walking between buildings. He also stated that the current school has 4 different HVAC types and no indoor space for physical education or art. The Authority asked Mr. Adkins about their current budget carryover and asked why they were not contributing local funds. The Authority also pointed out that Wayne County had a history of contributing very little local funds to their project and was encouraged to look at this issue. Mr. Adkins stated that most of their carry was already dedicated to various items and he felt they had been contributing more local funds than what the SBA records indicated. The Authority requested that Wayne County provide the SBA staff with the

information regarding the local funds they been contributing so that they could update the records. Mr. Jerry Workman was also in attendance representing Wayne County.

CABELL COUNTY

SBA FUNDS - \$21,565,836 LOCAL FUNDS - \$2,000,000 TOTAL FUNDS -- \$23,565,836

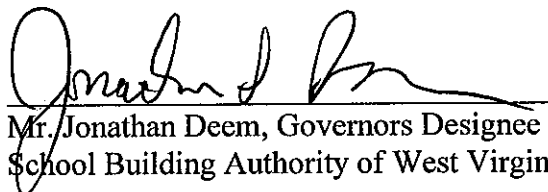
Mr. William Smith, Superintendent of Cabell County schools, provided a project overview stating that Cabell County requests SBA funds in the amount of \$21,565,836 for a new Beverly Hills/Enslow Middle School. At the completion of the new middle school, Beverly Hills and Enslow Middle Schools will be closed. Mr. Smith stated that they would like this school to be a "Green School". The Authority asked if the county already had a site. Mr. Smith stated that they had already picked out a site that was currently owned by Pretera. He stated that the county planed to obtain this property through the Eminent Domain process but that the petitions had not yet been filed. Mr. Smith was informed that the Authority had received letters stating that the site selected contained a structure that was on the Historical Register. Mr. Smith stated that he was aware of this and that the county planned to begin the historical site process as soon as they took over the property. The Authority requested that he let them know the status of the acquisition of the site before the April meeting. If there were still problems with the site, then the Authority may consider a Planning/Reserve Grant instead of a full grant.

The Authority pointed out that Cabell County had the highest carryover of all the counties and was asked if they could look at contributing more local funds. Mr. Smith stated that if additional funds become available, they may be able to come up with more local funds. Other people in attendance representing Cabell County were: Dr. Greg Borowski, the Board Vice-President and Mr. Mike O'Dell.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Jonathan Deem reminded the Authority members that the next meeting would be the Needs Project Selection meeting scheduled for April 20, 2009. This meeting is to be held in the Governor's Press Conference Room at the capitol. There being no further business to come before the Authority at this time and without objection, the March 16 and 17, 2009 meeting of the Authority was adjourned.

Minutes approved April 20, 2009



Mr. Jonathan Deem, Governors Designee
School Building Authority of West Virginia