

The Honorable Columbus County Board of Commissioners met in their said office at 7:30 A.M., March 14, 1988, in accordance with a recessed meeting on March 11, 1988.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Junior Dew, Chairman

Samuel G. Koonce, Vice-Chairman

Lynwood Norris

Ed Worley

Giles E. (Buddy) Byrd

James E. Hill, Jr.  
County Attorney

Ida L. Smith  
Deputy Clerk

**ABSENT:**

Roy L. Lowe, County Administrator

**WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Tim Owens, Chairman

Katie Powell, Vice Chairman

David Flowers

Robert Leder

Charles Lennon

Mack Thompson

Richard Crutchfield

John Gayle Barkley

Lana S. White

Jerry Paschal, Superintendent

Donnie Viets, Attorney

**COLUMBUS COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Leo Mercer, Chairman

Beasley Strickland, Vice-Chairman

Richard Dameron

Joann Barnes

Raymond Shaw

Mitchel Tyler, Superintendent

Ed Williamson, Attorney

Chairman Dew called the meeting to order and Commissioner Worley gave the invocation.

After the meeting was called to order, Chairman Koonce read from Robert's Rules of Order that the same question cannot be brought up in a series of meetings set for the same purpose. Because of this technicality Commissioner Koonce made a motion to suspend Robert's Rules of Order and to discuss the critical needs issue. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris and seconded by Commissioner Byrd to establish South Columbus High School as #2 priority.

A substitute motion was made by Commissioner Koonce and seconded by Commissioner Worley to establish Whiteville Central Middle School as #2 priority.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION VOTE:**

**AYES:** Commissioners Koonce and Worley

**NOES:** Commissioner Norris, Dew and Byrd

ORIGINAL MOTION VOTE:

AYES: Commissioners Norris, Koonce, Dew and Byrd

NOES: Commissioner Worley

Several members of all Boards commented on the decision.

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to list Whiteville Central Middle School as #3 priority.

RESOLUTION - SUPPORT OF CRITICAL NEEDS APPLICATION

A motion was made by Commissioner Norris, seconded by Commissioner Byrd and passed unanimously to adopt the following Resolution in support of the Critical Needs Application:

R E S O L U T I O N

The Columbus County Board of Commissioners at its Special called recessed meeting on March 14, 1988, unanimously adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina have visited and personally inspected almost all schools within the said County of both systems within the last eighteen (18) months; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina have recognized the deteriorating physical conditions of both school systems due mainly to the age of the buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina recognize the economic and educational benefits of the consolidation of two (2) high schools on the Eastern side of Columbus County and three (3) high schools on the Southern side of Columbus County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina have this date attempted to review the proposed list of priorities for the North Carolina Critical Needs Application to be submitted by both the Whiteville City Board of Education and the Columbus County Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina do not have funds or potential revenue at the present time which will reasonably meet the needs of the public school students in Columbus County.

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County that they do hereby endorse the Critical Needs Application submitted by the Columbus County Board of Education and the Whiteville City Board of Education, and do hereby request that all projects submitted on the said application be funded and that the Columbus County Board of Commissioners request the General Assembly of North Carolina to make available additional funds to meet the additional needs of the secondary schools throughout North Carolina; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Columbus County, North Carolina, that they hereby request the Critical School Facility Needs Commission to review carefully the application submitted by all Boards on behalf of the students of Columbus County and to give special consideration to the funding of all projects listed thereunder.

Respectfully submitted this 14th day of March, 1988.

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Junior Dew, Chairman  
 /s/ Samuel Koonce, Vice Chairman  
 /s/ Lynwood Norris  
 /s/ Ed Worley  
 /s/ Giles E. (Buddy) Byrd

ATTEST:

/s/ Ida L. Smith  
 Deputy Clerk

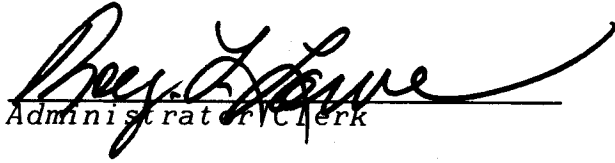
GOVERING BODY - AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE CRITICAL NEEDS APPLICATION

A motion was made by Commissioner Byrd, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to authorize Chairman Dew to execute the Critical School Facility Needs application.

MEETING ADJOURNED

A motion was made by Commissioner Worley, seconded by Commissioner Norris and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 A.M.

APPROVED:

  
 Administrative Clerk

  
 Chairman

**APPROVED**  
 Columbus County Board  
 of Commissioners

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