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Clinton City Schools Special Called Board of Education Meeting Clinton Elementary School Library Thursday, May 27, 2014 5:00 p.m.

The Clinton City Board of Education met on May 27, 2014, in the Clinton Elementary School Library. Board of Education members present were: Tim Bible, Brian Jenkins, Jim Webster, Joey Smith, and Curtis Isabell. Board of Education members not present: Merle Pryse. Others attending were: Vicki Violette, Kelly Johnson, Debbie Long, Suzanne Oliver, Scott Rhea, Gwen Payne, Danny Goins, Jenna Sharp, Lori Collins, Matt Murphy, Darlene Miller, Katlyn Elam, Chuck Cagle (conference call) and Kim Martin.

I. Call to Order by Board Chair

Chairman Bible called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

II. Item for Action - Liquor by the Drink Tax

Chairman Bible stated that one of the options to receive the back taxes generated from Liquor by the Drink is to file a law suit to claim the school system's portion of that tax. If the Board votes to litigate for the school system's ADA split of this back tax, a law suit will need to be filed by June 1, 2014 (locally).

Dr. Vicki Violette, Director of Schools, stated that she had met with representatives from Anderson County Schools, Anderson County Government, City of Clinton Government, and Clinton City Schools in an effort to negotiate an ADA split on all money. Oak Ridge Schools has decided not to litigate at this time. Dr. Violette shared that the City of Clinton and Anderson County Governments have offered to give the back taxes to which ever school they are supposed to give it to. These two government entities have indicated by letter that they will hold the funds in reserve until an agreement for distribution is approved.

Discussions were held with Chuck Cagle and Katlyn Elam, attorneys with Lewis, Thomason, King, Krieg & Waldrop P.C., on the Liquor by the Drink Tax.

A motion was made by Jim Webster that due to the constraints as the statute is written, that The School Board engage an attorney to file appropriate legal action prior to June 1, 2014, to protect the Clinton City Board of Education rights under the statute, with a second by Curtis Isabell (roll call vote). Jim Webster - yes; Tim Bible - yes; Brian Jenkins - yes; Joey Smith - no; and Curtis Isabell - yes. Motion carried 4-1.

Dr. Violette will contact Nic Arning, an attorney with Woolf-McClane, Bright, Allen & Capenter, PLLC, to begin proceedings to file the law suit by June 1, 2014.

Chairman Bible adjourned the meeting at 6.08 p.m.

Dr. Tim Bible, Chairman

Dr. Vicki Violette, Director of Schools