

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF AVERY**

The Avery County Board of Commissioners held a Special Meeting on Monday, April 9, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of touring the Avery County school facilities. The Commissioners met at the Avery County Board of Education, 775 Cranberry St, Newland, NC at 9:00 a.m. and toured that facility and then toured the following schools: Avery County High School, 401 Avery County High School Rd, Newland, NC; Avery County Middle School, 102 Old Montezuma Rd., Newland, NC; Newland Elementary School, 750 Linville Street, Newland, NC; Riverside Elementary School, 8020 S. US 19E Hwy, Newland, NC; Cranberry Middle/Freedom Trail Elementary School, 6230 N. US 19E Hwy, Newland, NC; Crossnore Elementary School, 1290 Walt Clark Rd, Newland, NC; Banner Elk Elementary School, 155 Orchard Lane, Banner Elk, NC.

Members Present: Martha Hicks, Chair; Blake Vance, Vice-Chair; Faith Lacey; Tim Phillips; Wood Hall Young, Jr.

Members Absent: None

Board of Education Members & Staff Present: John Greene; Steve Smith; Dr. Bryan Taylor

Call To Order

Chair Hicks called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Cranberry Middle/Freedom Trail Elementary Schools; Riverside Elementary School; Crossnore Elementary School; Banner Elk Elementary School; Newland Elementary School; Avery Middle and Avery High School were toured. Dr. Taylor pointed out issues at each school.

Dr. Taylor explained that these issues would be prioritized and brought to the Board of Education and then discussed with the Board of Commissioners at the budget workshop.

Dr. Taylor stated that the Board of Education would present an updated design schematic of the Avery County High School along with estimates and a projected timeline on April 23, 2018 at a joint meeting.

Martha Hicks thanked the Board of Education for the tours. John Greene thanked the Commissioners for the generosity to the Board of Education and the children of Avery County.

Adjourn

Motion by Wood Hall Young, Jr. and second by Tim Phillips to adjourn this meeting at 3:13 p.m. Motion unanimously approved (5-0).

Martha Hicks, Chair
Avery County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: _____
Cindy Turbyfill, Clerk