



# Southwest Virginia Governor's School

**Governing Board Meeting Agenda**  
**Room 162B, Godbey Hall, New River Community College**  
**5251 College Drive, Dublin, VA 24084**  
**April 8, 2024**

**TO:** Members of the SWVGS Governing Board

**FROM:** Rebecca Phillips, Director

**DATE:** April 8, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Background Information and Director's Recommendations  
Regarding Agenda Items

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Change of Agenda**

**III. Public Comments**

*The public comment session will be for persons who wish to address the Governing Board regarding items that are on the current board meeting agenda. Individuals wishing to speak are asked to notify the SWVGS Board Chair (Jenny Riffe, [jriffe@rcps.org](mailto:jriffe@rcps.org)) prior to the meeting or asked to sign up after arriving at the meeting location, ensuring they have done so before the meeting is called to order. Items presented by citizens may be referred to the Superintendent-in-Charge for research who may report back to the Governing Board at a subsequent meeting or through other communication. If you wish to comment about individual employees or their performance, please present your comments first to the Superintendent-in-Charge. Such matters will not be discussed during an open board meeting. Please limit all comments to three (3) minutes.*

**IV. Approval of Minutes for November 28, 2023, and the Record of Receipts and Disbursements for November 2023 - February 2024.**

**Background:**

Enclosed are the minutes for the meeting on November 28, 2023, and the Record of Receipts and Disbursements for November 2023 - February 2024.

**Director's Recommendation:**

I recommend approval of the minutes for the meeting on November 28, 2023, and the Record of Receipts and Disbursements for November 2023 - February 2024.

## **V. Information Agenda**

### **A. Remarks by Superintendent-in-Charge**

### **B. Progress Report**

#### **1. Important Dates at SWVGS**

- Research Project Workdays – November 27 – December 15
- SWVGS Closed for Winter Break – December 18-22, 25-29, and January 1
- SWVGS Teacher Workday – January 2
- Second Semester Classes Began – January 3
- SWVGS Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – January 15
- SWVGS Science Fair – February 1, with Peer Presentations on January 31
- Parent-Teacher Conferences – February 15
- Eighth Biannual Arctic Research Trip with RU – February 24 – March 2
- Blue Ridge Highlands Regional Science Fair – March 1-2
- VDOE Evaluation – March 10-12
- Math Kangaroo Contest – March 21
- SWVGS Closed for Spring Break – March 29 and April 1
- Family Fun Fest with NRCC – April 6
- Virginia State Science and Engineering Fair at ODU – April 12-13
- SMART Teams Protein Modeling Symposium at Penn State University – May 1
- Virginia Junior Academy of Science Virtual Student Research Symposium – May 3-4
- SWVGS Spring Semester Exams – May 3, 6, 7
- SWVGS Academic Awards – May 8 at 6:00 PM in Edwards Hall at NRCC
- SWVGS Teacher Workday – May 9
- SWVGS Governing Board Meeting – May 28 or in June?
- National Consortium of Specialized STEM Schools Student Research Conference – June 20-23

#### **2. Visitors to SWVGS**

- Prospective Students currently in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade visited February 20-22
- Seventh and Eighth Graders in the Carroll County GT program visited on March 26
- Elementary School students in the Wythe County GT program visiting on April 26

## **VI. Action Agenda Approval of**

- i. Proposed Academic Year Calendar for 2024-2025
- ii. Proposed Biannual Agreement Form for 2024-2026
- iii. Application for Business Credit Card with National Bank  
(to replace current card with Bank of America)

## **VII. Questions/Comments from Board Members**

## **VIII. Confirm Next Meeting Date and Adjourn**