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March 27, 2023- Heathsville, VA The Northumberland County Public Schools' School Board met in-person and virtually for a special called meeting and budget hearing on the 2023-2024 budget. The meeting was open to the public through Zoom audio conference calling and in person.

[2023-2024 Budget Hearing](#)

Amy Fetter spoke on the bus drivers pay increase and health insurance.

Stacey Lee spoke on behalf of the Middle School staff thanking the board for the extra days off for Winter Break and Spring Break. She highlighted Dr. Wargo and the Board Members for proposing the salary increase.

Shelby Brooks Commended Dr. Wargo and Mrs. Tara Booth for preparing a comprehensive budget. Mrs. Brooks pointed out three things she felt were important; funding educational support staff, highlighting security and continuing to fund the health insurance increase.

Sandy Davis commented that she came from two previous school districts that provided health insurance to the bus drivers and how important it is to provide health insurance to the drivers.

Closed Meeting Action Items

- The Board approved **Nicholas Alford** as the band teacher for the 2023-2024 school year.
- The Board approved **Alisabeth Kisk** as the Speech Language Pathologist.
- The Board appointed Mrs. **Tara Booth** as the Clerk of the Board.
- The Board approved the request to transfer funds across categories to transportation to offset the increase of fuel cost. The Director of Finance will compose a letter of request for a categorical transfer to the Board of Supervisors.