REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF ROANE, HELD MARCH 25, 2021, AT 6:00 PM, AT ROANE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL, SPENCER,

Present: Gregory Boggs, Daris Harper, Jeffrey Mace, James Minney, Eileen Richardson

Absent: (none)

Meeting called to order by Jeffrey Mace (6:00 pm)

This meeting may be joined remotely. The public can join by calling 1-304-553-7794 and entering the conference ID 191 546 474 or by joining on Microsoft Teams using this link.

Presentations

1. Positively Charged

We recognize our 2020-21 school-level teachers and service personnel of the year. They will compete at the county level and county winners will then compete at the state level. We thank them all for their outstanding service to our schools.

2. Public Participation
3. 2021-22 School Calendar (Meeting 2 of 2)
4. Student Achievement
    a. Staff Development to Drive Improved Student Outcomes

It is so important for our teachers to have the skills they need to be successful. We need to always be sure to recruit, retain, and develop high quality teachers. In April, we start elections for the Staff Development Council. This council will allow us to gain input from our staff concerning what types of training is needed. The council should be filled by May, which will allow us to plan for the next school year.

New Business for Consideration and Potential Action

1. Consideration and Possible Adoption of the 2021-22 School Calendar

Motion by James Minney and seconded by Gregory Boggs to adopt Draft C for the 2021-22 School Calendar. Motion carried. Daris Harper, Eileen Richardson opposed. (7:45 pm)

2. Update on COVID-19 Recovery
    a. ARP ESSERF
    b. Current recovery efforts
    c. SOLE (summer) Program

Motion by Gregory Boggs and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve. Motion carried. (8:54 pm)

3. Service Personnel Realignment for 2021-22

Motion by Gregory Boggs and seconded by Daris Harper to approve. Motion carried. (8:56 pm)

    a. Abolish Aide (classroom), Spencer Elementary School (1 position)

b. Place Dixie Hall, Aide, Spencer Elementary School, on administrative transfer list

4. Report of Cooperative Sponsorships for Athletic Programs
    a. Softball - Geary, Spencer, and Walton at Spencer Middle School
    b. Track - Spencer and Walton at Walton Elementary Middle School

Consent Agenda - (Action)
Motion by James Minney and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve the following consent agenda as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (9:09 pm)

1. Approval of minutes of Regular Board Meeting on March 11, 2021
2. Financial
    a. Transfers/supplements to the budget
    b. Payments of bills as submitted; pre-approval to release checks not to exceed $20,000 prior to the next board meeting
    c. Financial Reports
3. Levy Estimate FY 2022
    a. General Current Expenses - $ 3,430,710
        i. Class I - 19.40 cents per $100
        ii. Class II - 38.80 cents per $100
        iii. Class III & IV - 77.60 cents per $100
    b. Bond Levy - $ 789,175
        i. Class I - 4.62 cents per $100
        ii. Class II - 9.24 cents per $100
        iii. Class III & IV - 18.48 cents per $100
4. Policies
5. Contract(s) / Bid(s)
    a. Lowest bidders for mowing in 2021 as attached
6. Field Trips
7. Volunteers
8. Student Transfers

Personnel Consent Agenda - (Action)
Motion by Gregory Boggs and seconded by Daris Harper to approve the following personnel items as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (9:13 pm)
To establish calling order for the substitutes hired, drawings were held with the following orders determined:
Substitute Aide - Courtney Andrews, Kathy Short, Arianna Mercer, Tabitha Johnson, Ashley Freeland.
Substitute Cook - Alicia Clarkson, Tabitha Johnson.
Substitute Custodian - Tasha Conrad, Timothy May.

1. Resignation(s)
    a. Alvis, Emily - Teacher / 5th Grade (Spencer Middle School), effective June 30, 2021

2. New Employment(s)

a. Short, Kathy - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective March 26, 2021
b. Mercer, Arianna - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective March 26, 2021
c. Freeland, Ashley - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective March 26, 2021
d. Johnson, Tabitha - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective March 26, 2021
e. Johnson, Tabitha - Substitute cook (RCS - Substitutes), effective March 26, 2021
f. Johnson, Tabitha - Substitute secretary (RCS - Substitutes), effective March 26, 2021
g. Andrews, Courtney - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective March 26, 2021
h. Clarkson, Alicia - Substitute cook (RCS - Substitutes), effective March 26, 2021
i. Conrad, Tasha - Substitute custodian (RCS - Substitutes), effective March 26, 2021
j. May, Timothy - Substitute custodian (RCS - Substitutes), effective March 26, 2021

3. Extracurricular(s)
   a. Peery, Allison - Assistant Coach, Softball (Auxiliary) (Spencer Middle School), effective March 26, 2021
   b. Vaughan, Brittney - Academic Recovery Facilitator (Geary Elementary / Middle School), effective March 26, 2021
   c. Cottrill, Shannon - Credit Recovery Facilitator (Roane County High School), effective March 26, 2021

Reports of Committees

1. Roane-Jackson Technical Center Administrative Council (3/16/2021)

There was an executive session concerning some potential personnel issue. Also, since RJTC is not an LEA and does not receive much of the direct funding that we receive, they will instead be receiving a $100,000 grant from ESSERF 2. In the summer, we hope to showcase the opportunities RJTC offers to our students.

Superintendent's Remarks

Many various bills are coming up in legislature. The ESA/Charter school bill is finishing up. There is a bill that allows the small counties under 1400 to be funded for no less than 1200 students. There are also a number of bills that inject subjects into the curriculum, or making changes to graduation requirements. These will be important to watch.

I presented to the SBA for our SMS funding. On April 19th, the SBA will be meeting to decide funding. Out of the $234 million requests, many are new. We hope third time is a charm for us.

Adjournment / Recess

1. Recess until the statutory meeting on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School. The next regular meeting will be Thursday, April 8, 2021, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School

(9:32 pm)