REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF ROANE, HELD AUGUST 12, 2021, AT 6:00 PM, AT SPENCER MIDDLE SCHOOL, SPENCER,

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

Absent: (none)

Meeting called to order by Jeffrey Mace (6:05 pm)

This meeting could be joined remotely. The public could join by calling 1-304-553-7794 and entering the provided conference ID or by joining on Microsoft Teams using the provided link.

Presentations

1. Positively Charged

We want to recognize all our staff, especially custodians and the maintenance crews that have been working hard to get our buildings ready for school. School starts on Wednesday and buildings are in good shape. Small issues, here and there, but we are ready to go. This year starts off differently from others, but kudos to all our staff that have been working tirelessly to get ready for school.

Also, more good news to add to our RCHS 11th grade SAT School Day results, the state released scores showing that our scores beat all neighboring high schools nearby except for Herbert Hoover High School. Roane County High School scores beat Ripley, Ravenswood, Wirt, Sissonville, Calhoun, and Clay.

2. Public Participation

Jessalynn Smelko (parent), Sam Salvucci (coach/grandparent), Dr. Christiansen (Roane County Family Health Care) spoke in support of the mask mandate. Khrystal Taylor (parent) spoke in hopes of a different policy that might still work to keep us all safe. April Kidd (teacher) spoke in support for the mask mandate and also voiced a concern about the availability of close accessible parking at all of our schools.

3. Division Spotlight: Child Nutrition

Chris Melonas, Child Nutrition Director, presented on the updates on our Child Nutrition Program.

4. School Spotlight: Spencer Elementary School

Michelle Stellato, Principal at Spencer Elementary School, was welcomed by the Board.

New Business for Consideration and Potential Action

1. Update on preparations for 2021-22 school year, including safety protocols and procedures

Motion by Gregory Boggs and seconded by James Minney to amend the Safety Protocols and Procedures, under #2) Consistent and Correct Mask Use to read "All students, staff, and visitors shall wear a mask when indoors, especially when physical distancing cannot be maintained, regardless of vaccination status. This is done to ensure that unvaccinated individuals and those who cannot be vaccinated due to age or other medical issues are protected. This shall be in place for two weeks or until otherwise reconsidered, no later than August 26. All students and staff on buses must wear a mask under CDC order". Motion failed. Daris Harper, Jeffrey Mace, James

Minney, Eileen Richardson opposed. (7:33 pm)

Motion by James Minney and seconded by Daris Harper to accept the 2021-22 COVID-19 Prevention Strategies. Eileen Richardson abstained from the vote. Motion carried. Gregory Boggs opposed. (7:39 pm)

2. Approval of Roane County Virtual School vendor for 2021-22

Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by to approve the Roane County Virtual Schools vendor for 2021-2022 as Southern Educational Services Cooperative and to include grades K-12. Motion carried. (8:13 pm)

3. Discussion of middle school athletics and Master Plan for Athletic Facilities
4. Notice of Legal Action by WVDOH in which RCBOE is party
5. Board and Superintendent Goals for 2021-22

Mr. Jeff Mace tabled this item until a later date.

Consent Agenda - (Action)

Motion by Daris Harper and seconded by James Minney to approve the following consent agenda as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (8:51 pm)

1. Approval of minutes of Regular Board Meeting on July 22, 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
   d. Set Adult Meal Prices to $3.50 for breakfast, $4.50 for lunch
3. Policies
   a. Third Reading and Adoption
      i. Policy 524 - Transfers and Reductions-in-Force (revised)
4. Contract(s) / Bid(s) / Agreement(s)
   a. Glenville State University Articles of Agreement for College Student Pre-Service Teachers and Interns
   b. West Virginia Family Engagement Center Memorandum of Agreement for Cohort 3 (including Spencer Middle School and Roane County High School)

Withdrawn c.-----~~KVC~~ Memorandum of Understanding for Behavioral Health Support

   d. 2021-22 Pre-K Collaborative Contract with AFL-CIO Appalachian Council Head Start
   e. Simmerman Hearing of Charleston for Audiology Services
   f. Knotts Consulting for Diagnostic Testing Consultation
5. Field Trips
6. Volunteers
7. Student Transfers
   a. 4 Students from Calhoun County Schools to Roane County Schools
   b. 6 Students from Kanawha County Schools to Roane County Schools
   c. 4 Students from Jackson County Schools to Roane County Schools

d. 1 Student from Wirt County Schools to Roane County Schools

8. Clinical Experiences
    a. Andrew Camp, Glenville State College, placed at Spencer Middle and Roane County High Schools (student teacher, 8/23 - 12/2/2021)

Personnel Consent Agenda - (Action)
Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by Daris Harper to approve the following personnel items as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (8:54 pm)

1. Resignation(s)
    a. Simmons, Michele - Teacher / PE (Spencer Middle School), effective June 30, 2021, did not return contract
    b. Fisher, Melissa - Teacher / 6th Grade (Spencer Middle School), effective August 8, 2021, pending replacement
    c. Cain, Pamela - Speech Language Pathologist (RCS - Student Support (75%), Walton EMS (25%)), effective August 18, 2021, pending replacement

2. New Employment(s)

Withdrawn ~~a.~~ ~~Ellio~~tt, Christina - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective August 9, 2021

b. Hammack, Frederick - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective August 9, 2021

c. Oliver, Jessica - Teacher / Special Education (Spencer Middle School), effective August 9, 2021

Withdrawn ~~d.~~ _____ - Teacher / Special Education (Spencer Elementary School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~e.~~ _____ - Teacher / Special Education (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~f.~~ _____ - Teacher / Special Education (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~g.~~ _____ - Teacher / Wellness (Spencer Middle School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~h.~~ _____ - Teacher / Wellness (Spencer Middle School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~i.~~ _____ - Teacher / Career Literacy (Spencer Middle School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~j.~~ _____ - Teacher / 6th Grade (Spencer Middle School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~k.~~ _____ - Teacher / 6th Grade (Spencer Middle School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~l.~~ _____ - Teacher / 5th Grade (Spencer Elementary School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~m.~~ _____ - Teacher / Special Education (Spencer Elementary School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~n.~~ _____ - Teacher / Special Education (Spencer Elementary School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~o.~~ _____ - Teacher / Multi-Subjects (Spencer Elementary School), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~p.~~ _____ - Professional Accountant / Benefits Coordinator (RCS - Central Office), effective August 13, 2021

Withdrawn ~~q.~~ _____ - Teacher / Art (Geary Elementary / Middle School), effective August 13, 2021

3. Transfer(s)
   a. Hoffman, Loana - Teacher / Special Education (Walton Elementary / Middle School) to Assistant Principal (Spencer Elementary School), effective August 5, 2021

4. Reassign classroom teacher(s)
   a. Camp, Haley - Teacher / 3rd Grade (SES) to Teacher / 2nd Grade (SES)

5. Extracurricular(s)
   a. Mills, Jordan - Coach, Football (Spencer Middle School), effective August 13, 2021

The following item(s) were recommended by Carla Brown, Superintendent's designee.

1. Transfer(s)
   a. Duncan, Sarah - Teacher / Career Literacy (Spencer Middle School) to Teacher / Art (Spencer Middle School), effective August 9, 2021

   Motion by Gregory Boggs and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve the above personnel item as recommended by Carla Brown, Superintendent's designee. Motion carried. (8:55 pm)

Reports of Committees

Superintendent's Remarks

We will be watching the public health situation closely. Many safety measures are in place, as it was last year, and our partnership with Roane General Hospital is still in place. Further information will be pushed out shortly.

Adjournment

1. Adjourn until the next regular meeting, Thursday, August 26, 2021, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School

Motion by James Minney and seconded by Daris Harper to approve. Motion carried. (8:57 pm)