REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF ROANE, HELD FEBRUARY 10, 2022, 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 can be joined remotely. The public can join by calling 1-304-553-7794 and entering the conference ID 970 215 958 or by joining on Microsoft Teams using this link.

Presentations

1. Positively Charged

Progress is being made for the safe school entrances for WEMS and GEMS. Hoping to open those offices fully within the next few weeks.

2. Public Participation
3. Student Achievement - Midyear Update

Looking at Math and Reading Benchmarks, generally, our students performed better in Math than in Reading. Grades K-5 seem to be doing very well when comparing their percentile ranking with their national peers, while Grades 9-10 seems to be keeping up with their peers. However, grades 6-8 have shown some concerning numbers.

New Business for Consideration and Potential Action

1. Update on Mitigation Strategies for Communicable Diseases and State-Level COVID-19 Reporting for Schools

Motion by Eileen Richardson to revise the mitigation strategy guidelines adopted on October 21, 2021 by removing item #2. Motion failed due to lack of a second. (6:54 pm)

Motion by Eileen Richardson to revise the mitigation strategy guidelines adopted on October 21, 2021 by changing #2 from 5% to 10%. Motion failed due to lack of a second. (7:03 pm)

2. Legislative Update (Day 30 of 60)
3. Planning for 2022-23: Staffing and Compensation

Consent Agenda - (Action)

Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by James Minney to approve the following consent agenda as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (8:35 pm)

1. Approval of minutes of Regular Board Meeting on January 20, 2022
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. Policies

4. Contract(s) / Bid(s) / Agreement(s)
    a. Safe Schools Entrances at Geary and Walton Change Order #3 for $1,546.98
    b. Memorandum of Understanding with Educational Testing Service regarding HiSET
    c. Demolition and Disposal of Old Central Office Building (110 Chapman Avenue, Spencer, WV) - K & G Excavating of Walton, WV, with bid of $29,950
5. Field Trips
6. Volunteers
7. Student Transfers
    a. 2 Student transfers from Jackson County Schools
    b. 1 Student transfer from Calhoun County Schools

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. (8:39 pm)

1. Resignation(s)
    a. Williams, James - Assistant Coach, Football (Roane County High School), effective January 26, 2022
    b. Burns, Autumn - School Psychologist (RCS - Student Support Services), effective February 25, 2022, pending certified replacement
    c. Stellato, Michelle - Principal (Spencer Elementary School), effective February 28, 2022
    d. Manns, Bayli - Speech Assistant (RCS - Student Support Services), effective March 31, 2022

2. Retirement(s)
    a. Gray, John - Teacher / Option Pathway & Homebound (Roane County High School), effective June 30, 2022
    b. Halcomb, David - Teacher / Social Studies (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective June 30, 2022
    c. Starcher, Kristina - Teacher / Kindergarten (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective June 30, 2022

3. New Employment(s)

Withdrawn ~~a.~~ ~~Mac~~e, Diana - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective February 11, 2022

Withdrawn ~~b.~~ ~~Mac~~e, Diana - Substitute secretary (RCS - Substitutes), effective February 11, 2022

    c. Strickland, Orville - Bus Operator (Bus #13) (RCS - Operations), effective February 11, 2022, from the substitute list
    d. Stump-Cohen, Kourtney - Teacher / Special Education (Spencer Elementary School), effective February 11, 2022,
    e. Daniel, Katelyn - Teacher / Career Literacy (Spencer Middle School), effective February 11, 2022,
    f. Brumfield, Jeremy - Teacher / Social Studies (Roane County High School),

effective February 11, 2022, pending release from current employer

g. Wyrostok, Terry - LPN / Aide (Geary Elementary / Middle School), effective February 28, 2022, pending CIB clearance

h. Painter, Michelle - Teacher / English (Roane County High School), effective March 1, 2022

4. Transfer(s)
   a. Hedges, Marie - Counselor (Spencer Middle School) to Counselor (Roane County High School), effective July 1, 2022
   b. Matheney, Lora - Teacher / 4th Grade (Spencer Elementary School) to Teacher / 5th Grade (Spencer Elementary School), effective July 1, 2022

5. Extracurricular(s)
   a. Taylor, Christopher - Coach, Track (Spencer Middle School), effective February 11, 2022
   b. Harlan, Daniel - Coach, Softball (Spencer Middle School), effective February 11, 2022

Reports of Committees

1. Roane County WVU Extension Service Committee

Mr. Minney reported that WVU Extension Service is asking for an additional $2,700. They will be presenting on this at a meeting in the future. There was also a stakeholders meeting and they have compiled some ideas in the community that they feel they can work on.

Superintendent's Remarks

There were some rumors going around about an incident that allegedly occurred at RCHS. After an investigation by Mr. Heis and local law enforcement, it was discovered that there was no real threat, but the rumors have been difficult to manage even after an all call was sent out.

Other construction updates: At GEMS, the subcontractor was working on the drain to fix what they did not do the last time. Also, Thrasher moving forward on the design of the new SMS and their goal is to have construction documents in the hands of the SBA at the end of this month so they can do their review and get bids out in March. Plans are being put together, to minimize the disruption on campus when we return in August.

We should have some calendar revisions soon.

Adjournment

1. Adjourn until the next regular meeting on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School

Motion by Gregory Boggs and seconded by James Minney to approve. Motion carried. (9:03 pm)