

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF ROANE, HELD DECEMBER 1, 2022, AT 6:00 PM, AT SPENCER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SPENCER,**

**Present: Dennis Carpenter, 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

SES Teacher, Lori Cottrell, was a candidate for an award at the West Virginia Reading Association Conference. Congratulations to Lori and we thank you for your service.

2. Public Participation

3. Student Achievement

**BOE / LSIC Joint Meeting for Spencer Elementary School**

1. School Designation

2. Student Achievement

3. Curricular Needs

4. Facility Needs

**New Business for Consideration and Potential Action**

1. Approval of Contract for Commissioning Agent for the new Spencer Middle School - ZDS Design / Consulting Services, \$65,000

Motion by Daris Harper and seconded by Dennis Carpenter to approve. Motion carried. (8:12 pm)

2. Approval of Locally-defined Content Standards and Objectives

Motion by James Minney and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve. Motion carried. (8:14 pm)

a. Algebra III

b. Public Speaking

3. Update on construction of the new Spencer Middle School

**Consent Agenda - (Action)**

Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by Dennis Carpenter to approve the following consent agenda as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (8:27 pm)

1. Approval of minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on November 17, 2022 and the Special Board Meeting on November 28, 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
  - a. 2nd Reading
    - i. Policy 450 - Student Co- and Extra-curricular Activities
    - ii. Policy 524 - Transfers and Reductions-in-Force
- 4. Contract(s) / Bid(s) / Agreement(s)
- 5. Field Trips
- 6. Volunteers
  - a. Walton Elementary Middle School
    - i. Shelly Osborne, Jessica Simons, Kris Moore, Miranda Reed, Sarah Wright, Nancy Scott, Rachel Hays and Sandy Sloan
  - b. Spencer Middle School
    - i. Kimberly Moore, Ashley Jones, Bobby Jones, Jessalynn Smelko, Heather Webb, Ashley Martin, Candi Howard, Greg Howard, Meagan Barker-Freeland, Shandi White, Rhylee Burdette, Gary King, Brandy Brabham, Julie Garrett, Erin Nichols, Cassandra Bishoff, Tim Wilson, Sandy Wilson, Mary Ash, Matthew Ash, Christina Starcher and Shyi Rogers
- 7. Student Transfers

**Personnel Consent Agenda - (Action)**

Motion by Dennis Carpenter and seconded by James Minney to approve the following personnel items as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (8:29 pm)

- 1. New Employment(s)
  - a. Taylor, Ronald - Substitute bus operator (RCS - Substitutes), effective December 2, 2022, pending certification
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ - Custodian III (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective December 2, 2022
  - c. Gibson, David - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective December 2, 2022, pending CIB clearance
  - d. Starcher, Kara - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective December 2, 2022, pending CIB clearance
  - e. Starcher, Kristina - Teacher / Kindergarten (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective December 2, 2022
  - f. Bryan, Erica - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective January 3, 2023, pending issuance of permit
- 2. Transfer(s)
  - a. Huffman, Deborah - Accountant II / Secretary II (Roane County High School) to Accountant II / Secretary II (Spencer Middle School), effective December 5, 2022
- 3. Extracurricular(s)

- a. McGinnis, Steven - Assistant Coach, Girls Basketball (Auxiliary) (Roane County High School), effective December 2, 2022
- b. Lawson, Samuel - Assistant Coach, Wrestling (Spencer Middle School), effective December 2, 2022
- c. Matheney, Lora - Math Field Day Sponsor (Spencer Middle School), effective December 2, 2022

## **Reports of Committees**

### **Superintendent's Remarks**

There is a superintendent's meeting tomorrow morning in Charleston with Superintendent Roach. Following that will be a smaller group of 10-12 of us discussing student achievement issues, reading programs, and math programs.

Looking into personnel, there are 1500 teaching positions filled with uncertified teachers across the state, with growing numbers each year while our student enrollment declines. Looking further, we find that 1100 teaching positions are supported by ESSERF monies in West Virginia, which run out in 2024. Though we've cut 41 principals as a state in the last ten years, we have added 53 assistant principals. Roane County has downsized our teaching staff as well as administrative staff as our enrollment has declined over the years, while some larger counties may not have been as prudent. When 2024 comes around, it may be that larger counties downsize and the displaced teachers can fill vacant positions here and elsewhere.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Daris Harper and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve. Motion carried. (8:41 pm)

1. Adjourn until the next regular board meeting on Thursday, December 15, 2022, at 6:00 pm at Spencer Middle School.