REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF ROANE, HELD AUGUST 10, 2023, AT 6:00 PM, AT ROANE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL, SPENCER,

Present: Dennis Carpenter, Jeffrey Mace, James Minney, Eileen Richardson

Absent: Daris Harper

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

The state Department of Education just published the results of the 2022-23 WV General Summative Assessment for all counties. Roane County placed 2nd in the state for mastery growth in ELA and 7th for mastery growth in Math in the state. Our overall mastery growth in ELA and Math was 11.15%, which makes us first place and most improved in the state overall.

2. Public Participation
3. Student Achievement

New Business for Consideration and Potential Action

1. Update on PRO & SRO Programs including Renewal of Annual Agreements

Motion by Dennis Carpenter and seconded by James Minney to approve. Motion carried. (6:42 pm)

2. Reassignment of Surplus Personnel Pursuant to WV Code 18A-2-7 (e)
    a. Reassign Tamara Cook, Teacher / Pre-K, Spencer Elementary School, to Teacher / Special Education, Spencer Elementary School
    b. Abolish Teacher / Special Education, Spencer Elementary School [1 position; currently vacant]
3. Rescind offers of employment

Motion by Dennis Carpenter and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve. Motion carried. (6:46 pm)

    a. Rescind offer of employment to James Pfaff, Teacher / Art at Spencer Middle School (did not accept employment; from July 13, 2023)
4. Reconfiguration of Extracurricular Assignment
    a. Theater Sponsor, Roane County High School

Motion by Dennis Carpenter and seconded by Jeffrey Mace to approve. Motion carried. (6:52 pm)

5. Review of Student Expulsions

Motion by Dennis Carpenter and seconded by James Minney to go into closed session to review student expulsions, as per WV Code 6-9A-4(b)(3). Motion carried. (6:52 pm)

Motion by Dennis Carpenter and seconded by Eileen Richardson to return to open session.

Motion carried. No action was taken in closed session. (7:01 pm)

6. 2022-23 Personnel Attendance Report
7. Updates on Continuing Business
    a. Construction of the new Spencer Middle School
    b. Recreational Improvements at Geary Elementary / Middle School and Spencer Elementary School
    c. Property Matters involving the Goff Run complex, Madison Avenue complex, and Capitol Street complex

Motion by James Minney and seconded by Dennis Carpenter to go into closed session to discuss property matters, as per WV Code section 6-9A-4(b)(9). Motion carried. (7:30 pm)

Motion by Dennis Carpenter and seconded by Eileen Richardson to return to open session. Motion carried. No action was taken in closed session. (7:56 pm)

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. (8:03 pm)

1. Approval of minutes of Regular Board Meeting on July 27, 2023
2. Finance
    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. 2023-24 Pre-K Collaborative Contract with AFL-CIO Appalachian Council Head Start
    b. Memorandum of Understanding with WVU at Parkersburg for Early College Program
    c. Service Order with The Thrasher Group for Design and Construction Management Services for HVAC Replacements at Roane County High School
5. Field Trips
6. Volunteers
7. Student Transfers
    a. 1 Student from Calhoun County Schools to Roane County Schools
    b. 3 Student from Jackson County Schools to Roane County Schools
    c. 3 Student from Kanawha County Schools to Roane County Schools
8. Clinical Experiences
    a. Samantha Hall, Glenville State University, placed at Spencer Elementary School (student intern; October 10 - November 30, 2023)
    b. Quinton Ward, Concord University, placed at Roane County High School (August 18 - May 2023)

Personnel Consent Agenda - (Action)
Motion by James Minney and seconded by Dennis Carpenter to approve the following personnel items as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (8:06 pm)

1. Reconfigure position(s)
    a. Teacher / PE (RCHS) to Teacher / Wellness (RCHS), effective August 10, 2023
2. Resignation(s)
    a. Stump-Cohen, Kourtney - Teacher / Special Education (Spencer Elementary School), effective August 10, 2023
    b. Jett, Cynthia - Teacher / Career Literacy (Spencer Middle School), effective August 10, 2023
3. New Employment(s)
    a. Lawson, Samantha - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective August 11, 2023
    b. Mitchell, William - Substitute bus operator (RCS - Substitutes), effective August 11, 2023
    c. _____ - LPN / Aide (Geary Elementary / Middle School), effective August 11, 2023
    d. Hunt, Alex - Assistant Principal (Roane County High School), effective August 11, 2023
    e. Stump-Cohen, Kourtney - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective August 11, 2023
    f. Jett, Cynthia - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective August 11, 2023
    g. Penfold, JuliAnna - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective August 11, 2023
    h. Allgeyer, Lisa - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective August 11, 2023
    i. Higginbotham, Arin - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective August 11, 2023
4. Transfer(s)
    a. Stockner, Shannon - Aide / Early Childhood Classroom Assistant Teacher (Spencer Elementary School) to Supervisory Aide / Paraprofessional (Roane County High School), effective August 11, 2023
    b. Coon, Alicia - Teacher / 5th Grade (Spencer Elementary School) to Behavioral Interventionist (Spencer Middle School), effective August 11, 2023
5. Extracurricular(s)
    a. Freeland, Meagan - Lead Special Educator (Spencer Elementary School), effective August 11, 2023
    b. Blackwell, Scotty - Assistant Coach, Football (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective August 11, 2023
    c. Mills, Ashley - Lead Special Educator (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective August 11, 2023

d. Peery, Matthew - Lead Special Educator (Roane County High School), effective August 11, 2023
e. Tolley, Sarah - Lead Speech-Language Pathologist (RCS - Student Support Services), effective August 11, 2023
f. Malcolm, Cecil - Assistant Coach, Volleyball (Geary Elementary / Middle School), effective August 11, 2023
g. Keen, Michelle - Lead Special Educator (Geary Elementary / Middle School), effective August 11, 2023
h. Spencer, Jennifer - Lead Special Educator (Spencer Middle School), effective August 11, 2023
i. Perrine, Dakotah - Assistant Coach, Football (Auxiliary) (Spencer Middle School), effective August 11, 2023

Reports of Committees

Superintendent's Remarks

I recently met with superintendents of Clay, Calhoun, and Wirt Counties to discuss small county challenges.

Equipment has arrived as part of our outdoor classroom project at Roane County High School. Our maintenance crew built a new planter box in front of the school and the Division of Highways donated the stone.

The first bits of new furniture for SMS should be arriving next week at the current school.

Open house schedules have GEMS, WEMS, and SES on 8/21, SMS on 8/18, and RCHS on 8/22. Times will be posted.

Adjournment

1. Adjourn until the special meeting on Thursday, August 17, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School. The next regular board meeting will be on Thursday, August 24, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School

Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by James Minney to adjourn until the special meeting on Thursday, August 17, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Roane County Schools Central Office. The next regular board meeting will be on Thursday, August 24, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School. Motion carried. (8:14 pm)