REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF ROANE, HELD SEPTEMBER 14, 2023, AT 6:00 PM, AT ROANE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL, SPENCER,

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

Absent: (none)

Meeting called to order by Jeffrey Mace (6:02 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 US World News Report ranked RCHS as #19 in the state, which outranks all high schools within our former RESA V (Jackson, Wood, Clay, Ritchie, Calhoun, Wirt, Jackson, and Tyler)

2. Public Participation

Grandparent, Linda Drennen, spoke in support for the return of the senior passes at games which would allow grandparents free entry to sporting events in Roane County.

Teacher, Shannon Cottrill, expressed her concerns when a payroll error was made for certain summer employees.

3. Student Achievement

New Business for Consideration and Potential Action

1. Approval of 2023-24 Board of Education Goals

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

2. Approval of 2023-24 Superintendent Goals

Motion by James Minney and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve. Motion carried. (6:45 pm)

3. 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 Dennis Carpenter and seconded by Daris Harper to go into closed session to discuss property matters, as per WV Code section 6-9-4(b)(9). Motion carried. (7:42 pm)

Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by James Minney to return to open session. Motion carried. No action was taken in closed session. (7:54 pm)

Consent Agenda - (Action)

Motion by Daris Harper and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve the following consent

agenda as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (8:18 pm)

1. Approval of minutes of Regular Board Meeting on August 24, 3023 and Special Board Meeting on August 31, 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. Marshall University Affiliation Agreement for Experiential Education of Counseling Students
    b. Memorandum of Understanding with Marshall University Research Corporation for Mental Health Service Professional Grant Program
    c. Contract with Knotts Consulting for High School Equivalency Assessment
    d. Interlocal Contract for Cooperative Purchasing through HGACBuy
    e. New Spencer Middle School Change Order #2 for $16,910.22
    f. Grant Agreement with WV HEPC for WV GEAR UP FY24
5. Field Trips
    a. RCHS FFA to Fall Leadership Conference at Cedar Lakes in Ripley, WV, on September 21 to 22, 2023
    b. RCHS FFA to Fall CDEs in Morgantown, WV, on October 4 to 6, 2023
    c. RCHS FFA to National Convention and Competition in Indianapolis, IN, on October 31 to November 4, 2023
    d. RCHS FFA to Winter CDEs in Morgantown, WV on December 7 to 9, 2023
    e. RCHS FFA to National Land Judging Contest in Yukon, Oklahoma, on April 24 to May 4, 2024
6. Volunteers
    a. Walton Elementary Middle School
        i. Nona Perkins, Rachel Hays, Nancy Looney, Brenda Seabolt, Ronnie Seabolt, Sandy Sloan, Leann McCumbers, Natalie Roberts, Brandy Blackwell, Miranda Reed, Billie Huffman, Savannah Marks, Faith Ash, Sherry Hersman, Kathy Kidd, Vickie Reed, Becky Laxton, Peggy Paxton, William Woods, Connie Lupardus, Selena Parsons, Sarah Wright, Sierra Thaxton, Loucille Ashby, Andrea Hays, Shelly Osborne, Amy Mace, Hilliary Hickman, Amanda Nichols, Courtney Berry, Sara Anderson, Pam Kyle, Tiffany Chandler, Susan Smith, Sandra Bell, Cassie Patton, Brandy Chandler, Carrie Hibner, Taylor Crofut, Kelsie Shirey, Lakisha Nottingham, Yvonnie (Bonnie) Kirk and Shayla Armstead
    b. Geary Elementary Middle School
        i. Amber King, Margie Crawford, Daniel Jurkovich, Christian Hammonds,

Sara Looney, Stacy Matheny, Toby Burdette, Stephanie Burdette and Judy Wanner

c. Spencer Elementary School
    i. Sandra Ashby, Courtney Bise, Krisheana Carey, Sara Chapman, Megan Clay, Jackie Coe, Kayla Conley, Dakota Coon, Jessica Cooper, Angela Craig, Courtney Dawson, Kristen Drake, Sarah Fluharty, Sue Fluharty, Joanna Gandee, Julie Garrett, Amber Gibson, Heather Greathouse, Stephanie Groves, Kelsey Hall, Carly Harper, Teresa Harper, Brittany Harrison, Derrick Hoffman, Linda Holliday, Cassie Jams, Sara Jarvis, Taylor Juftes, Maggie McDonald, Sena McDonald, Angela McGlothlin, Janet Mertz, Robert A Mertz, Heather Merheney, Miranda Moore, Katie O'Brien, Milly O'Brien, Randall Austin O'Brien, Randall L. O'Brien, Katherine E. Popp, Amanda Perrine, Kayla Price, Melissa C. Richardson, Delores Saunders, Nathan Scott Stepp, Felicia M. Spencer, Serenity Starcher, Abby Sutphin, Kayla Taylor, Melanie Taylor, Charle Turner and Cathy Whytsell

7. Student Transfers
    a. 1 Student from Calhoun County Schools to Roane County Schools
8. Clinical Experiences
    a. Annalise Aylor, West Virginia University at Parkersburg, placed in Roane County Schools (beginning field placement; Fall Semester 2023)

Personnel Consent Agenda - (Action)
Motion by James Minney and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve the following personnel items as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent, except for item 5f, which will be voted upon separately. Motion carried. (8:28 pm)
A Substitute Service Personnel calling order drawing was performed for Substitute Cooks. The results were: 1) Christina Letourneau and 2) Laura Redman

1. Reconfigure position(s)
    a. Aide III (RCHS) to Aide V / Special Education Assistant Teacher (RCHS), effective September 15, 2023

2. Resignation(s)
    a. Boggs, Kevin - Custodian III (Roane County High School), effective August 22, 2023
    b. Harper, Savannah - Academic Recovery Facilitator (Spencer Middle School), effective August 28, 2023
    c. Hordyszynski, Kyle - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective September 12, 2023

3. New Employment(s)
    a. Cook, Tamara - Teacher / English (Roane County High School), effective September 15, 2023
    b. Haynes, Lisa - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective September 15, 2023

c. Bradley, Kolleen - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective September 15, 2023
d. Holcomb, Kacie - Aide V / Special Education Assistant Teacher (Geary Elementary / Middle School), effective September 15, 2023
e. Redman, Laura - Substitute cook (RCS - Substitutes), effective September 15, 2023
f. Ball, Gordon - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective September 15, 2023
g. Letourneau, Christina - Substitute cook (RCS - Substitutes), effective September 15, 2023

4. Transfer(s)
   a. McCune, Austin - Aide / ECCAT (Walton Elementary / Middle School) to Aide V / Special Education Assistant Teacher (Roane County High School), effective September 15, 2023
   b. Eads, Tamara - Aide III (Roane County High School) to Supervisory Aide / Paraprofessional (RCS - Student Support Services), effective September 15, 2023
   c. Nelson, Rebekah - Teacher / Music (Walton Elementary / Middle School) to Teacher / Music (Spencer Middle School), effective October 16, 2023

5. Leave of Absence(s)
   a. Jarvis, Amber - Teacher / Title I (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective September 11, 2023 to December 31, 2023, pursuant to WV Code 18A-2-2A (b); revised start date; from August 24, 2023

6. Extracurricular(s)
   a. Dolan, Corena - Yearbook Advisor (Spencer Elementary School), effective September 15, 2023
   b. Miller, Allison - Technology Support Coordinator (Spencer Elementary School), effective September 15, 2023
   c. Burdette, Angela - Senior Sponsor (Roane County High School), effective September 15, 2023
   d. Baker, Muriah - Social Media Coordinator (Roane County High School), effective September 15, 2023
   e. May, Donna - Student Council Sponsor (Roane County High School), effective September 15, 2023
   f. Westlake, Sarah - Teacher Support Coordinator (Roane County High School), effective September 15, 2023

Under the Personnel Consent Agenda motion, this item was voted on separately. Eileen Richardson was recused from the discussion and the vote. Motion carried. (8:29 pm)

   g. Craft, Lonnie - Assistant Coach, Football (Auxiliary) (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective September 15, 2023
   h. Karickhoff, Misty - Assistant Coach, Volleyball (Auxiliary) (Walton Elementary /

Middle School), effective September 15, 2023

i. Starcher, Kristina - Assistant Coach, Cheer (Auxiliary) (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective September 15, 2023

The following item(s) were recommended by Michelle Stellato, Superintendent's designee.

1. Leave of Absence(s)
   a. Duncan, Sarah - Teacher / Art (Roane County High School), effective July 1, 2023 to March 8, 2024, pursuant to WV Code 18A-2-2A (b); resumption of leave from prior contract year

   Motion by Daris Harper and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve the above personnel item as recommended by Michelle Stellato, Superintendent's designee. Richard Duncan was recused from the discussion and vote. Motion carried. (8:32 pm)

Reports of Committees

Superintendent's Remarks

On Tuesday, Ms. Lori Cottrell and I were in Charleston to participate in the state Teacher of the Year ceremony. She was recognized as one of the 55 county teachers of the year, receiving a grant and other gifts. The state service person of the year was from Cabell County and the state teacher of the year was from Wayne County.

The State Board of Education met yesterday. Much of the discussion was about a new discipline law.

We are officially on the state's list on the state's list of Grow Your Own. We offered it in years past under a different name, but we technically didn't offer it last year.

From WVDE, we received a notice of our excess levying capacity. Ours has increased significantly over the last few years, totaling $4.6 million each year for 5 years.

As we are getting closer to October 1st, which is our date for enrollment, the picture does not look good. Talking to some colleagues, enrollment appears to have dropped once again statewide. We also know that after this year, ESSER money goes away and we're having discussions about how to deal with that going forward.

Adjournment

1. Adjourn until the next regular meeting on Thursday, September 28, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School.

Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by Dennis Carpenter to approve. Motion carried. (8:39 pm)