REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF ROANE, HELD OCTOBER 10, 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 (6:01 pm)

This meeting can be joined remotely. The public can join by calling 1-304-553-7794 and entering the conference ID 180 974 080 or by joining on Microsoft Teams using this link.

Presentations

1. Positively Charged

The 1st 9 Weeks ends on Thursday, so it's time to look back on the first half of the first half.

In addition to the academic achievements, RCHS football is this week rated #1 in the playoff rankings for only the second time in school history, the first time being last week.

2. Public Participation
3. Student Achievement

New Business for Consideration and Potential Action

1. Update on 2023-24 Enrollment
2. Discussion of 2024-25 School Calendar
3. Review of Athletic Programs Finances
4. Consideration of recommendation to ratify and continue administrative leave for Employee A, effective August 26, 2023, per WV Code 18A-2-8

Motion by Dennis Carpenter and seconded by Daris Harper to go into closed session for Personnel Exception, as per WV Code 6-9A-4(2)(A). Motion carried. (7:38 pm)

Motion by Dennis Carpenter and seconded by Eileen Richardson to return to open session. Motion carried. No action was taken in closed session. (7:47 pm)

Motion by James Minney and seconded by Daris Harper to to ratify and continue administrative leave for Employee A, effective August 26, 2023, per WV Code 18A-2-8. Motion carried. (7:47 pm)

5. 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

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. (7:55 pm)

1. Approval of minutes of Regular Board Meeting on September 28, 2023 and Special Meeting on October 5, 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. Transportation contract for 1 student
    b. Contract with Education System Solutions, Inc., for school improvement work at Spencer Elementary School
5. Field Trips
6. Volunteers
7. Student Transfers
8. Clinical Experiences
    a. Allison Holt, Western Governors University, placed at Geary Elementary / Middle School (student teacher from 10/9/2023 to 1/18/2024)

Personnel Consent Agenda - (Action)
Motion by Daris Harper and seconded by Dennis Carpenter to approve the following personnel items as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (7:59 pm)

1. Resignation(s)
    a. Hedges, Marie - Game Manager(s) (Roane County High School), effective September 28, 2023
    b. Matheney, Lora - Assistant Coach, Girls Basketball (Roane County High School), effective October 5, 2023
2. New Employment(s)
    a. Burge, Jerry - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective October 11, 2023
    b. Belcher, Malissa - Teacher / 6th Grade (Spencer Middle School), effective October 11, 2023, pending release from current employer

Withdrawn ~~c.~~ ~~----------~~ - Custodian III (Spencer Elementary School), effective October 11, 2023

Withdrawn ~~d.~~ ~~----------~~ - Custodian III (Roane County High School), effective October 11, 2023

    e. Raines, Pepper - Aide V / Special Education Assistant Teacher (Geary Elementary / Middle School), effective October 11, 2023, from the substitute list
    f. Jett, Cynthia - Teacher / Career Literacy (Spencer Middle School), effective

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g. Lawson, Samantha - Teacher / Wellness (Roane County High School), effective October 11, 2023, pending issuance of permit

3. Transfer(s)
   a. Baker, Muriah - Teacher / Special Education (Roane County High School) to Teacher / Special Education (Spencer Middle School), effective July 1, 2024

4. Extracurricular(s)
   a. O'Brien, Baylee - Academic Recovery Facilitator (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective October 11, 2023

Reports of Committees

Superintendent's Remarks

Along with 41 other counties, we submitted our certified personnel data. So far, there are still 1100 ESSER funded personnel, but we all know that ESSER funds expire for 2024. Some of these positions may be absorbed by counties through other funding sources, but 1100 is a lot to absorb. We hope that those that are not absorbed, will trickle down to the smaller counties that need them.

Adjournment

1. Adjourn until the next regular meeting on Thursday, October 26, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School.

Motion by Daris Harper and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve. Motion carried. (8:07 pm)