REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF ROANE, HELD OCTOBER 26, 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 (6:00 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

WVDE released the accreditation and accountability metrics for each county in the state. We made progress in ELA Progress and Achievement, Math Progress, Discipline, and On-Track to Graduation. Our color rating went down in the 4-year Graduation category, but we still met standards, exceeding the state benchmark on 90%. We remained in the red in Math Achievement and Attendance and moved from being on watch in 5 categories to being on watch for Math Achievement and on Support in Attendance. The County Efficiency Measures show how well the county offices are functioning and meeting state codes and state policies. We are one of only twelve counties to have met standards in every category all three years they have been published. Overall, we continue to improve academically, and continue to lead in efficiency.

2. Public Participation
3. Student Achievement
4. Attendance Matters - Sept / Oct 2023

New Business for Consideration and Potential Action

1. Request for Authorization to Publish an RFP for LAN Installation for the new Spencer Middle School

Motion by Dennis Carpenter and seconded by Daris Harper to approve. Motion carried. (6:55 pm)

2. Request for Authorization to Publish an RFP for WAN Services for Roane County Schools to Begin July 1, 2024

Motion by Daris Harper and seconded by James Minney to approve. Motion carried. (7:02 pm)

3. Accept Bids from J.H. Tomblin Fence Company for Geary ($28,000) and Spencer Elementary ($25,500) Fencing Projects (Roane County Commission ARP Funds)

Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by Daris Harper to approve. Motion carried. (7:04 pm)

4. 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

5. Review of Potential Excess Operating Levy Program

Consent Agenda - (Action)
Motion by James Minney and seconded by Eileen Richardson to approve the following items as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Dennis Carpenter abstained from the vote. Motion carried. (8:31 pm)

1. Approval of minutes of Regular Board Meeting on October 10, 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. New Spencer Middle School Change Order #3 for $111,019.86
   b. Transportation contract for 1 student
5. Field Trips
6. Volunteers
   a. Geary Elementary Middle School
      i. Alice Engle and Tina Armstrong
   b. Roane County High School
      i. Dianna Carpenter
   c. Spencer Elementary School
      i. Melissa Roberts
7. Student Transfers

Personnel Consent Agenda - (Action)
Motion by Daris Harper and seconded by James Minney to approve the following personnel items as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (8:33 pm)
A Substitute Service Personnel calling order drawing was performed for Substitute Aides. The results were: 1) Kelly Evans, 2) Carrie Hoskins, 3) Jeanne Steele, and 4) Brandi Blackwell.
A Service Personnel Seniority drawing was performed for Custodians. The results were: 1) James Harper and 2) Steven Patterson.

1. Resignation(s)
   a. Hordyszynski, Michele - School Social Worker (RCS - Student Support Services), effective December 1, 2023
2. New Employment(s)
   a. May, Jackson - Substitute custodian (RCS - Substitutes), effective October 27, 2023
   b. Evans, Kelly - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective October 27, 2023
   c. Hoskins, Carrie - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective October 27, 2023

d. Blackwell, Brandy - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective October 27, 2023
e. Steele, Jeanne - Substitute aide (RCS - Substitutes), effective October 27, 2023
f. Patterson, Steven - Custodian III (Roane County High School), effective October 27, 2023
g. Harper, James - Custodian III (Spencer Elementary School), effective October 27, 2023
h. Clay, Berek - Substitute teacher (RCS - Substitutes), effective October 27, 2023

3. Extracurricular(s)
   a. Strickland, Jackie - Assistant Coach, Boys Basketball (Auxiliary) (Geary Elementary / Middle School), effective October 27, 2023
   b. Gainer, Katherine - Social Media Coordinator (Spencer Middle School), effective October 27, 2023
   c. Perrine, Dakotah - Coach, Girls Basketball (Spencer Middle School), effective October 27, 2023
   d. Ash, Matthew - Assistant Coach, Girls Basketball (Spencer Middle School), effective October 27, 2023
   e. Peery, Matthew - Coach, Boys Basketball (Roane County High School), effective October 27, 2023
   f. Starcher, Roger - Coach, Boys Basketball (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective October 27, 2023

Reports of Committees

Superintendent's Remarks

At RJTC, we will have instructors to teach the nursing courses and restart in January. I'll report more on that at the next meeting.

Thrasher has sent an invoice for designing part of our HVAC project. We currently have an advertisement out. The pre-bid conference was a few weeks ago with eight bidders. We're optimistic on our project and it will start on the north end of the building and work its way through the hallways and get as much as we can done in order to update the 30 year-old HVAC currently there. We'll see more on this at our next meeting.

Tomorrow morning, Senator Capito will be joining us for our Girls in Science event. Later that afternoon, we'll be in downtown Spencer for the Roane County EDA event to launch the new broadband project. Construction should start in January.

Tomorrow night will be the biggest game we've ever hosted. We are second to North Marion, which is the only team to beat us in the last two years. The community has been showing support by putting up signs. So come out and enjoy a good game.

Adjournment

1. Adjourn until the next regular meeting on Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School.

Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by Dennis Carpenter to adjourn until the special

meeting on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School. The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School. Motion carried. (8:39 pm)