REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF ROANE, HELD OCTOBER 24, 2024, AT 6:00 PM, AT SPENCER MIDDLE 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 884 486 016 or by joining on Microsoft Teams using this link.

Presentations

1. Positively Charged

Thanks to the VH1 Save The Music Foundation and the Wing 2 Wing Foundation, SMS and Walton will each be receiving 40 instruments for their band programs. Secretary Randall Reid-Smith was here to announce the grant. We should be getting those instruments in August to promote the importance of the arts programs. By 2027, all WV middle schools should receive one of these gifts.

2. Public Participation

Brandi Workman, RCHS Business Education Teacher, introduced herself to the board and assured the public of the continued success of FBLA, despite the rumors.

James Montgomery, RCHS grandparent, praised the success of his grandchild at Mountaineer ChalleNGe Academy.

3. Student Achievement

New Business for Consideration and Potential Action

1. Consideration of Draft School Calendar for 2025-26
2. Review of Fayette County Climate and Culture Effort
3. Updates on Continuing Business
    a. Property Matters Involving the Capitol Street Complex, Goff Run Complex, and old Spencer High School
    b. Network and Communications Updates
    c. Excess Levy Ballot for November 5, 2024
    d. Closeout Process for the new Spencer Middle School

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. (7:19 pm)

1. Approval of minutes of the regular board meeting on October 8, 2024.
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. Contract with Dr. Douglas Sturgeon for Deaf / Hard of Hearing Educational Services
5. Field Trips
    a. Walton Middle School Students to Green Bank, WV, for CTE Tourism Grant Experience (10/25/2024)
    b. RCHS FBLA to Fall Leadership Conference at Canaan Valley Resort (11/21 - 11/22/2024)
    c. RCHS Softball Spring 2025 Schedule
6. Volunteers
    a. Geary Elementary Middle School
        i. Margie Crawford
    b. Spencer Elementary School
        i. Haley Boswell, Debra Mace, Amber Gibson, Meghan Caldwall, Sherrie Anderson, Robert A. Mertz and Janet Mertz
    c. Spencer Middle School
        i. Jessica Cooper, Miranda Moore, Megan Anderson and Ashley Jones
7. Student Transfers
    a. 2 students from Calhoun County to Roane County

Personnel Consent Agenda - (Action)
Motion by James Minney and seconded by Daris Harper to approve the following personnel items as recommended by Richard Duncan, Superintendent. Motion carried. (7:20 pm)

1. Resignation(s)
    a. Starcher, William - Assistant Coach, Boys Basketball (Spencer Middle School), effective October 17, 2024
    b. Starcher, William - Coach, Baseball (Spencer Middle School), effective October 17, 2024
    c. Huffman, Orland - Coach, Baseball (Roane County High School), effective October 23, 2024
2. Transfer(s)
    a. Kendall, James - Teacher / Physical Education (Roane County High School) to Teacher / Special Education (Roane County High School), effective July 1, 2025
3. Extracurricular(s)
    a. Shafer, Bobby - Coach, Girls Basketball (Walton Elementary / Middle School), effective October 25, 2024
    b. Hammack, Frederick - Assistant Coach, Boys Basketball (Roane County High

School), effective October 25, 2024

Reports of Committees

Superintendent's Remarks

The SSAC held an emergency meeting at the Board of Control to reconsider classification for sports. The proposal that was approved by the Board of Control goes now into the State Board of Education that would modify the classification system to consider only enrollment and low socioeconomic status. Roane County will remain in AA.

Adjournment

Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by James Minney to approve. Motion carried. (7:25 pm)

1. Adjourn until the next regular meeting on Thursday, November 7, 2024, at 6:00 pm at Spencer Middle School.