

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF ROANE, HELD OCTOBER 29, 2025, AT 5:00 PM, AT SPENCER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SPENCER,**

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

**Absent: (none)**

**Meeting called to order by Jeffrey Mace (5:00 pm)**

**This meeting could be joined remotely. The public could join by calling 1-304-553-7794 and entering the provided conference ID or on Microsoft Teams using the provided link.**

**Conduct public hearing for the proposed closure of Geary and Walton Elementary Middle Schools and the consolidation of their grades K-5 into Spencer Elementary, and their grades 6-8 into Spencer Middle School and the consolidation of Pre-K students from all schools into the space now occupied by the Office of Student Support Services at Roane County High School**

1. Public Participation

Corrie Ota set the public participation sign-in sheet out at 4:30 pm and it was removed at 5:00 pm.

The following members of the public spoke and asked questions/shared concerns regarding the proposed closure of Geary and Walton Elementary Middle Schools:

Lori Hamric Cottrell, Danylle Popp, Joe Weiland, Denise Holliday, Corena Dolan, Chad Perkins, Gabe Boggs, Rick Atkinson, Justin Shears, Kevin Hall and Rachel Stepp.

**Adjournment**

1. Adjourn until the special board meeting on Monday, November 3, 2025, at 5:00 pm at Spencer Middle School. The next regular board meeting is on Thursday, November 6, 2025, at 6:00 pm at Roane County High School.

Motion by Eileen Richardson and seconded by James Minney to approve. Motion carried. (7:07 pm)