

ROCKCASTLE COUNTY SCHOOLS

245 RICHMOND STREET

MT. VERNON, KY 40456

Minutes of the Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Rockcastle Board of Education Members

Angela Stallsworth-Mink - Chair, Susan Jordison - Vice Chair,

Anna Stevens-Goff, Misty Lakes, Jeff Vanhook

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** At approximately 6:00 pm, Chairman Angela Stallsworth-Mink called the meeting to order.
 - A. Silent Prayer:** At the direction of Chairman Angela Stallsworth-Mink, the Board observed a moment of silent prayer.
 - B. Roll Call:** All members present.
 - C. Reading of Board Team Commitments:** Misty Lakes read the board commitments.
 - D. School Showcase – Rockcastle County High School:** RCHS Principal JD Bussell updated board members in regards to back to school and current activities at the high school. He stated that school is ready to start at RCHS with over 800 students attending orientations. He noted that there will be some troubleshooting and logistics to fine tune, but that staff members are prepared to make necessary adjustments. Mr. Bussell explained the Red/Blue schedule, were Red students attend Monday/Wednesday and Blue students attend Tuesday/Thursday and all students work from home on NTI Fridays. He added that to reduce the risk of COVID-19 exposures, teachers have been split up to handle smaller numbers of students and that traffic will flow one way throughout the entire school day. Mr. Bussell went on to discuss that sports had begun with Girls Golf and Volleyball having games that night. He noted that Mr. McNabb, Assistant Principal and Athletic Director, had worked tirelessly on a safe athletics plan. In closing, Mr. Bussell noted that he is very thankful for all the staff that has worked hard so that we can return to in-person school.

- 2. ADOPT AGENDA/ACTION:** Chairman Angela Stallsworth-Mink requested an amendment to the agenda, adding item 4E- to “Discussion/Action”. Anna Stevens-Goff made a motion to approve the agenda with the requested amendment. Misty Lakes made a second. All members present agreed.

- 3. OPERATIONS/ACTIONS:**
 - A. Approve Minutes of the August 11, 2020 Regular Board Meeting**
 - B. Approve Minutes of the August 27, 2020 Special Board Meeting**
 - C. Approve Bills for Payment**
 - D. Approve Requests for Family and Medical Leave of Absence**
 - E. Approve Contract with BSN Athletics**

Susan Jordison made a motion to approve Operations and Actions as presented. Anna Stevens-Goff made a second. All members present agreed.

- 4. DISCUSSION/ACTION:**
 - A. Review/Approve 2020-2021 Working Budget (Mrs. Sweet)**

Susan Jordison made a motion to approve the 2020-2021 Working Budget as presented. Misty Lakes made a second. All members present agreed.
 - B. Review/Approve Capital Outlay Funds Request (Mrs. Sweet)**

Anna Stevens-Goff made a motion to approve the Capital Outlay Funds Request in the amount of \$240,450. Misty Lakes made a second. All members present agreed.
 - C. Review/Approve Monthly Financial Reports (Mrs. Sweet)**
 - 1. Month Ending Balance Sheet**
 - 2. Revenue & Expenditures for the Month by Fund**

Anna Stevens-Goff made a motion to accept the monthly financial reports. Susan Jordison made a second. All members present agreed.
 - D. Review/Approve Resolution for COVID-19 Emergency Leave**

Misty Lakes made a motion to approve the Resolution for COVID-19 Emergency Leave. Susan Jordison made a second. All members present agreed.

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E. Review/Approve Sports Streaming Contract

Anna Stevens-Goff made a motion to accept the Sports Streaming Contract. Jeff Vanhook made a second. All members present agreed.

5. DISCUSSION/REVIEW:

A. Review Superintendent's Personnel Action Report (*Appendix A*)

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Marcus Reppert – Student Services

- MyRock Online has about 950 students enrolled. Student trainings began on August 4th and wrapped up on Friday, September 4th. MyRock Online students are required to work 4 hours per day and are monitored by RCS staff.
- Telehealth services will be available at RCMS and RCHS and includes services to our MyRock Online students.
- Flu shots are available for all students. Parents must complete a permission form for their child to receive the vaccine.
- Seven homeschool families have returned to our district. Students are tested when they return so that we know what grade level they are prepared for. There were approximately 100 homeschools in Rockcastle County when COVID-19 started.

Jennifer Mattingly – Instruction/Assessment

- There will be an ACT make-up day in October for dates missed in the spring.
- We are still unsure of how state assessment will look for the 2020-2021 school year. Last year's assessment was waived.
- iReady and ReadyMath diagnostic screeners will be given to all students. We will administer these when in-person classes resume. MyRock Online students will also have to take these screeners and we will work out a plan that works best for them. Teachers can also access lessons from these programs and add them to their Google Classroom.

Jenny Sweet - Finance

- Continuing to prepare for annual financial audit which will occur October 7-8.

Ken Hopkins – Transportation

- Working with Food Service Department to establish food delivery routes to over 40 sites in the community
- Working on the logistics and requirements for athletics transportation

Jason Coguer – Preschool/Special Education/Instruction

- Working with teachers on Google Classroom training and other update trainings.
- Teachers will be asked to continue using Google Classroom even after we resume in-person classes.

Jamie Saylor – Food Service

- A partnership between the Food Service Department and Transportation department has created the Rocket Refuel school meals program and will provide meals to students at over 40 community sites each day during NTI.

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Brandon Reynolds - Technology

- Created a Help Desk for families to call if they need assistance with virtual learning/Chromebooks.

7. SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION:

- Superintendent Ballinger presented an updated 30/60/90 Plan to board members and has been revised to show items that have been completed. A working sessions will be scheduled for later in October.
- KSBA Regional Fall Meeting will be held virtually on September 22 at 6:00 and all members are registered.
- Superintendent Ballinger expressed her thanks to board members for their support during this time and noted that she is also proud of our staff and the work they have done to make it possible to begin school.

8. BOARD COMMENTS:

- Ann Stevens-Goff expressed her thanks to all staff in the work done to prepare for school.
- Misty Lakes expressed her thanks to all staff and for keeping kids first in the decision making process.
- Angela Stallsworth Mink added that she also appreciates all of the hard work.

9. ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Jeff Vanhook at 7:46 p.m. Anna Stevens-Goff made a second. All members present agreed.

Angela Stallsworth-Mink, Board Chair

Carrie Ballinger, Secretary

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APPENDIX A

SUPERINTENDENT'S PERSONNEL ACTIONS REPORT

August 11, 2020 – September 8, 2020

Appointments are subject to valid certification and other State requirements. All salaries/wages are in compliance with the current Board-approved salary schedule. Upon receipt of all required documentation, including SBDM approval and Principal recommendation, the Superintendent will send an official letter of employment to each individual. Employee assignments listed below are based on current projections and are subject to alteration as permitted by law.

Full Time Certified Employees

| Name | Effective Date | Position |
|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Shelby Convery | 8/18/2020 | Preschool Teacher |
| Miranda Hamilton | 8/27/2020 | Biology Teacher - RCHS |

Full Time Classified Employees

| Name | Effective Date | Position |
|---------------|-----------------------|--|
| Jenni Ellis | 8/19/2020 | Administrative Secretary – Central Office |
| Lori Smith | 8/17/2020 | Food Service Manager - MVES |
| Eric Bullock | 8/24/2020 | College & Career Navigator - RCMS |
| Isaac McClure | 9/1/2020 | Assistant Football Coach – RCHS |
| Wayne Napier | 9/1/2020 | Paraprofessional Assistant Football Coach – RCHS |
| Jason Alcorn | 9/1/2020 | Bass Fishing Coach – RCHS |

Resignation

| Name | Effective Date | Position |
|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Janet Brooks | 8/19/2020 | Bus Monitor |
| Sue Barron | 8/28/2020 | Bus Monitor |

Retirement

| Name | Effective Date | Position |
|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
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Certified Substitutes

| Names | Effective Date | Position |
|--------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Lesha Cromer | 8/26/2020 | Substitute Teacher |
| Barry Noble | 8/26/2020 | Substitute Teacher |

Classified Substitutes

| Names | Effective Date | Position |
|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Jamison Roberts | 8/26/2020 | Substitute Instructional Assistant |
| Rachele Smith | 8/17/2020 | Substitute Cook/Baker |
| Philip Permenter | 9/9/2020 | Substitute Bus Monitor |