

RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS  
(MINUTES)

**SPRINGFIELD, KY AUGUST 26, 2021 TAX HEARING/REGULAR  
SESSION/EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Washington County Board of Education met in a Tax Hearing/Regular Session/Executive Session at the Washington County TEL Center at 5:30 p.m. on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of AUGUST, 2021 with the following members present:

(1) Curtis Hamilton (2) Patsy Lester (3) Jeremy Thompson (4) Carissa Harley  
(5) Sherri Cheser

Board chair Curtis Hamilton led the pledge of allegiance, and board member Jeremy Thompson read the mission statement. Mr. Hamilton welcomed all in attendance and proceeded with the meeting.

Parent and community member Brandi Swift read a statement concerning school taxes.

**Tax Hearing**

Mrs. Judy Spalding, Chief Finance Officer, read the proposal of the recommended tax. A public hearing was held to hear comments regarding a proposed general fund tax levy of 59.2 cents on real property and 61.0 cents on personal property. This is .6 cents less than the 2021 rate. The General Fund tax levied in fiscal year 2021 was 59.8 cents on real property and 61 cents on personal property and produced revenue of \$3,905,355.90. The proposed General Fund tax rate of 59.2 cents on real property and 61 cents on personal property is expected to produce \$4,206,704.96. Of this amount \$575,329.12 is from new and personal property. The compensating tax for 2022 is 57 cents on real property and 59.4 cents on personal property and is expected to produce \$4,055,725.65. The general areas to which revenue of \$303,348.96 above 2021 revenue is to be allocated are as follows: Cost of collections, \$8,972 and instruction \$317,266. The General Assembly has required publication of this advertisement and information contained herein. This advertisement was paid for by Washington County Board of Education using taxpayer dollars in the amount of \$196 as required by KRS 424.

**Bd. #21-092** – Upon motion of Curtis Hamilton and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by 5-0 roll call vote to accept Option A – Proposed rate – Real Property – 59.2 cents and Personal Property – 61.0 cents.

- Curtis Hamilton – YES
- Patsy Lester – YES
- Jeremy Thompson – YES
- Carissa Harley – YES
- Sherri Cheser - YES

Mr. Hamilton proceeded with the Regular Session.

### **Retirement Recognition**

WCMS teacher Lisa Burkhead, with 28 years of service (21 with WC), WCHS custodian Joseph Peters, with 20 years of service, and NWES library media center specialist Laura King, with 26 years of service (7 with WC) were recognized for retirement and their years of service. Each were present to receive their retirement gift.

### **ACT Wall of Fame**

WCHS senior Ethan Haydon was recognized for earning an 28 on the ACT, thus, being added to the WCHS ACT Wall of Fame. He was absent.

### **Educators Rising**

Current WCHS seniors and recent 2021 WCHS graduates Kate Derringer, Fran Taylor, Lynne Tormoehlen, Mary Jane Wilkerson, Morgan Smith and Samantha O'Daniel were recognized for their work with Educators Rising, particularly, in competing and placing at the state and national levels. Mary Jane Wilkerson and Samantha O'Daniel were both present to receive their certificates.

### **Curriculum & Standards Update**

Chief Academic Officer Cherry Boyles provided an update on the district's curriculum for this school year.

### **Instructional Technology Update**

Instructional Technology Supervisor Wayne Stevens provided an update on progress and changes in the technology department.

### **Legislative Liaison Report**

Legislative Liaison Jeremy Thompson reported that the Interim Joint Committee on Education met on August 3, 2021. The American Enterprise Institute was present to discuss "All Races to Achieve Greatness" in education. The committee also discussed student assignment and public input/discussion on Critical Race Theory. The Kentucky Department of Education and the LRC Office of Educational Accountability was present and stressed no book should be used in a classroom unless it is on the approved state list. The Kentucky Science Center also gave a presentation. The Budget Review Subcommittee on Education met on August 4, 2021. The Kentucky Lottery was present and gave an overview on 2020 record sales and the amounts going to education. There was also a discussion that included AP testing and early literacy as related to KRS 164.207.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Board Meeting Date: 8/26/21

Balance Sheet as of 7/30/21

General Fund - \$4,970,736.22

Special Revenue Fund - \$33,333.45

District Activity - \$112,547.05

Student Activity - \$99,022.56  
Capital Outlay - \$617,837.27  
Building Fund - \$424,397.42  
Construction Fund - \$1,635,217.29  
Debt Service Fund - \$(972,372.89)  
Food Service Fund - \$767,510.32  
Day Care Fund - \$217,886.55  
Scholarship Fund - \$7,596.33

General Fund:

General fund received \$669,274 in revenue and spent \$286,047 in expenditures.

Special Revenue Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures for salaries and fringe are \$68,338 and operational expenditures totaled \$43,193.22.

District Activity Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures are \$4,251.

Student Activity Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures are \$86,102.

Capital Outlay Fund & Building Fund:

We received \$77,120 in capital outlay funding and \$316,644 in state match FSPK funding.

Construction Fund:

Year-to-date we spent \$3,075 in construction funds.

Debt Service Fund:

Year-to-date we paid \$972,373 in principal and interest related to debt.

Food Service Fund:

Total year-to-date receipts are \$108,837 and expenditures are \$50,750.

Day Care Fund:

Total year-to-date receipts are \$141,073 and expenditures are \$142.

Scholarship Fund:

No scholarships have been paid this year.

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Cochran reported that the first day of school went smoothly and bus routes are still being worked on. She informed the board that Haydon Oil has decided to give back to the district by donating a few cents per gallon of fuel that they sell. She spoke briefly about the progress of the new bus garage, and Mike Etapa, the bus garage architect, also gave board members an in-depth update on the new bus garage.



### **Student Learning and Support Services – Action by Consent**

**Bd. #21-093** – Upon motion of Jeremy Thompson and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved, by a vote of 4-0, with Curtis Hamilton abstaining, the following consent items:

- Approved minutes July 19, 2021 Regular Session and August 11, 2021 Special-Called Meeting as presented.
- Approved payment of bills as presented.
- Approved budget amendments as presented.
- Approved submitted donations made to Washington County Schools to date as presented:
  - Donation to WCHS Volleyball from Denita Simms; \$429.61 worth of concession items
  - Donation to WCHS from Charities Aid Foundation of America; \$5.00
  - Donation to WCES FRYSC from First Baptist Church; \$500.00 worth of school supplies.
- Approved School Activity Fund Fundraisers as presented.
- Approved the following Leave Affidavits for personal unpaid days:
  - John Michael Shuler – September 29-30, 2021  
October 1, 2021
  - Judy Cloyd – September 23-24, 2021
- Approved St. Dominic Service Agreements with Washington County Board of Education as presented.
- Approved LifeTouch Service Agreement with WCES as presented.
- Approved MOA Between Commonwealth of Kentucky, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation and Washington County Board of Education for Community Work Transition Program as presented.
- Approved contract between ACT, Inc., and Washington County School District as presented.
- Approved WC Data Security Annual Report as presented.
- Approved permission to submit Preschool Partnership Grant (\$150,000 for two years) as presented.

### **Student Learning and Support Services – Action, Potential Discussion**

**Bd. #21-094** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Jeremy Thompson, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to levy property tax rate of 55.0 cents per \$100 of assessed value upon motor vehicles and watercraft for the calendar year 2022.

**Bd. #21-095** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to RESCIND trip request for WCHS Commander

Baseball team to travel to Fort Walton, Florida for baseball tournament, and APPROVE Trip Request for WCHS Commander Baseball team to travel to Panama City, Florida for baseball tournament on April 2-9, 2022 as presented.

**Bd. #21-096** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Patsy Lester, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 Trip Request for WCHS Commander Marching Band to travel to Orlando, Florida to participate in Disney Parade May 21-26, 2022 as presented.

**Bd. #21-097** – Upon motion of Jeremy Thompson and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 AT&T Pricing Schedule Network Integration Services and Equipment Resale AT&T Hosted Voice Service Agreement Number MA7581300000727 as presented.

**Bd. #21-098** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Jeremy Thompson, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 final section 6 rollover from FY21 as presented:  
NWES - \$47,811  
WCMS - \$17,290  
WCHS - \$59,957  
WCES - \$29,170

**Bd. #21-099** – Upon motion of Jeremy Thompson and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 Trip Request for WCHS chapter of FFA to attend Rising Sun Conference in Hardinsburg, Kentucky on September 10-11, 2021 as presented.

**Bd. #21-100** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Patsy Lester, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to POSTPONE salary motion for bus drivers as presented.

**The Board was notified of the following personnel actions:**

**August Personnel Actions**

**Certified Employment:**

Cortney Ritter – Teacher (WCHS)  
Austyn Cheatham – District Wide Special Education Teacher  
Adrianna Waters – Teacher (WCMS)  
Nichole Midgett- .70 District Wide Special Education Teacher  
Lena Bramblett - Assistant Principal (WCES)  
Tyus Short – Teacher (WCHS)  
Allison Sallee – Guidance Counselor (.50 WCHS & .50 WCMS)  
Tom Bystrek – Alternative School Teacher  
Daily Goatley – Teacher (WCES)  
Jessie Weis – Teacher (NWES)  
Paul Terrell – Substitute Teacher & Substitute Administrator

Jennifer Reynolds – Teacher (WCMS)  
Drew Davis - District Wide Special Education Teacher  
Jennifer Smith – Teacher (WCMS)  
Mary Elmore – Teacher (WCES)  
Alicia Kelly – District Wide Assistant Principal

**Classified Employment:**

Marianne Rutherford – District Wide Special Needs Instructional Assistant  
Nicole Mudd – District Wide Instructional Assistant  
Kim Drury – District Wide Instructional Assistant  
Christy Yaste – District Wide Special Needs Instructional Assistant  
Abby Haydon – Assistant FRYSC Coordinator  
Darlene Young – Substitute Childcare Worker  
Heather Utterback – District Wide Special Needs Instructional Assistant  
Bailey Woford – Childcare Worker  
Martha Morrison – District Wide Instructional Assistant

**Coaches Employment:**

Joseph Mattingly – Boys Soccer Head Coach (WCHS)  
Jason Hilton – Cross Country Coach (WCHS)  
Jerry Wohner – District Middle School Football Assistant Coach  
Drew Davis – Boys Track Head Coach & JV Football Head Coach (WCHS)

**Extra Services Employment:**

Pam Nicholas – Summer School Teacher  
Brad McMurtry – Summer School Teacher  
Morgan Eaton – Summer School Teacher  
Olivia Kelly – Summer School Teacher  
Anna Pickett – Summer School Teacher  
Kim Abell – Summer School Teacher  
Cindy Powell – Summer School Teacher  
Amy Noel – Summer School Teacher  
Morgan Lundy – Summer School Teacher  
Jamie McFall – Summer School Teacher  
Christie Metcalf – Summer School Teacher  
Savannah Monroe – Summer School Teacher  
Alicia Kelly – Summer School Teacher  
Brittany Newton – Summer School Teacher  
Daily Goatley – Summer School Teacher  
Olivia Goatley – Summer School Teacher  
Traci Blanford – Family & Consumer Science Head and Department Head – Practical  
Living/Vocational Studies  
Victoria Meredith - Family & Consumer Science Assistant and Family & Consumer Science  
Club Sponsor  
Charles Drury – Assistant Band Director



**Resignations:**

Heather Reed – District Wide Special Education Teacher  
Todd Claunch – Teacher & .5 Athletic Director (WCMS); Girls Basketball Head Coach (WCHS)  
Samantha Hoppes – Teacher Leader (WCMS)  
Kim Drury – District Wide Special Needs Instructional Assistant  
Christy Yaste – District Wide Instructional Assistant  
Adrianna Waters – Teacher (WCMS)  
Rachel Caldwell – Substitute Lunchroom Worker  
Charles Preston – Mechanic  
Jessie Weis – Kindergarten Instructional Assistant (NWES)  
Zachary Graves – Boys Basketball Head Coach (WCMS)  
Drew Davis – Teacher (WCHS)  
Jennifer Smith – Teacher (WCES)  
Yuliana Ortega – Part-Time ESL Tutor  
Martha Morrison – Childcare Worker (NWES)  
Alicia Kelly – Teacher (WCES)

**Retirement:**

Lisa Burkhead – Teacher (WCMS)  
Laura King – Teacher (NWES)  
Joe Peters – Custodian (WCHS)

**Rescind Employment:**

Amy Cissell – District Wide Special Needs Instructional Assistant

**Classified Contracts Issued:**

Brandon Baker, Melissa Barnes, Sue Blair, Bonnie Bond, Michael Bonzo, Carol Carney, Larry Carney, Harold Chesser, Pam Chesser, Ray Hagan, Rickie Hellard, Brianna Jones, Donna Lewis, Bart Mattingly, John McDaniel, Donna Milburn, James Milburn, David Riney, Bobby Russell, Lynn Russell John Shuler, James Smith, Mark Speakman, Sherry Speakman, James Thompson, Leland Turner, Lynden Turner, Murray Walker, Charles Warner, Roland Youmans, Louise Young, Terry Young

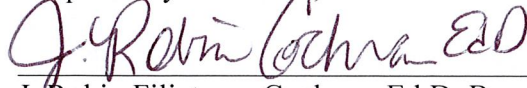
**EXECUTIVE SESSION (Pending Litigation KRS 61.810(1)(c))**

**Bd. #21-101** – Upon motion of Jeremy Thompson and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 motion to enter into Executive Session per KRS 61.810(1)(c) for pending litigation.

**Bd. #21-102** – Upon motion of Jeremy Thompson and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 motion to exit Executive Session.

**Bd. #21-103** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Patsy Lester, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn at 8:02 p.m.

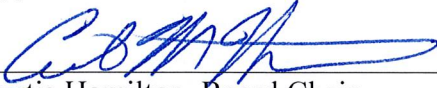
Respectfully submitted,



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J. Robin Filiatreau Cochran, Ed.D. Board Secretary

Approved:



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Curtis Hamilton, Board Chair