

**Rowan County Board of Education Regular Meeting**

August 15, 2017, 6 p.m.

Rowan County Board of Education

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson  
Dr. Scott Davison  
Mr. Danny Mabry  
Mrs. Brenda Stamm  
Mr. Rick Whelan

Absent Board Members:

Dr. Scott Davison

**1. Open meeting**

**1.a. Call meeting to order**

Chairman Rick Whelan called the meeting to order. Chairman Whelan noted that board member Scott Davison may not be at the meeting due to moving his son into the Gatton Academy today.

**1.b. Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Rick Whelan led the board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1.c. Recognize visitors and guests**

**1.c. - "School to Watch" presentation by Rowan County Middle School**

Jay Padula, Rowan County Middle School principal gave an overview of their trip to the Schools to Watch Conference in Washington, DC in June. Mr. Padula thanked the board for allowing their staff to attend this conference. They were able to accept their school award, present, and attend informational sessions at the conference. Others that attended the trip and reported at the meeting included: Mary Beth Armstrong, James Hood, and Glen Teager.

**2. Approve regular business items**

**2.a. Approve regular July 25, 2017, board meeting minutes**

**2.b. Approve payment of monthly claims**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve regular business items 2.a. and 2.b. passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Absent
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

### **3. Personnel report**

Superintendent Moore shared the following personnel report:

#### **Employment**

Burchett, Helen	employ as a preschool teacher at the Rowan County Preschool Center effective at the beginning of the 2017 - 2018 school year
Caudill, Cinda	employ as a bus monitor for the Rowan County Schools effective with the beginning of the 2017 - 2018 school year
Caudill, Leashia	employ as a bus monitor for the Rowan County Schools effective with the beginning of the 2017 - 2018 school year
Charles, Larry	employ for the social studies position at Rowan County Senior High School effective with the beginning of the 2017 - 2018 school year
Clark, Diana	employ as a part-time elementary teacher for the 2017 - 2018 school year at Clearfield Elementary effective with the beginning of the 2017 - 2018 school year
Collins, Scott	employ as head coach for the baseball team at Rowan County Senior High School effective with the beginning of the 2017 - 2018 school year
Lambert, Richard	employ for the district-wide part time (four hours per day) computer maintenance technician position with the Rowan County Schools effective with the beginning of the 2017 - 2018 school year
Lawson, Samantha	employ as a bus monitor for the Rowan County Schools effective with the beginning of the 2017 - 2018 school year
Pollitt, Jennifer	employ as a bus monitor for the Rowan County Schools effective August 15, 2017
Taylor, Christopher S.	employ as an assistant coach for the boys' soccer team at Rowan County Senior High School effective with the beginning of the 2017 - 2018 school year
Ward, April	employ for the math position at Rowan County Senior High School effective with the beginning of the 2017 - 2018 school year

#### **Contract Change**

Griffin, Guy	contract days for the 2017 - 2018 school year will increase to 220 days per year as compliance coordinator at the bus garage
Plank, Cosba	contract days for the 2017 - 2018 school year will decrease from 185 days to 130 days at the Rowan County Preschool Center per employee request

#### **Resignations**

Brewer, Destanee	resign as a bus monitor with Rowan County Schools effective July 31, 2017
Brewer, Dwayne	resign as a bus driver with Rowan County Schools effective July 31, 2017
Glover, Jacob	resign as a bus driver with Rowan County Schools effective August 4, 2017

Helvey, Janet	resign as a nurse at Rowan County Senior High school effective August 18, 2017 - rescinded letter upon request of employee on August 14, 2017
Stevens, Richard	resign as a bus driver with Rowan County Schools effective August 10, 2017
Vanmeter, Geneva	resign as a bus monitor with Rowan County schools effective July 31, 2017

**Retirements**

Debord, Connie	retirement letter dated April 17, 2017, has been rescinded. New effective date of retirement as an instructional aide at McBrayer Elementary will be October 1, 2017
Tackett, Jack	retire as a bus driver with the Rowan County Schools effective September 1, 2017

**4. Treasurer's report**

Superintendent Moore gave the treasurer's report reflecting a balance in the general fund of \$3,153,098.60.

**5. Update on Rowan County multipurpose athletic field complex project**

Peter Fisher with RossTarrant Architects provided a PowerPoint presentation on the progress of the Rowan County multipurpose athletic complex project. Jeff Garrison with The Walker Company was also present to answer questions concerning the project. Turf installation will begin on Friday. Mr. Garrison said the project team had been great to work with.

**6. Approve Pay Application No. 4 and direct purchase order summary and invoices for the Rowan County multipurpose athletic complex project**

Peter Fisher noted the Pay Application No. 4 had been reviewed by the design team. The Pay Application and associated direct purchase orders are acceptable for the work that has been completed and they recommend it for approval.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve Pay Application No. 4 and direct purchase order summary and invoices for the Rowan County multipurpose athletic complex project passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson and a second by Mr. Danny Mabry.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Absent
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

**7. Approve Change Order No. 3 for the Rowan County multipurpose athletic complex project**

Peter Fisher noted that Change Order No. 3 was needed due to weather/field conditions for the months of May and June 2017. They are asking that seven days be added to the substantial completion date.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve Change Order No. 3 for the Rowan County multipurpose athletic complex project passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Absent
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

#### **8. Update on Senate Bill 1**

Allison Mathews reported on Senate Bill 1. Allison noted that the Commissioner requested to hold off on the second reading of the new accountability system so that members could ask questions about any part they didn't understand, process information, and talk to the Commissioner about anything they are not comfortable with the new system. Kentucky Board of Education will be voting on August 23, 2017, on the second reading of the new regulation. Student test data has been received, but is embargoed until the middle of September. Test scores will be publicly released at the end of September, or the first of October. School leadership can use the data already received to group students now to best fit their needs.

#### **9. Approve memorandum of understanding with Pathways to provide services for students for the 2017 - 2018 school year**

Superintendent Moore noted that Pathways provides free quality services to our students.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve memorandum of understanding with Pathways to provide services for students for the 2017 - 2018 school year passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Brenda Stamm.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Absent
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

#### **10. Flu shots**

Renee Smith shared information with board members concerning flu shots and was available to answer any questions.

**Motion Passed:** Motion that the board pay up to \$25 per employee for the seasonal flu vaccine for those not covered under one of the insurance plans that wish to get a flu shot passed with a motion by Mrs. Brenda Stamm and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Absent
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

**11. Approve shortened school day request for one student**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve shortened school day request for one student will be tabled to the September board meeting due to required paperwork passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Absent
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

**12. Approve Visa card for bus garage with \$500 limit**

Superintendent Moore noted that this card is only used for emergency purchases for drivers that are on school trips. Glen Teager said that the company card the bus garage was currently using was charging more in fees per year than what was being charged on the card.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve Visa card for bus garage with \$500 limit passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Absent
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

**13. Approve tax rates for 2017 - 2018 school year**

Superintendent Moore noted that tax rates have stayed flat for the past two years and, if approved tonight, will be going down this year from 56.8 to 56.4 cents per \$100 value. If this tax rate is approved tonight, there is no tax hearing or advertisement in the newspaper. Chairman Rick Whelan noted that the property assessments have gone up, meaning there will be more money coming in to make up the difference for the tax reduction. Chairman Rick Whelan complimented central office staff for managing the district finances so well; including one percent raises the last two years for employees and purchasing 1,200 Chromebooks for our students this year.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve a real estate tax rate of 56.4 and a personal property/tangible tax rate of 56.4 and to exempt the tax on aircraft (recreational and non-commercial), watercraft (non-commercial out of state or coast guard registered), and inventory in transit for the 2017 - 2018 school year and to approve a utility tax of 3 percent passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson and a second by Mrs. Brenda Stamm.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Absent
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

**14. Approve the motor vehicle tax continue at the same rate and that the board approve 49 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve the motor vehicle tax to continue at the same rate and that the board approve 49 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Absent
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

**15. Approve closing school on Monday, August 21, 2017, for solar eclipse**

Superintendent Moore noted he had met with all building principals and liaisons to discuss the solar eclipse. No insurance company would say they would or would not cover claims related to the eclipse. It was thought that it would be best for students to be at home with parents to experience this once in a lifetime event.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve closing school on Monday, August 21, 2017, for solar eclipse passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Absent
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

Board member Scott Davison arrived at the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

**16. Superintendent's report**

- Attendance for the first day of school on August 10, 2017, was 3,174.
- The September board meeting will be held at the Rowan County Board of Education.
- The following sponsors will allow for all students to receive free admission to all athletic events at the high school for the 2017 - 2018 school year: American Business Systems, Bypass Pawn, Citizens Bank, Fazoli's, First National Bank of Grayson - Morehead Branch, Holbrook's Embroidery, Kentucky Farm Bureau, Regal Beloit, Scott Napier, Steve Williams, and US Bank.
- The transportation department will be receiving the Gold Fleet Safety Award from the Kentucky Department of Education.

**17. Other business**

**17.a. Approve naming the new Rowan County multipurpose athletic field complex after Superintendent Marvin Moore**

Board member Jennifer Anderson noted that she thought the new multipurpose athletic field complex should be named after Mr. Moore. The Paul Ousley Stadium sign needs done again and this would be a good time to go ahead and name the complex after Mr. Moore. Also, Ms. Anderson has discussed this idea with Paul Ousley's family.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve naming the new Rowan County multipurpose athletic field complex after Superintendent Marvin Moore passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson and a second by Mr. Danny Mabry.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

**18. Closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (b) (c) (f)**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to go into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (b) (c) (f) passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

The board went into closed session at 6:50 p.m. and reconvened at 7:07 p.m. with no action being taken.

**19. Adjourn**

**Motion Passed:** Motion that the meeting adjourn passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson and a second by Mr. Danny Mabry.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Superintendent