

The McCreary County Board of Education met in Regular Session on December 14, 2020 at 6:00 PM at the McCreary County Board of Education's Central Office. Chairman King welcomed everyone then called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call. Present were Braxton King, Deborah Gibson, Lori Foster and Superintendent, Corey M. Keith. Also present were Board Attorney, John T. Blevins and School System Staff.

This Regular Board meeting will be by video teleconferencing, in keeping with the requirements of KRS 61.826. The primary location of the video teleconference is the McCreary County Board of Education's Central Office, 120 Raider Way, Stearns, KY. The video teleconferencing is being made in light of the exceptional circumstances of the current state of emergency.

The McCreary County Board of Education will be following the NEW GUIDANCE from the Attorney General, see OAG 20-05 for the following meeting as well as Kentucky 2020 Senate Bill 150. There will be no public meeting location. We will use YouTube to stream the meeting. The link is <https://youtu.be/hzmk5gJnkcQ>

Mission Statement: The McCreary County School System will provide a safe, supportive environment to meet the individual needs of all students and ensure they are college and career ready.

AMEND THE AGENDA TO ADD AN ITEM FO DISCUSSION: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON THE LEGAL REPRESENTATION AND BOARD COUNSEL AS ITEM 7 - #10482

A motion was made by Mrs. Lori Foster and a second by Ms. Deborah Gibson to approve amending the agenda to add an item of Discussion-Discuss and/or take action on the Legal Representation and Board Counsel as Item 7. Member voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Vacant; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Vacant

APPROVE AGENDA - #10483

A motion was made by Mrs. Lori Foster and a second by Ms. Deborah Gibson to approve the agenda. Members voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Vacant; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Vacant

COMMUNICATIONS - #10484

A. Prayer

Superintendent Keith

B. Pledge

Everyone

C. Public Comments

No Public Comments

D. Superintendent Communications

Superintendent Keith shared with the Board an update on the District's Federal Program and he shared that Title 1 Committee had an annual meeting. He shared his appreciation in our Students, Staff, Community and Board for all working so hard and being so understanding during these trying times. He also shared an update on Governor Beshear's announcement earlier that evening regarding in-person learning. The Governor will allow districts to have in-person learning even if the county is in red, as long as certain guidelines are met. He will keep the Board informed as he gets more updates. He recognized Mr. Dustin Stephens, who resigned last month, for his 4 years of service on the Board. He recognized Ms. Deborah Gibson for her service on the Board. Ms. Gibson has served for 10 years, was Board Vice-Chair for four years, has served as KSBA Board of Directors for the past three years for the Upper Cumberland Region and received the 2020 Warren Proudfoot Board Member Award at this year's Annual Conference and he thanked her for her service. Board Member Lori Foster shared her appreciation and recognized Ms. Gibson for her help and service to the district. Board Chair, Braxton King shared his appreciation for Ms. Gibson and her help and service to the district. Superintendent Keith presented Ms. Gibson with a plaque thanking her for her service and dedication to the Students and Staff in the district.

E. Superintendent's Report on Personnel/Employment Authorization

Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt of Superintendent's Report on Personnel/Employment Authorization.

APPROVE ACTIONS BY CONSENT - #10485

A motion was made by Mrs. Lori Foster and a second by Ms. Deborah Gibson to approve the Actions by Consent as presented. Members voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Vacant; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Vacant

A. Acknowledge Superintendent's Report on Leave of Absence Authorizations

B. Approve Minutes

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C. Approve Payment of Bills and Claims

- D. Approve Payment of Bills and Claims through the end of the month of December**
- E. Approve Monthly Financial Report for the Month Ending November 30, 2020**
- F. Approve Revision for Records Management policy 01.61 - 2nd reading**
- G. Approve Outdoor Venture Corporations donation for Gifted Achievement**
- H. Acknowledge First Calendar Committee Reading for 2021-2022 School Year**
- I. Approve Berea College ETS (Grant) Memorandum of Understanding**

DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON LEGAL REPRESENTATION AND BOARD COUNSEL-TABLED - #10486

The Board discussed concerns regarding the Board's counsel. The Board had questions and asked to table this item to be moved to after the Board returns from closed session.

ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO KRS 61.810(1)(f)-to discuss the potential appointment and selection of individual members to the McCreary County Board of Education - #10487

A motion was made by Ms. Deborah Gibson and a second by Mrs. Lori Foster to enter into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(f)-to discuss the potential appointment and selection of individual members to the McCreary County Board of Education at 6:28 p.m. Members voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Vacant; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Vacant

Chairman King stated that the Board met in closed session and no action was taken.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION - #10488

A motion was made by Ms. Deborah Gibson and a second by Mr. Braxton King to return to Open Session at 7:53 p.m. Members voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Vacant; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Vacant

DISCUSS LEGAL REPRESENTATION AND BOARD COUNSEL - #10489

The Board reviewed minutes from November 13, 2019 board meeting. There was discussion on using another counsel for the Board's business. The Board decided to get some more information and review this again at another meeting.

SET INTERVIEW SCHEDULE FOR BOARD MEMBER APPLICANTS - #10490

A motion was made by Mrs. Lori Foster and a second by Ms. Deborah Gibson to set the interview schedule for Thursday, December 17, 2020 and to not make a selection until all interviews have been completed for Board Member applicants. Members voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Vacant; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Vacant

SET THE NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURN - #10491

A motion was made by Ms. Deborah Gibson and a second by Mrs. Lori Foster to set the next meeting of the McCreary County Board of Education for Monday, January 25, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at the Board's Central Office and to adjourn. Members voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Vacant; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Vacant

Chairperson

Secretary