

The McCreary County Board of Education met in Special Session on Wednesday, February 22, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. at the Board's Central Office. Chairman Barnett welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Present were Johnny Barnett, Braxton King, Stacey Hammons, Cody Perry and Estle Swain. Also present were the media, school system staff and interested parties.

**ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO KRS 61.810(1)(c) - Discussion of pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency - #10911**

A motion was made by Mr. Johnny Barnett and a second by Mr. Cody Perry to enter into executive session at 8:01 p.m. Members voted as follows:

Perry – AYE; Swain – AYE; Barnett – AYE; King – AYE; Hammons – AYE

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION - #10912**

A motion was made by Mr. Braxton King and a second by Mrs. Stacey Hammons to return to open session at 8:40 p.m. Members voted as follows:

Swain – AYE; Barnett – AYE; King – AYE; Hammons – AYE; Perry – AYE

Chairman Barnett said “No Action Was Taken”.

At this time, Board Attorney, John T. Blevins made a recommendation to hire an independent Investigator and to review the board's policy and procedures that need to be updated.

**TAKE ACTION REGARDING PERSONNEL - #10913**

A motion was made by Mrs. Stacey Hammons and a second by Mr. Cody Perry to allow Board Attorney to hire outside counsel to review events of February 21, 2023, and make recommendation for all policy and procedure to be update. Members voted as follows:

Barnett – AYE; King – AYE; Hammons – AYE; Perry – AYE; Swain - AYE

A motion was made by Stacey Hammons and a second by Mr. Cody Perry to hire Larry Hammond as Interim Superintendent on a daily contract negotiated by the Board Attorney to include a daily wage & mileage. Members voted as follows:

King – AYE; Hammons – AYE; Perry – AYE; Swain – AYE; Barnett – AYE

**ADJOURN - #10914**

A motion was made by Mr. Braxton King and a second by Mr. Cody Perry to adjourn. Members voted as follows:

Hammons – AYE; Perry – AYE; Swain – AYE; Barnett – AYE; King - AYE

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Chairman

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Secretary