

RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS (MINUTES)

SPRINGFIELD, KY MAY 15, 2023 REGULAR SESSION/EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Washington County Board of Education met in Regular Session at the Washington County TEL Center at 6:00 p.m. on the 15th day of MAY 2023 with the following members present:

(1) Curtis Hamilton (2) Jeremy Thompson (3) Carissa Harley (4) Sherri Cheser
(5) Ray Canterbury

Mr. Hamilton led the Pledge of Allegiance and board member Ray Canterbury read the mission statement. Mr. Hamilton welcomed all in attendance, acknowledged that May is Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Jewish American Heritage Month and Mental Health Awareness Month, and proceeded with the meeting.

Retirement Recognition

The board and Superintendent Dr. Cochran recognized director of technology Mike Scyphers and NWES teacher Donna White for their upcoming retirement. Mr. Scyphers served 23 years with Washington County Schools, and Mrs. White served 32 years. Mr. Scyphers was present for recognition; Mrs. White was absent due to a prior commitment.

Campbellsville University Excellence in Teaching

The board and Superintendent Dr. Cochran recognized the three teachers who were recognized in the Campbellsville University Excellence in Teaching Awards – Morgan Eaton, Lindsey White Wilson and Lisa Blandford Hall. Mrs. Eaton and Mrs. Hall were present for the recognition. Mrs. Wilson was absent.

Student Recognitions

The board and Superintendent Dr. Cochran recognized WCHS juniors JT Mattingly and Molly Brady for being accepted into the Governor's Scholar Program; Charity Blanton for being accepted into the Governor's School for the Arts, Andrew Wilson and Raegan Abell for earning the Larry Graves Memorial Scholarship, and Matthew Cassidy, Gavin Meyer, Isabella Piasecki, John Alexander Taylor and Timothy Yates, Jr. for earning a 28 or above on the ACT and being added to the ACT Wall of Fame. (Matthew Cassidy – 29; Gavin Meyer – 29; Isabella Piasecki – 28; John Alexander Taylor – 29; Timothy Yates, Jr. – 31)

Presentation – Commander Bass Fishing

Tina Sagrecy, who assists Scott Sagrecy in coaching the WCHS Commander Bass Fishing team, gave a presentation on the team's growth and success.

Legislative Liaison Report

Mr. Thompson reported that there have been no interim meetings scheduled since the 2023 session has ended. There was another review of legislation passed in the last issue of KSBA's advocate.

Treasurer's Report

Board Meeting Date: 5/15/2023

The FY24 tentative budget presented to the board totals \$31,863,185.87.

The total general fund tentative budget is \$21,532,888. This includes a \$4,506,713 in beginning fund balance, operating revenues of \$12,329,575 and the state's on behalf payments for our district of \$4,601,600 and indirect costs transfer in from food service of \$95,000. The budget does not include a property tax increase. SEEK funding is projected to be \$7,035,087. This is a \$115,204 increase from 2023 final SEEK allocation. We budgeted a slight increase in ad valorem taxes and utility taxes; \$4,116,800 and \$780,000 respectively. We projected interest earnings to be \$175,000. In the general fund our projected amount for payroll, fringe, on behalf payments and worker's compensation insurance is \$16,295,533 and \$4,148,539 in operating costs and funds transfers. The budgeted contingency is \$1,088,816. We project the actual cost of salary and fringe to be \$10.4 million if you approve the salary schedule being presented. KTRS employer match is 3.0% for nonfederal funds. CERS employer match decreased from 26.79% to 23.34%. We are not planning to purchase a bus this year. In FY23 we have ordered 6 with our ESSER funding. Additional budget was applied to key areas such as substitute costs, sick leave payout, repair and maintenance and supplies. The general fund budget is made up of 76% salaries, fringe and on behalf payments (69% without the state's on behalf payments), 19% operating expenditures, less than 1% of funds transfers leaving the remaining 5.06% as contingency. The projected amount of change is \$692,001. This would leave a \$3.7 million projected fund balance or 29%.

KDE's legal counsel opinion is we will not have to advertise or do a tax hearing when setting a 4% property tax rate or lower.

The proposed salary schedule has a 2% increase on both certified and classified salary schedules with no change in substitute teacher. For the working budget we will adjust Section 6 carryovers to the actual ending balance at June 30th. Over the summer months we will strategically plan our funding in such a way to protect local funds. We will continue to update our grants as information becomes available.

The special revenue fund total budget is \$2,882,468. We believe the funding will remain consistent and will be adjusted for the working budget as final grant allocations become available. Changes will be presented with the monthly budget amendments and/or with the working budget.

The district activity fund total budget is \$257,205.

The school activity fund total budget is \$347,126.

Our capital outlay and building funds total \$941,068 and \$1,985,788. A total of \$1,238,026 will be used toward debt service.

Debt service budget for next year is \$1,443,134 for principal and interest payments. SFCC provides \$166,384 towards our debt service.

School food service has a budget of \$3,249,993. Budgeted salaries, fringe and on behalf payment equal \$861,123 operating costs are \$1,506,114 and a budgeted contingency of \$787,756. The indirect cost is budgeted at \$95,000.

Daycare has a budget of \$666,650.

Current year report:

Balance Sheet:

General Fund \$6,541,774.97
Special Revenue \$457,401.58
District Activity \$166,303.64
Student Activity \$152,793.89
Capital Outlay \$698,747.71
Building \$207,054.13
Construction \$59,909.50
Debt Service \$132,778.62
Food Service \$1,173,402.69
Day Care \$469,071.79
Scholarship \$5,930.37

General Fund:

General fund received \$10,771,578.58 in revenue and spent \$9,456,434.85 in expenditures.

Special Revenue Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures for salaries and fringe are \$2,701,310.62 and operational expenditures are \$1,141,199.22.

District Activity Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures are \$89,293.34.

Student Activity Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures are \$211,850.26.

Capital Outlay Fund & Building (FSPK) Fund:

We received \$77,120 in capital outlay funding and \$360,814 in state match FSPK funding and \$871,058 in local property tax. This will be used to offset the debt service.

Construction Fund:

Year to date we spent \$727,688.87 in construction funds.

Debt Service Fund:

Year-to-date principal and interest paid on debt is \$1,233,354.13.

Food Service Fund:

Total year-to-date receipts are \$1,471,249.79 and expenditures are \$1,379,334.68.

Day Care Fund:

Total year-to-date receipts are \$161,588.53 and expenditures are \$15,060.21.

Scholarship Fund:

Total expenditures this year is \$0.

Superintendent's Report

No report given due to time.

Student Learning and Support Services – Action by Consent

Bd. #23-043– Upon motion of Carissa Harley and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 the following consent items:

- Approved minutes from April 17, 2023 Regular Session.
- Approved payment of bills as presented.
- Approved budget amendments as presented.
- Approved donations made to Washington County Schools as presented:
 - Donation to WCMS from Southern Style Kettle Corn; \$40.00
 - Donation to WCHS from Charities Aid Foundation of America; \$5.00
 - Donation to WCHS Environmental Club from Jackie Roberts; \$50.00
 - Donation to WCHS Bass Fishing from Sell with Hale; \$200.00
 - Donation to WCHS Bass Fishing from Byrd II, LLC; \$300.00
 - Donation to WCHS Bass Fishing from Hair Razors – Jarrod Noel; \$100.00
 - Donation to WCHS Cheerleading from Parkview IGA; \$100.00
 - Donation to WCBOE from City of Springfield; \$1,000.00
 - Donation to WCHS Golf from Mattingly, Simms, Robinson & McCain; \$100.00
 - Donation to WCHS Bass Fishing from Len & Susan Spalding; \$1,000.00
 - Donation to WCHS Cheerleading from Len & Susan Spalding; \$1,000.00
 - Donation to WCHS Golf from Len & Susan Spalding; \$1,000.00
 - Donation to WCHS from Charities Aid Foundation of America; \$7.50
 - Donation to WCHS Golf from M&J Construction Co Inc; \$300.00
 - Donation to NWES from Isaiah House; \$584.00
 - Donation to WC Special Education Department from WAGS; \$2,500.00
- Approved the following leave affidavits for unpaid days:

- Paul Carney – April 24, 2023 (1 day)
- Approved Title III EL Intent to Participate as presented.
- Approved Title IV, Part A Intent to Participate as presented.
- Approved permission to apply for Title IV Part A funds.
- Approved 2023-2024 Washington County Schools Professional Development Catalogue as presented.
- Approved 2023-2024 Washington County Schools Certified Evaluation Plan as presented.
- Approved AOPA Foundation, Inc. High School Aviation STEM Curriculum license/agreement form as presented.
- Approved WCS Virtual School Handbook as presented.
- Approved Memorandum of Agreement with Midway University for Teacher Education Program as presented.
- Approved to authorize the Superintendent to take necessary steps to support the Council for Better Education - \$1,465.94.
- Approved STEP CG Contract as presented.
- Approved permission to apply for the Department of Community Based Services Technology Grant for childcare.
- Approved surplus of greenhouse located at 603 Lincoln Park Road (by preschool building).
- Approved request to the Washington County Board of Education to escrow the following of the 2022-2023 Section 6 SBDM allocation as presented:
 - WCHS - \$14,000
 - NWES - \$11,000
 - WCMS - \$5,500
 - WCES - \$9,500
- Approved proposed activity fund principal's budgets for WCES, NWES, WCMS and WCHS as required by Redbook for the FY 23-24 school year as presented.
- Approved nonpublic transportation contract for 2023-2024 as presented.
- Approved WCHS trip requests for the following:
 - WCHS Senior Trip to Holiday World
 - WCHS chapter of FCCLA to FFA training center in Hardinsburg, KY
 - WCHS Beta Club to National Beta Convention

Student Learning and Support Services – Action, Potential Discussion

Bd. #23-046 – Upon motion of Carissa Harley and seconded by Jeremy Thompson, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 2023-2024 salary schedules as presented.

Bd. #23-047 – Upon motion of Ray Canterbury and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 2023-2024 tentative budget as presented.

Bd. #23-048 – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 the following insurance:

- Student accident insurance – Roberts Insurance Base + Catastrophic Zurich Insurance - \$11,750.00
- EMC property, fleet and other insurance - \$167,634
- Workers Comp insurance
 - ClearPath - \$41,130.00

Bd. #23-049 – Upon motion of Carissa Harley and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 AdTec Contract Fee E-Rate Agreement as presented.

Bd. #23-050 – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to increase childcare rates by \$3.00 beginning July 1, 2023 school year with rates increasing \$2.00 each year through June 30, 2026 as presented. Approved rates: Registration Fee: (stays the same); Tuition (Full Day): \$25; Tuition (Half Day): \$15; Afterschool school-age only: \$9; Non-school Drop-in Rate: \$28; Afterschool Daily Drop-in Rate: \$15; Childcare Worker Flat Pay Rate: No change at this time.

Bd. #23-051 – Upon motion of Ray Canterbury and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 Application and Agreement for Use of District Property for WCHS Commander Marching Band to host Tri-States Marching Band Competition on August 26, 2023 as presented.

Bd. #23-052 – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 request to form WCHS Commander Soccer Booster Club as presented.

Bd. #23-053 – Upon motion of Carissa Harley and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 District Facility Plan as presented.

Bd. #23-054 – Upon motion of Ray Canterbury and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to appoint Chad Willis as hearing officer for the District Facility Plan.

Bd. #23-055 – Upon motion of Carissa Harley and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 revised BG-1 for project #22-428 WCHS Water Infiltration.

Bd. #23-056 – Upon motion of Ray Canterbury and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 revised BG-1 for project #22-391 WCHS – Phase II.

Bd. #23-057 – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 School Based Satellite Clinic Agreement with Cumberland Family Medical Center, Inc. as presented.

Bd. #23-058 – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to move approval of Geotechnology proposal from Action by Consent to Action, Potential Discussion.

Bd. #23-059 – Upon motion of Ray Canterbury and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to give Superintendent Dr. Cochran permission to move forward with negotiated revision to Geotechnology proposal.

The Board was notified of the following personnel actions:

May Personnel Actions

Certified Employment:

Bridgette Bowman – Teacher (WCES)

Catherine Mulholland – Teacher (WCES)

Classified Employment:

Ciarra Tennill – Substitute Childcare Worker

Peyton Tingle – Substitute Childcare Worker

Coaches Employment:

Jerry Bartley – District Middle School Softball Assistant Coach

Resignation:

Danielle Cain – Teacher & Science Department Head (WCHS)

Hailey Russell – Part-Time Childcare Worker

Pam Chesser – Substitute

Sandra Alcorn – Substitute

Louise Young – Substitute

Berry Alcorn – Substitute

Michael Bonzo – Substitute

Ashley Wohner – Substitute

Brandy Thompson – Substitute

Lindsey Wilson – Teacher (NWES)

Madeline Pettus – Substitute Teacher

Greg Smith – Boys Basketball Head Coach (WCMS)

Arie May – Teacher (WCHS)

Morgan Lundy – Teacher (WCES)

Scott Elder – Girls Basketball Head Coach (WCHS)

Retirement:

Donna White – Teacher (NWES)

Mike Scyphers – Director of Technology

Student Employment:

Kaylee Sparrow – Student Bus Monitor

EXECUTIVE SESSION – (KRS 61.810(1)(f) for Expulsion Hearing

Bd. #23-060 – Upon motion of Curtis Hamilton and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved a vote by 5-0 motion to enter into Executive Session.

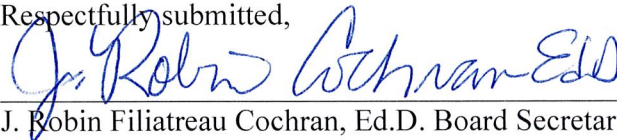
Board member Jeremy Thompson exited the meeting.

Bd. #23-061 – Upon motion of Curtis Hamilton and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved by a vote of 4-0 motion to exit Executive Session.

Bd. #23-062 – Upon motion of Curtis Hamilton and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved by a vote of 4-0 to carry out the action as discussed in closed session.

Bd. #23-063 – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Curtis Hamilton, the board approved by a vote of 4-0 to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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

Approved:



Curtis Hamilton, Board Chair