

Rockcastle County Board of Education

Angela Stallsworth-Mink, Chairman ♦ Anna Stevens-Goff, Vice Chairman
Matt Chaliff ♦ Misty Lakes ♦ Angela Parsons-Woods

Rockcastle Teaching & Learning Center ♦ 250 Richmond Street, Mt. Vernon, KY 40456

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 10th, 2023 - 5:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A. Silent Prayer

Chairperson Mink called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and led all who were present in a moment of silent prayer.

B. Roll Call

Chairperson Mink, Matt Chaliff and Angie Woods were all present at the time of roll call. Vice Chairperson Goff arrived late. Misty Lakes was not present.

C. Reading of Board Team Commitments

Angie Woods read the Board Team Commitments aloud.

2. ADOPT AGENDA/ACTION

Chairperson Mink asked the Board to amend the agenda to include item: 5G. Approve NASP ValuePoint FMV Lease Agreement (Option C). Motion was made by Matt Chaliff to approve the amended agenda. Angie Woods seconded the motion. All those present agreed.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

No members of the public were present to comment.

4. SCHOOL & COMMUNITY SHOWCASE:

Mrs. Jessica Willis shared that RCMS has had a great start to the school year. She then introduced Mrs. Hillary Whitaker and the middle school FFA officers to share. Mrs. Whitaker introduced the officers and was excited to share the success of our middle school program since it began in 2021. The officers then each shared about the summer enrichment activities they participated in and the upcoming events they have to look forward to. There are only 15 middle school FFA programs in the State and Rockcastle is one of those 15. Mrs. Willis concluded the program by sharing that pushing academics is paramount while opening the students' eyes to opportunities for them to find their niche'.

5. OPERATIONS/ACTIONS:

- A. Approve Minutes of the September 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting
- B. Approve Bills for Payment
- C. Approve School Trips
- D. Approve TC-4 Substitute Teachers
- E. Approve 1 year Conditional Certification (K. Howard)
- F. Approve Fundraisers
- G. Approve NASP ValuePoint FMV Lease Agreement (Option C)

A motion was made by Matt Chaliff to approve Operations and Actions. Angie Woods seconded the motion. All members present agreed.

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- A. Review/Approve Monthly Financial Reports (*Mrs. Sweet*)
 - 1. Month Ending Balance Sheet
 - 2. Revenue & Expenditures for the Month by Fund

A motion was made by Anna Goff. Angie Woods seconded the motion. All members present agreed.

B. Review/Approve Schematic Design Package for the Rockcastle County High School Paving and ADA Ramp Project (BG 24-097)

Derek Phillips (Deco) presented a slideshow that reviewed the current layout and drone traffic study. A proposed site modification with 5 identified areas of improvement was then shared with the Board. This preliminary presentation will be followed by construction drawings to be presented at next month's meeting.

A motion was made by Matt Chaliff. Anna Goff seconded the motion. All members present agreed.

C. Review/Approve Schematic Design Package for Mount Vernon Elementary Paving Project (BG 24-096)

A motion was made by Angie Woods. Anna Goff seconded the motion. All members present agreed.

D. Review/Approve the Adoption of the Board Resolution authorizing the Rockcastle County School District Finance Corporation (the "Corporation") to issue the Bonds and to enter into a lease with the Corporation

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, CONFIRMING THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN OFFER OF ASSISTANCE FROM THE KENTUCKY SCHOOL FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH SAID COMMISSION; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE ROCKCASTLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION AND ANY FURTHER NECESSARY INSTRUMENTS; APPROVING CERTAIN ARCHITECTS; PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A CERTAIN SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT; AND APPROVING THE PLAN OF FINANCING THE COST OF SAID PROJECT.

A motion was made by Anna Goff. Angie Wood seconded the motion. All members present agreed.

7. RECESS TO DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION MEETING

A motion was made by Matt Chaliff to recess to the District Finance Corporation meeting. Anna Goff seconded the motion. All members present agreed.

8. RECONVENE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

A motion was made by Matt Chaliff to reconvene the Board of Education meeting. Anna Goff seconded the motion. All members present agreed.

9. DISCUSSION/REVIEW:

- A. Review Superintendent's Personnel Action Report (Dr. Ballinger)

Chairperson Mink inquired about current vacancies. Dr. Ballinger stated that we are well staffed and currently only have one Certified position vacant.

10. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Mr. Reppert shared an update on the District attendance initiative. Mrs. Sweet stated that there is a federal grant opportunity that is being submitted on Thursday. Chairperson Mink concluded by thanking each Director for their continued dedication and work for Rockcastle County Schools.

11. SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION

Dr. Ballinger encouraged Board members to participate in a beneficial Lunch & Learn that was available on October 11. She briefly explained that the Rockcastle County Schools Community Based Accountability Action Plan was also available in the Board Resources GoogleDrive for their review. She continued by sharing her excitement with the participation of staff & community members in this process. The participants have committed to a year long process to see this through and will be coming back together in December to continue their work.

12. BOARD COMMENTS

- Matt Chaliff commented that it's Principal Appreciation month and he's encouraged by the social media posts recognizing each of our Principals.
- Angie Mink concluded with again thanking each person for their work and hopes that Fall Break was restful and rejuvenating for staff.

13. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Anna Goff to adjourn the meeting. Matt Chaliff seconded the motion. All present agreed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.