

RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS
(MINUTES)

SPRINGFIELD, KY MARCH 18, 2024 REGULAR SESSION/EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Washington County Board of Education met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on the 18th day of MARCH, 2024 at the Washington County TEL Center with the following members present:

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

Board Chair Curtis Hamilton led the Pledge of Allegiance and superintendent Dr. Robin Cochran read the mission statement. Mr. Hamilton welcomed all in attendance and proceeded with the meeting. He also acknowledged that March is Women's History Month, Youth Art Month, Music in Our Schools Month and National Reading Month.

Presentation – Update on English Learners Services & Support and Stronger Connection Grant Programming

WCS Instructional Supervisor Jami Reynolds and WCS Director of Special Education/Director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Amanda Mattingly gave a brief presentation on the district's efforts and successes with English Learner students and implementations under the Stronger Connections Grant.

Presentation - Postsecondary Data

WCHS principal Charlie Cox gave a brief presentation on the school's efforts to highlight postsecondary efforts and improve the data.

Legislative Liaison Report

Mr. Thompson reported that the House Education Committee and Senate Education Committee both met five times since the last board meeting. Two bills of significance that passed in committee during the last few days was the Senate Budget Bill and House Bill 2. The senate budget included a 4% increase in SEEK the first year and 2% the second. Transportation in the Senate's bill is not fully funded – 80% funded in the first year and 90% in the second year of the biennial. House Bill 2 is expected to pass both chambers and head to the voters this November to decide to amend the constitution to allow public funds to be used to support education outside public school systems. The session is winding down and is scheduled to end April 15, 2024.

Treasurer's Report

Board Meeting Date: 3/11/24

Balance Sheet

General Fund \$6,831,799.64
Special Revenue \$1,558,077.49
District Activity \$164,747.88
Student Activity \$187,606.28

Capital Outlay \$321,329.87
Building \$151,770.31
Construction \$7,748,778.17
Debt Service (\$121,688.58)
Food Service \$1,153,227.08
Day Care \$614,544.08
Scholarship \$5,087.22

General Fund:

General fund received \$9,651,315.24 in revenue and spent \$7,560,257.79 in expenditures.

Special Revenue Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures for salaries and fringe are \$1,630,417.63 and operational expenditures are \$1,001,590.90.

District Activity Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures are \$86,187.93.

Student Activity Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures are \$142,446.78.

Capital Outlay Fund & Building (FSPK) Fund:

We received \$77,600 in capital outlay funding and \$323,452 in state match FSPK funding and in property tax funding \$944,656. This will be used to offset the debt service.

Construction Fund:

Year to date we spent \$1,734,622.73 in construction funds.

Debt Service Fund:

Year-to-date principal and interest paid on debt is \$1,238,026.27.

Food Service Fund:

Total year-to-date receipts are \$1,235,841.30 and expenditures are \$1,184,364.02.

Day Care Fund:

Total year-to-date receipts are \$161,342.39 and expenditures are \$42,840.85.

Scholarship Fund:

No scholarships have been paid out this fiscal year.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Cochran gave an update to the board about water and sewer. She reported that WCHS administered the ACT to sophomores and juniors. She thanked the board for attending the KSBA Annual Conference earlier in the month. She updated the board on community meetings held by the district under the Kentucky Community Schools Initiative. She also spoke to the board about

the recent basketball district and region games, and she also spoke to the board about a leadership academy.

Student Learning and Support Services – Action by Consent

Bd. #24-023 – Upon motion of Carissa Harley and seconded by Ray Canterberry, the board approved, by a vote of 5-0, the following consent items:

- Approved minutes February 19, 2024 Regular Session/ExecutiveSession.
- Approved payment of bills as presented.
- Approved budget amendments as presented.
- Approved submitted donations made to Washington County Schools to date as presented:
 - Donation to NWES from Lebanon Aquatic Canter; \$50 gift certificate
 - Donation to NWES from Big Papa's Smokehouse; \$50 gift certificate
 - Donation to NWES from NWES PTO; \$495 for 8th grade t-shirts
 - Donation to NWES from BK Designs & Blanks; T-shirts for 8th graders
 - Donation to WCHS from Charities Aid Foundation of America; \$5.00
 - Donation to WCMS from Tim & Anna Cambron (Ruggles Sign); ACM Score Table
- Approved leave affidavits for unpaid days:
 - Cynthia Coulter – February 2 & 22, 2024 (2 days)
 - Kim Drury – March 18-20, 2024 (3 days)
- Approved to rescind unpaid days for Sarah Burns as presented (March 20-22, 2024).
- Approved School Activity Fund Fundraisers for WCES as presented.
- Approved Data Sharing Authorization Form with Curriculum Associates to share assessment data with KDE to evaluate effectiveness of the Kentucky Reading Academies
- Approved to participate in the study on Effects of Knowledge Translation Methods on VR Counselors Providing Pre-ETS to Youth with Significant Disabilities 14-16 Years of Age: A Pilot RCT.
- Approved Memorandum of Agreement Between Washington County Board of Education and Eastern Kentucky University for students teaching.
- Approved District Technology Plan as presented.
- Approved E-Rate Category 1 Bus Wi-Fi provider, pending bids and ERATE approval.
- Approved owner-contractor contract, KDE purchase order form and KDE purchase order summary, performance and payment bonds certificate of

liability insurance for Washington County High School Athletics project bid package for grandstands.

Student Learning and Support Services – Action, Potential Discussion

Bd. #24-024 - Upon motion of Jeremy Thompson and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 the following change:

1. Date of May Board Meeting
 - Option 1: Monday, May 13, 2024

Upon motion of Ray Canterbury and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0:

2. Releasing at 12:00 PM on April 8, 2024 due to total solar eclipse
 - Option 2: No

The Board was notified of the following personnel actions:

March Personnel Actions

Certified Employment:

Amanda Harmon – Substitute Teacher

Classified Employment:

Michael Ballard – District Wide Custodian

Coaches Employment:

Raymond Purdom – Freshman Baseball Coach (WCHS)

James Fletcher – Middle School Football Head Coach

Extra Services Employment:

Caleb Warren – Academic Team Assistant Coach (WCHS)

Nicole Wilson – ESS Teacher (WCHS)

Taylor Fields – ESS Teacher (WCHS)

Lori Dye – ESS Teacher (WCES)

Resignation:

Brian Powers – Substitute Teacher

Dorothy Blandford – Part Time Custodian

Trinity Baker – Freshman Softball Coach (WCHS)

Reprimands:

Nancy Hafley

Todd Shuck

Marty Wabnitz

EXECUTIVE SESSION – (KRS 61.810 (1)(c) – Pending Litigation

Bd. #24-025 – Upon motion of Ray Canterbury and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to enter into Executive Session (KRS 61.810(1)(c) for pending litigation.

Bd. #24-026 – Upon motion of Jeremy Thompson and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to exit Executive Session.

Bd. #24-027 – Upon motion of Carissa Harley and seconded by Ray Canterbury, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to carry out the action as discussed in Executive Session.

Bd. #24-028 – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Curtis Hamilton, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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

Approved:



Curtis Hamilton, Board Chair