

The McCreary County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at 6:30 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, Estle Swain and Superintendent, Paul B. Crawford. Also present were the media, school system staff and interested parties.

APPROVE AGENDA - #11241

A motion was made by Mr. Estle Swain and a second by Mr. Cody Perry to approve the agenda as presented. Members voted as follows:

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

COMMUNICATIONS - #11242

A. Prayer

Braxton King

B. Pledge

MCHS - JROTC - Aldon Phillips

C. Superintendent Communications

1. Recognize Stacey Hammons Service on the Board

At this time Mr. Crawford, thanked Stacey Hammons for her service on the Board and being in the group that hired him. He appreciates her service to the students in this district. He shared her time serving on the Board: She was appointed January 4, 2021, filling a vacant seat. Then on November 8, 2022, she was elected to complete the term through December 31, 2024. She has served four years and served as Vice-Chairman for the 2023 year. He thanked her for her service.

He also wanted to make mention of the Christmas cards our students work on that we send to staff and community stakeholders each year. He appreciates our talented students and showcasing their work.

He thanked Shane King, Food Service Director and his staff for providing a Christmas dinner for the Board Members. It was really good and they did a great job. He stated that our students should be very thankful for the food they prepare for them.

2. Annual School Reports

a. Pine Knot Intermediate School Annual Report

Pine Knot Intermediate School will present their annual report to the Board as directed by Board policy 02.44. This report shall describe the school's progress and goals set forth in KRS 158.649/KRS 158.6451/KRS 158.6453 and district goals established by the Board.

Dr. Cynthia Moore, Principal at Pine Knot Intermediate School, gave the annual report for her school. She stated that the Intermediate School was listed as a Blue School. She reviewed the Kentucky Summative Assessment in comparison to previous years. She reviewed the scores for Reading, Math, Social Studies, Science and Combined Writing. Her teachers know which students are in novice and what they need to move forward. She stated what their needs were and the goals they've set to meet these needs.

b. Pine Knot Primary School Annual Report

Pine Knot Primary School will present their annual report to the Board as directed by Board policy 02.44. This report shall describe the school's progress and goals set forth in KRS 158.649/KRS 158.6451/KRS 158.6453 and district goals established by the Board.

Mrs. Kathy Neal, Principal at Pine Knot Primary School, shared with the Board the Kentucky Summative Assessment for the Primary School which was listed as a Blue School. She reviewed the scores and what the school needs and the goals set to meet these needs.

c. Whitley City Elementary School Annual Report

Whitley City Elementary School will present their annual report to the Board as directed by Board policy 02.44. This report shall describe the school's progress and goals set forth in KRS 158.649/KRS 158.6451/KRS 158.6453 and district goals established by the Board.

Dr. Angela Loudermilk, Principal at Whitley City Elementary School, shared with the Board the Kentucky Summative Assessment results. She stated their school was a Green School. She shared the score for each subject and the comparison results from previous years. She reviewed the needs and the goals set to meet these needs.

D. Superintendent's Report on Personnel/Employment Authorization

The Board acknowledged receipt of Superintendent's Report on Personnel/Employment Authorization.

E. Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Tiffany Duvall, Finance Officer, shared November's monthly financial report. She shared the General Fund had a SEEK payment of \$1.347 million, Special Revenue had a Federal drawdown and Augment reimbursements, Capital Outlay had a transfer of local FSPK proceeds from fund 1 as required by KDE, Construction Fund had change associated with construction at MCMS, MCHS, and the Athletic Project, Food Service had reimbursements totaling \$287,000, with the ending balance being \$6.289 million.

F. Public Comments

No comments.

APPROVE ACTIONS BY CONSENT - #11243

A motion was made by Mr. Braxton King and a second by Mr. Cody Perry to approve the Actions by Consent as presented. Members voted as follows:

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

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

B. Approve Minutes

Special - November 18, 2024

C. Approve Payment of Bills and Claims

D. Approve Payment of Bills and Claims through the End of the Month

E. Approve Monthly Financial Report for the month ending, November 30, 2024

F. Approve Policy 09.423 Use of Alcohol, Drugs and Other Prohibited Substances Revision - 2nd Reading

G. Approve Special Education ARC District Representative for 2024-2025 Pine Knot Primary School: District Chair – Michelle Barnett

H. Approve Retract Former Section 504 Policy and Procedures

I. Approve Revised Section 504 Policy and Procedures

J. Approve Shortened School Days for (6) Six Students

K. Approve Grants

PKPS - Enhancing Math Proficiency through Technology Integration

DW - FY 25 Kentucky Comprehensive Literacy (KyCL) Grant

KyCL-The purpose of the Kentucky Comprehensive Literacy (KyCL) grant is to provide competitive grant funds to support public and state schools and participating early childhood partners to improve oral language, increase readiness for school, strengthen transitions between levels, and improve reading and writing instruction and student literacy outcomes.

MCCREARY COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL RENOVATION UPDATE - #11244

Mr. Jonathan Smith, Branscum Construction, gave an update on the middle school construction project. He shared that they are in the final stages of completion. He reviewed the final work that has been done and the small things that they will be finishing up.

MCCREARY CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL LAVEC PROJECT UPDATE - #11245

Mr. Smith gave an update on the LAVEC project at the high school. He shared the work that has been done and still needs to be finished. He stated that most of the work has been completed and turned over.

ATHLETIC PROJECT UPDATE - #11246

Mr. Crawford gave an update on the athletic project. He stated that final work is being done. There is still some fencing to be completed and we are waiting on the architect to complete some drawings.

APPROVE CHANGE ORDER (CO#4) HELLAS CONSTRUCTION FOR ATHLECTIC PROJECT - #11247

A motion was made by Mr. Johnny Barnett and a second by Mr. Cody Perry to approve the Change Order (CO #4) Hellas Construction for Athletic Project. Members voted as follows:

King – AYE; Hammons – AYE; Perry – AYE; Swan – AYE; Barnett – AYE

Hellas Construction - CO #4 - \$3,800.00

Mr. Crawford shared the changes that need to be made to the salary schedule. The high school needs an additional stipend for dual credit which will be paid out of SEEK funds, and GEAR UP is funding a substitute position for a high school Math tutor.

APPROVE REVISED SALARY SCHEUDLE - #11248

A motion was made by Mr. Braxton King and a second by Mr. Estle Swain to approve the Revised Salary Schedule. Members voted as follows:

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

Mrs. Duvall shared with the Board the 2023-2024 Financial Audit. She shared it was a clean audit with no findings or issues.

APPROVE 2023-2024 FINANCIAL AUDIT - #11249

A motion was made by Mr. Estle Swain and a second by Mr. Johnny Barnett to approve the 2023-2024 Financial Audit. Members voted as follows:

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

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURN - #11250

A motion was made by Mr. Braxton King and a second by Mr. Cody Perry to set the next meeting for Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. at the Board’s Central Office and to adjourn. Members voted as follows:

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

Chairman

Secretary