

MINUTES

Board of Education for the County of Mingo

110 Cinderella Road, Williamson, WV 25661

Special LSIC Meeting - held at Burch Pre K-8 School

February 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

I. Call to order

President Machel McCormick called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

All Board Members were present: Machel McCormick, President; John Preece, Vice President; Tom Slone, James Baisden, and Amy Dearfield-Hannah. Superintendent Dr. Johnny Branch was in attendance.

Members of the Press in attendance: Bruce Justice of the Mingo Messenger;

District Office staff in attendance: Beth Daniels, CSBO / Treasurer; (Chief School Business Officer); Kay Maynard, Director Child Nutrition & Wellness; Lesia Sammons, Coordinator of Guidance and Testing;

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Slone led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. 2022-2023 LSIC Reports

a. Williamson Pre K-8 School

There was a quorum Present to represent the school. Mr. Blackburn, Principal; Mitzi Cross, Teacher Grade 2; and Assistant Principal, Ralph Pyszkowski made the report. They shared test data, Math and ELA achievements, and strategies in place to make improvements in those areas and in Science. The reported things their school had in place to help student achievement. Social Emotional and Mental Health practices were shared as well as priority needs for their school facility.

b. Mingo Extended Learning Center

A quorum was not present, but the Board allowed the Mingo Extended Learning Center to make their report. Rachel Cantrell gave the presentation and Brandon Krise handled the electronics. They shared items they were proud of, including 100% of their Practical Nurses would be working upon graduation. The Mingo Extended Learning Center houses the Alternative Education Students, who work and complete the Edmentum curriculum. They reported what the Learning Process looked like including community service, clinicals, and the participation at our State and National Competitions. The Social Emotional and Mental Health of the students attending the Extended Learning Center were addressed.

c. Burch Pre K-8 School

There was a quorum present to represent the school. Principal, Paula Hinkle-Brown, made the presentation. Thomas Jude, music instructor, handled the electronics. She shared test score data and achievements in Math and ELA. There were strategies on how to make improvements in Math, ELA and Science. They reported programs they had in place to help students achieve success. They shared the Social Emotional and Mental health practices at their school. Priority needs for their school facility were also reported.

Nancy Slone

Executive Secretary to Superintendent
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48 **XI. Board Member Comment Period**

49 Each member had comments.

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51 **XII. Superintendent's Update**

52 Dr. Branch shared a few things including *Fast ForWord*, a new pilot taking place at Williamson Pre K-8
53 school that would help students with skills for reading and understanding. He spoke of projects that
54 were ongoing in the county.

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56 There would be a Special Workshop meeting on Monday February 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

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58 **XIII. Adjournment**

59 Mr. Baisden made the motion to adjourn. The time was 7:34 p.m.

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61 **Next Regular Meeting**

62 February 21, 2023