

The McCreary County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Board's Central Office. Chairman Barnett welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Present were Johnny Barnett, Braxton King, Cody Perry, Estle Swain, Andrew Sexton and Superintendent, Clint E. Taylor. Also present were the media, school system staff and interested parties.

APPROVE AGENDA - #11353

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

King – AYE; Sexton – AYE; Perry – AYE; Swain – AYE; Barnett – AYE

COMMUNICATIONS - #11354

A. Prayer

Braxton King

B. Pledge

Everyone said the pledge

C. Superintendent Communications

Dr. Taylor shared with the Board that he hired Mr. Jason Creekmore in the vacant Director of Districtwide Services position.

D. Superintendent's Report on Personnel/Employment Authorization

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

E. Treasurer's Report

Ms. Duvall shared with the Board for the month of August the General Fund received August SEEK payments, Special Revenue had 1st quarter State Grant Disbursement and Food Service received reimbursements totaling \$166,336.44 with the General Fund having an ending balance of \$9.968 million.

F. Public Comments

Ms. Yvonne Bryant of Pine Knot, KY, spoke regarding the parent pick-up route for PKIS. Spoke for 6 minutes

APPROVE ACTIONS BY CONSENT - #11355

A motion was made by Mr. Cody Perry and a second by Mr. Andrew Sexton to approve the actions by consent as presented. Members voted as follows:

Sexton – AYE; Perry – AYE; Swain – AYE; Barnett – AYE; King – AYE

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

B. Approve Minutes

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C. Approve Payment of Bills and Claims

D. Approve Monthly Financial Report for the month ending, August 31, 2025

E. Approve Elgin Foundation Transportation Reimbursement Agreement for 2025-2026

F. Approve Lake Cumberland Community Action Agency Head Start Childcare Food Program Meal Service Agreement for 2025-2026

G. Approve McCreary County Middle School Cheerleaders to form a Booster Club

H. Approve Shortened School Day/Week for (4) Four Students

I. Declare (3) Three Connex Boxes located at Central Office as Surplus

J. Approve Create (1) One Certified Math and (1) One Certified English Teacher/Tutor (Sub Positions) for McCreary Central High School contingent on funding from Gear Up (expected October 1st) and to update the Salary Schedule to include these two positions.

K. Approve Stipend \$50 per hour for Drug Counseling Session

Ms. Duvall presented the working budget to the Board. She reviewed the revenues and expenditures for: General Fund, Taxes, SBDM & Section 6, Special Revenues, Capital Outlay Revenue, Debt Service Funds and Food Service Funds.

APPROVE 2025-2026 WORKING BUDGET - #11356

A motion was made by Mr. Braxton King and a second by Mr. Estle Swain to approve the 2025-2026 Working Budget as presented. Members voted as follows:

Perry – AYE; Swain – AYE; Barnett – AYE; King – AYE; Sexton – AYE

Dr. Taylor shared with the Board that the Smithtown property has been in discussions for several years. He said that 2 years ago, information was sent to KDE (Kentucky Department of Education) regarding the Smithtown property. After discussions from previous meetings, the District decided to keep the property instead of selling it. He also shared that our insurance group has stated that this property is a liability for the district as it stands right now. Therefore, Dr. Taylor presented to the Board the option of tearing down and cleaning up the property. He shared some figures that had already been received about the cost ranging from \$20,000 to \$80,000 for this option. He asked the Board to consider approving to do an RFP for demolition and clean-up of the Smithtown property. He stated that maybe in the future this could be the site for a new Bus Garage.

APPROVE STARTING THE PROCESS OF TAKING SEALED BIDS FOR DEMOLITION AND CLEAN-UP OF SMITHTOWN PROPERTY - #11357

A motion was made by Mr. Braxton King and a second by Mr. Johnny Barnett to start the process for taking sealed bids for demolition and clean-up for the Smithtown Property. Members voted as follows:

Swain – AYE; Barnett – AYE; King – AYE; Sexton – AYE; Perry – AYE

APPROVE NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURN - #11358

A motion was made by Mr. Estle Swain and a second by Mr. Cody Perry to set the next meeting of the McCreary County Board of Education for Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Board's Central Office and to adjourn. Members voted as follows:

Barnett – AYE; King – AYE; Sexton – AYE Perry – AYE; Swain – AYE

Chairman

Secretary