

MINUTES for Amended Agenda
Board of Education for the County of Mingo
110 Cinderella Road, Williamson, WV 25661

Regular Meeting
October 21, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

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I. Call to order

Vice President David Jewell called the meeting to order. The time was 5:00 p.m.

Board Members present: Tom Slone, President attended by phone; David Jewell, Vice President; John W. Preece; Braydan Goff, and Deanna Wellman. Superintendent, Dr. Joetta Basile was in attendance.

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

Central Office Staff in attendance: Patrick Billips, Coordinator of Technology; Anna Cline, Assistant Superintendent; Beth Daniels, CSBO / Treasurer; (Chief School Business Officer); Mark Dean, Director of CTE/Secondary/Post-Secondary Learning; William Hensley, Director of Maintenance; Kay Maynard, Director Child Nutrition & Wellness; Lesia Sammons, Coordinator of Guidance and Testing; Virginia Taylor-Mounts, Technology Integration Facilitator; Christie Tilley, Coordinator of Parent Involvement; Janet Varney, Director of Special Education; Leah Wireman, Director of Human Resources

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Deanna Wellman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Mission Statement

Mr. Braydan Goff read the Mission Statement.

Mingo County Board of Education (MCBOE) and the Mingo County School District (MCSD) work collaboratively to establish policies and procedures, to implement research-based instructional strategies, to provide a safe and secure environment, and to grow a portfolio of services and resources to teach our learners, to support them toward achievement and accomplishment, to contribute to the wellness of the whole child including physical, emotional, and mental health, all to create pathways to success in continued education and career.

IV. Delegations

Tyler Hager spoke regarding his child and the administration at Williamson Pre K-8. He brought one petition.

V. Special Recognition

1. WVGSA Highest Performers Grades 3-8 and 11

Mrs. Lesia Sammons presented certificates to students who scored the highest in the county on the WV General Summative Assessment and the SAT tests. These students showed outstanding academic excellence and demonstrated intelligence and dedication. These students spanned grades three through eight, and eleven. The subjects tested were English and Math

WVGSA Highest Performers Grades 3-8 and Highest Performers on the SAT Grade 11			
Student	Grade	School	Achievement
Jekanoski, Robert	3	Matewan Pre K-8	English and Math
Dingess, Lilly	4	Kermit Pre K-8	English
Etters, Adelyn	4	Lenore Pre K-8	Math
Gilman, Jasmine	5	Lenore Pre K-8	English
Belcher, Bruce	5	Burch Pre K-8	Math
Varney, Wyatt	6	Kermit Pre K-9	English and Math
Dotson, Ashton	7	Gilbert Pre K-8	English
Belcher, Abigail	7	Burch Pre K-8	Math
Smith, Parker	8	Kermit to TVHS	Math
Ward, Sophie	8	Williamson to MCHS	English
Fields, Alison	11	Tug Valley High	SAT English
Grubb, Chase	11	Tug Valley High	SAT English and Math

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VI. Department Reports/Updates (Information of interest to WVDE, BOE, Schools, and Public)

1. The Attendance report was given by Mrs. Wireman. We are trending in the wrong direction. The second month attendance was also trending low.
 2. Mr. Dean gave a CTE update. The CTE efficiency indicators for the county were 94 out of 100. Our county will be piloting an Aviation program for middle schools. Students would have at least 45 hours of hands-on learning. The participating schools would be Kermit, Williamson and Gilbert.
 3. Mrs. Kay Maynard discussed Child Nutrition. There would be a WVDE review next week. We did receive backpack funding again this year. Christie Tilley, the PERK people and CIS workers, pack 450-475 backpacks per week – in conjunction with Facing Hunger Food Bank. Grants had been received from the American Dairy Association. The Wellness Committee had a recent meeting.
 4. Mrs. Sammons spoke regarding the beginning of the year's benchmark. Benchmark assessments are tools used to help us understand where students are starting academically. Those tools are used to guide our instructional planning. Already this year we tested students in grades K-2 using the i-Ready program, and the Cambium program was used for grades three through eight. This fall, the PSAT will be used for grades 9-11. Each of these assessments align with our grade level standards. Those who have been tested so far this year were below grade level expectations. This allows us to tailor our instruction and classroom interventions to meet their needs. She explained her handout.
- Ashton Dotson, from Gilbert Pre K-8, arrived late and was recognized for the highest 7th grade score in the county in English Language Arts. He was awarded a certificate, and pictures were made.

VII. Superintendent Update

Dr. Basile recognized our employees. She is seeing improvements in the county for all the hard work that had been going on. October 1 child count was submitted, current enrollment was 3,256 – down 100 students from October 1 of last year. The county Operational Effectiveness Indicators for 2024-2025 had been received. The county is on *watch* for attendance and on *track-to-graduation*. We are in *needs support* for math achievement. There were no *intensive support* indicators. We were in *needs*

79 assistance for County Board of Education member effectiveness and facilities. We will work to improve
80 on all those items throughout the year and get the district off of those lists. Finance was finishing up
81 sending documentation in for the Financial Monitoring. She met with the School Building Authority that
82 day to discuss the HVAC project at Lenore. Superintendent interviews were to be held in early
83 November, and projects chosen for funding would be announced in December. She thanked the SBA for
84 visiting our county to visit our project. She had received information regarding Federal grants from the
85 State Department. There had been some Special Education funding from October 1, 2025 – September
86 30, 2026. ESBA programs including Title I, II, III, IV, IV-b, and V for the period October 1, 2025 –
87 September 30, 2027. The funding would be on a reimbursement basis. Child nutrition funding had been
88 received through November 2025.

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90 Dr. Basile announced that each of the following had been approved by the State Superintendent's office.
91 She read through and highlighted each of them.

92 **VIII. Action Items Submitted to the State Superintendent for Approval**

93 **All items had been approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools.**

- 94 a. Approval of the Minutes for September 16, 2025
95 b. Approval of the Minutes for September 23, 2025

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97 **A. PLACEMENT/AGREEMENT**

- 98 1. This item was approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools.
99 Placement Agreement between Mingo County Board of Education and **Western**
100 **Governors University** for Student teachers.
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102 2. This item was approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools.
103 Agreement between Mingo County Board of Education and **Rodney McCoy** to provide
104 financial support services to the Mingo County Schools Finance office on an as needed
105 basis during the transition process. Funding Source: County - \$90 per hour as needed
106 per term of contract.

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108 **B. MOUs / Agreements**

- 109 1. This item was approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools.
110 Agreement between **Business Associate** and the Mingo County Board of Education to
111 offer FBMC Benefits to Employees.
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113 2. This item was approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools.
114 Grant Agreement between the **West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission**
115 **West Virginia Gear Up** and Mingo County Board of Education / Local Educational
116 Agency intended to increase the number of students who are prepared to enter and
117 succeed in post-secondary education.
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119 3. This item was approved by the State Superintendent on October 1, 2025.
120 Agreement between the **Mountain State Educational Services Cooperative (ESC)** and
121 Mingo County Board of Education to provide classroom technical assistance services
122 for the 2025-2026 school year.
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124 4. This item was approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools.
125 MOU with **Vector Solutions** and Mingo County Board of Education for training, safety
126 and compliance, plus annual subscription, evaluations, observations.

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5. This item was approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools. MOU with **Marshall University** and Mingo County Board of Education for the Marshall Direct Program to be offered to high school seniors. Dr. Basile was pleased that Mingo County was selected for this program. Our high school seniors would be guaranteed admission to Marshall University.

C. Contracts

1. This item was approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools. Contract with **D&D Sports Network** and Mingo County Board of Education/Mingo Central Comprehensive High School for the streaming of Basketball and Football games.

D. POLICIES – Final Approval

Policies were approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools. These policies had been out on a 30-day comment period. No comments had been received.

(A) 5111 Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students for Enrollment

(B) 5113 Open Enrollment for Nonresident Students

(C) 5113.02 School Choice Options

(D) 5120 School Attendance Areas

(E) 5340 Student Accidents/Cardiac Arrest

(F) 5350 Suicide Prevention

(G) 5421 Grading

(H) 5511 Dress and Grooming

(I) 5540 The Schools and Community Agencies

(J) 5600 Student Discipline

(K) 5611 Discipline – Student Due Process Rights

(L) 5630.01 Use of Restraint

(M) 5722 School – Sponsored Student Media

(N) 8510 Wellness Policy

(O) Dual Credit Policy

(P) 5136 Personal Electronic Devices

E. Out-of-State Travel

1. This item was approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools. Out-of-State travel for the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent to attend the **National Association of School Administrator's Conference** in Nashville, TN 2/10/26-2/14/26
2. This item was approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools. Out-of-State Travel for **Williamson Pre K-8 students** who were Proficient on last year's Summative State Assessment. Several from grades 4-8 would be traveling to **Malibu Jacks in Ashland, KY on 10-30-25**. Funding Source: Step VII.

IX. Finances Submitted to the State Superintendent for Approval

(Invoices are available for review at the Central Office, direct inquiries to Beth Daniels 304 235-3333 ext. 7130)

All items have been approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools.

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1. Bills, Transfers, Supplements

a. Payment of Bills

Bills presented for approval through September 25, 2025. The invoice list is available for review during public hours two business days prior to the meeting.

Fund	Amount
Fund 11	\$ 540,419.49
Fund 41	\$ -
Fund 51	\$ -
Fund 61	\$ 170,182.48

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b. Budget Transfers

Budget Transfers presented for approval.

Transfers	
1	\$107,486.00
Total	\$107,486.00

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c. Budget Supplements

Budget Supplements presented for approval

Supplements	
1	\$131,000.00
2	\$38,654.67
3	\$41,015.00
4	\$1,286,923.77
5	\$9,721,344.72
6	\$15,561.00
7	\$1,268,528.63
8	\$419,194.51
9	\$230,125.43
10	\$335,522.29
11	\$1,102,441.44
Total	\$14,590,311.46

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X. Personnel

All items have been approved through the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools.

The Superintendent respectfully requests approval of the Personnel list.

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1. PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL

a. New Employment Into Existing Position

- i. Jessica Cline Teacher / Special Education Mingo Central High School (effective October 22, 2025)
- ii. Logan Smith Substitute Teacher Mingo County Schools (effective October 22, 2025)
- iii. Makayla May Substitute Teacher Mingo County Schools (effective October 22, 2025) **RESTRICTED**

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- 200 iv. Peggy Hannah Davis Substitute Teacher Mingo County Schools
- 201 (effective October 22, 2025)
- 202 v. Cynthia Cisco Substitute Teacher Mingo County Schools (effective
- 203 October 22, 2025)
- 204 vi. Hattie Newsome Substitute Teacher Mingo County Schools
- 205 (effective October 22, 2025)
- 206 vii. Randi Brewster Substitute Teacher Mingo County Schools (effective
- 207 October 22, 2025) **RESTRICTED**
- 208 viii. Deysha Smith Substitute Teacher Mingo County Schools (effective
- 209 October 22, 2025)
- 210 ix. Kaylan Christine Hall Substitute Teacher Mingo County schools
- 211 (effective October 22, 2025)
- 212 x. Ruby Paige Substitute Teacher Mingo County Schools (effective
- 213 October 22, 2025)
- 214 xi. Linda Mounts Substitute Teacher Mingo County Schools (effective
- 215 October 22, 2025) **RESTRICTED**
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217 **b. Transfer Into Existing Position**

- 218 i. Patrick James Billips Teacher / Special Education Burch PK8 to
- 219 Teacher / Special Education Mingo Central High School (effective
- 220 July 1, 2026)
- 221 ii. Walt Cline Teacher / Special Education Gilbert PK8 to Teacher /
- 222 Gifted and Coordinator of Special Education Transitions (effective
- 223 July 1, 2026)
- 224 iii. Ashley White Erwin Assistant Principal Kermit PK8 to Principal Kermit
- 225 PK8 (effective October 7, 2025)
- 226 iv. Susan Nicole Clevenger Teacher / Grade 4 Lenore PK8 to Teacher /
- 227 Grade 2 Lenore PK8 (effective July 1, 2026)
- 228 v. Alicen White Teacher / Grade 5 Dingess Elementary to Teacher /
- 229 Kindergarten Lenore PK8 (effective July 1, 2026)
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231 **c. Resignation**

- 232 i. Rodney McCoy Professional Account Mingo County Schools
- 233 (effective October 17, 2025)
- 234 ii. Sandra Runyon Substitute Teacher Mingo County Schools (effective
- 235 September 12, 2025)
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237 **d. Request for Leave**

- 238 i. Koneta Starr Collins Teacher / Grade 3 Burch PK8 September 30,
- 239 2025 -November 13, 2025 (**Birth, Maternity, Bonding**)
- 240 ii. Whitney Poe Teacher / Grade 5 Gilbert PK8 (effective September
- 241 26 – November 14, 2025) (**Birth , Maternity, Bonding**)
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243 **e. Three Step Pay (math, special education and speech) for the 2025-2026**

- 244 i. Stephanie Poe Gilbert PK8
- 245 ii. Lakeshia Hatfield Gilbert PK8
- 246 iii. Whittani Kirk Gilbert PK8
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2. PROFESSIONAL EXTRACURRICULAR ASSIGNMENTS

a. New Employment for School Year 2025-2026

- i. Crystal Canterbury Assistant Coach / Volleyball Lenore PK8 (effective September 23, 2025)
- ii. Michael Sartin Assistant Coach / Volleyball Lenore PK8 (effective October 22, 2025)
- iii. Jeff Varney Assistant Coach / Football Lenore PK8 (effective September 23, 2025)
- iv. Jeremy Wellman Assistant Coach / Football Lenore PK8 (effective September 23, 2025)
- v. Barbara Fields Student Assistant Team Attendance Matewan PK8 (effective October 22, 2025)
- vi. Caitlyn Albaugh Coach / Girls Soccer Williamson PK8 (effective October 22, 2025)
- vii. Summer Pruitt Yearbook Sponsor Burch PK8 (Effective October 22, 2025)
- viii. Rebecca Keatley Coach / Cheer Matewan PK8 (effective October 22, 2025)
- ix. Mike Smith Assistant Coach / Boys Basketball Mingo Central High School (paid) (effective October 22, 2025)
- x. Phillip Mitchell Assistant Coach / Boys Basketball Mingo Central High School (paid) (effective October 22, 2025)
- xi. Andrea Clark AP Coordinator Mingo Central High School (effective October 22, 2025)
- xii. Tina Trent Athletic Director Gilbert PK8 (effective October 22, 2025)
- xiii. Karlie Carter Assistant Coach / Soccer Tug Valley High School (effective October 22, 2025)
- xiv. Lisa Vance Student Assistance Team Attendance Dingess Elementary (effective October 22, 2025)
- xv. Randall Lackey Assistant Coach / Softball Tug Valley High School (zero comp) (effective October 22, 2025)

b. Resignation

- i. Bryna Jewell Simulated Workplace Coach Tug Valley High School (effective October 3, 2025)
- ii. Kim Davis- Smith Coach / Girls Basketball Mingo Central High School (effective October 13, 2025)

3. SERVICE PERSONNEL

a. New Employment into Existing Position

- i. Makenna Hurley Cook III Burch PK8 (effective October 22, 2025)
- ii. Amanda Brown Substitute Aide Mingo County Schools (October 22, 2025)
- iii. Diana Francis Substitute Aide Mingo County Schools (October 22, 2025)
- iv. Conda Dotson Substitute Aide Mingo County Schools (October 22, 2025)

- 295 v. Kayla Flemming Substitute Aide Mingo County Schools (October 22,
296 2025)
- 297 vi. Sandra Runyon Substitute Aide Mingo County Schools (October 22,
298 2025)
- 299 vii. David Wolford Substitute Aide Mingo County Schools (October 22,
300 2025)
- 301 viii. Selicity Baisden Substitute Aide Mingo County Schools (October 22,
302 2025)
- 303 ix. Angelia Bragg Substitute Aide Mingo County Schools (October 22,
304 2025)
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306 **b. Transfer into Existing Position**

- 307 i. Yvonna Vance Cook II Dingess Elementary to Cook III Dingess
308 Elementary School (effective October 22, 2025)

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310 **c. Resignation**

- 311 i. Amanda Brown Substitute Cook Mingo County Schools (effective
312 September 12, 2025)
- 313 ii. Kayla Collins Substitute Cook Mingo County Schools (effective
314 September 15, 2025)
- 315 iii. Heather Newsome LPN Mingo County Schools (effective October
316 22, 2025)
- 317 iv. Brandi Steele LPN / AIDE Mingo County Schools (effective October
318 24, 2025)
- 319 v. Tonya Jones Aide / ECCAT Matewan PK8 (effective October 13,
320 2025)
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322 **d. Request for Leave of Absence**

- 323 i. Martha Maynard Aide / Autism Mentor Tug Valley High School
324 (effective September 12 -October 27, 2025)
- 325 ii. Ruth Kirk Aide / Autism Mentor Tug Valley High School (effective
326 September 25 – October 3, 2025)
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328 **e. Abolish Position**

- 329 i. Aide/ Autism Mentor Burch PK8 (effective October 22, 2025)
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331 **4. Volunteers**

- 332 i. Makala Richardson
- 333 ii. Michael Sartin
- 334 iii. Courtney Blankenship
- 335 iv. Brittany Perry
- 336 v. Stephanie Butcher
- 337 vi. Sherry Britt
- 338 vii. Shiley Lester
- 339 viii. Kayla Ellis
- 340 ix. Kayla Flemming
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343 **XI. Adjournment**
344 Mr. Preece made the motion to adjourn. Mrs. Wellman seconded that motion.
345 The time was 5:49 p.m.
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347 **Next Regular Meeting**
348 *November 18, 2025*



Superintendent, Dr. Joetta Basile 11-18-2025 Date
Minutes approved 11-18-25