

Boyd County Board of Education Regular Board Meeting

April 28, 2026 6:00 PM
Boyd County Middle School
1226 Summit Road
Ashland, Ky 41102

Attendance Taken at 5:55 PM:

Present Board Members:

Ms. Linda Day
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr
Mr. Michael Blankenship
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn

Absent Board Members:

Mrs. Lisa Wallin

1. Call Meeting to Order

Time: 6:00pm

2. Pledge to the United States Flag

3. Reading of the Board Goals

"All students will be active self-motivated life-long learners."

"All students will graduate and demonstrate the skills and the knowledge to support productive citizenship."

4. Adoption of the Agenda

Order #00181 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr and a second by Ms. Cynthia VanHorn.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship	Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn	Yes

5. Student/Staff Presentations/Recognitions

5.1. Superintendent Boblett and Assistant Superintendent Spade will recognize the Technology Student Association winners, Chase Morris, Gage Cox, Kaleb Kirk, advisors Andrea Dixon and Maria Ousley.

5.2. Superintendent Boblett and Assistant Superintendent Spade will recognize Boyd County Middle School Academic Team Allie Jackson, Cam Malone, Sean White, Issac Calhoun, Ben Smith, and Paxton Hilal. Coaches Andy Lyon, Bethany Crouch, Tom Stafford, Ken Osborne, Eliot Jacobs, and Erica Pierce.

5.3. Superintendent Boblett and Assistant Superintendent Spade will recognize the Academic Quick Recall team Allie Jackson, Cam Malone, Sean White, Isaac Calhoun, and Ben Smith along with Coaches Andy Lyon, Bethany Crouch, and Boyd County alumna Maggie Kinnel who served as the official for each level of the Governor's Cup competition.

These recognitions will be moved to the May BOE meeting.

5.4. Superintendent Boblett and Assistant Superintendent Spade will recognize Boyd County Middle School archery team Gryffen Terry 1st in state and 5th in nation. Easton Seator 59th in state and Madi Eastham is ranked 81st. Along with coaches Bill Criss and Maria Ousley, Assistant Coach Bill and Melissa Kreger, and Shane Lawson. Each member of the team includes Abbriella Adkins, Brooke Davidson, Braxton Eastham, Madalyn Eastham, Jackson Hutsonpillar, Henley Jerrell, Mason Kreger, Wyatt Lawson, Zachary Lucas, Jerrod Masters, Jase McKinley, Hudson Moore, Madilyn Mullins, Sophia Patton, Braelynn Pendleton, Garen Price, Austin Rogers, Raelee Rogers, Easton Seator, Ellery Sizemore, Eli Slone, Jake Stewart, Gryffen Terry, and Baylee Woolum.

5.5. Superintendent Boblett and Assistant Superintendent Spade will recognize Stacy Adkins, Stacy Brock, Laney Thompson, Sarah Slone along with teachers Shelby Chaney, Brianna Davis, for being selected for the "Be The Example" award. Certificates were presented to Be The Example Employees.

6. Request to Address Board Chair - Per Board Policy 01.421 and KRS 160.270 (Public Comment)

Please keep in mind the Board uses the public comment period as an opportunity to listen to citizen concerns and comments. The board will not debate issues or enter a question-and-answer dialogue. Under Board policy, your comments are limited to 3 minutes, the Superintendent will track the time.

We had one person who spoke about concerns.

7. Dialogue

7.1. Susan Campbell speaking about Catlettsburg Baseball Fields

Mrs. Campbell spoke about the Catlettsburg Baseball fields. She stated all the improvements that the city has done. She stated they have installed lighting with grants from Marathon. New score boards have been put into place. They have a new press box, along with new track lighting. She stated there will be new fencing going up around the little field and the senior fields as well. She also stated they have hired 2 positions for the concession stand. Mrs. Campbell Stated she would like to have the field Leased to the City so they can take over the maintenance. They are as of now keeping the upkeep and doing all the improvements.

7.2. Lucas Eichenberger, EIT CMTA Energy Solutions; to discuss year 1 energy savings report.

Mr. Eichenberger started off with a scope overview of the projects and renovations that has been done to Catlettsburg, Cannonsburg and the BCTC buildings. New 215.55 kw solar array at BCHS, New 49.95 kw solar array at BCMS, New 50.4 kw solar array at Cannonsburg Elementary, New 50.4 kw solar array at Summit Elementary, New 51.75 kw solar array at BCHS Football Fieldhouse. and new window at Catlettsburg. With a total year 1 utility savings of \$294,233-year 1 guaranteed savings of \$227,349. That is \$66,884 excess savings with a 29%. Mr. Eichenberger stated with the investment tax credit we have a savings of \$138,403 in the year of 2023 and \$206,782 savings in the year 2024.

7.3. Monthly Budget Update Tiffany Brooks, District Finance Director

Mrs. Brooks stated Beginning balance for the year \$ 1,456,872.53. Total GF revenue for the month of March was \$1,666,319.00Total receipts for the year are \$20,971,738.28 or about 64.77% of what we are budgeted to receive. Expenditures for the month were \$1,988,222.27. Total expenditures for the year are \$18,664,263.27 or about 55.16%. Of the total expenditures for the year, 12.7 million has been spent by our schools. This includes payroll not just purchases. The next greatest expenditures fall to our building operations & maintenance (which includes utilities).

8. Reports/Communications

8.1. Safe Schools Report - Pete Fraley, Safe School Director

8.2. Transportation Report - Rebecca Yates, Transportation Administrative Secretary

8.3. Maintenance Report - Bob Higginbotham, Director of Operations, Facilities, and Transportation.

8.4. Student Attendance - Month - Dr. Marci Prater, Director of Pupil Personnel

8.5. Policies and Procedures for Review

8.5.1. Policies and Procedures for Review -

Chapter 9, Students:

09.13 Equal Educational Opportunities, 09.121 Entrance Age, 09.123 Absences and Excuses, 09.2 Student Welfare and Wellness, 09.22 Student Health and Safety, 09.221 Supervision of Students, 09.226 Conduct on School Bus, 09.2211 Employee Reports of Criminal Activity, 09.42 Student Conduct, Access to Electronic Media 08.2323

8.6. Follow-up

8.7. Board Member Follow-Up

9. Action Items

9.1. Review and approve Superintendent's recommendation to accept the Catlettsburg Lease Agreement. (See attachments)

Order #00182 - Motion Passed: Consider and approve Superintendent's recommendation to accept the Catlettsburg Lease Agreement. (See attachments) passed with a motion by Ms. Cynthia VanHorn and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship	Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn	Yes

9.2. Review Superintendents recommendation to approve the revision to be effective 5/4/26, classified salary schedule (Sub Bus Driver) (See attachments)

Order #00183 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendents recommendation to approve the revision to be effective 5/4/26, classified salary schedule (Sub Bus Driver) (See attachments) passed with a motion by Mr. Michael Blankenship and a second by Ms. Cynthia VanHorn.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship	Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn	Yes

9.3. Review Superintendents recommendation to update the job description for the DPP to reflect the current contract of 234 days. (See attachments)

Order #00184 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendents recommendation to update the job description for the DPP to reflect the current contract of 234 days. (See attachments) passed with a motion by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr and a second by Ms. Cynthia VanHorn.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship	Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn	Yes

9.4. Pursuant to KRS 160.340 review Board Administrative Procedure Update (08.2323 AP.1) as presented by Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA); The procedure is being changed to include a section outlining the expectations when using AI for both students and staff. (See Attachments)

Order #00185 - Motion Passed: Consider Pursuant to KRS 160.340 review Board Administrative Procedure Update (08.2323 AP.1) as presented by Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA); The procedure is being changed to include a section outlining the expectations when using AI for both students and staff. (See Attachments) passed with a motion by Ms. Cynthia VanHorn and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship	Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn	Yes

9.5. Review Superintendents recommendation to add a section on Artificial Intelligence (AI) use to the district procedure.

Order #00186 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendents recommendation to add section on Artificial Intelligence (AI) use to the district procedure. passed with a motion by Mr. Michael Blankenship and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship	Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn	Yes

9.6. Review Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) Program and Boyd County High School for the 2026-2027 school year; (See Attachment)

Order #00187 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) Program and Boyd County High School for the 2026-2027 school year passed with a motion by Ms. Cynthia VanHorn and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship	Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn	Yes

9.7. Review request from Dara'Su Williams, Special Education Director, to approve a shortened Schedule for Student #1, K student at Cannonsburg Elementary School, and Student #2, 6th Grade Student at BCMS and Student #3 at BCMS in accordance with appropriate documentation and per requirement of Kentucky Department of Education procedures; (See Attachments)

Order #00188 - Motion Passed: Consider request from Dara'Su Williams, Special Education Director, to approve a shortened Schedule for Student #1, K student at Cannonsburg Elementary School, and Student #2, 6th Grade Student at BCMS and Student #3 at BCMS in accordance with appropriate documentation and per requirement of Kentucky Department of Education procedures; (See Attachments) passed with a motion by Mr. Michael Blankenship and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent

Mr. Michael Blankenship Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn Yes

9.8. Review Superintendent recommendation to approve the nonfederal share, current year cost allocation plan and application and budget narrative for the FY 2026-27 Head Start refunding application presented by Stephanie Lyons; Director Boyd County Early Childhood Academy (see attachments)

Order #00189 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendent recommendation to approve the nonfederal share, current year cost allocation plan and application and budget narrative for the FY 2026-27 Head Start refunding application (see attachments) passed with a motion by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr and a second by Ms. Cynthia VanHorn.

Ms. Linda Day Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn Yes

9.9. Review Superintendents recommendation for approval to use emergency certified substitute teachers during the 2026-2027 school year.

Order #00190 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendents recommendation for approval to use emergency certified substitute teachers during the 2026-2027 school year. passed with a motion by Mr. Michael Blankenship and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn Yes

9.10. Review Superintendents recommendation to accept the 2025-2026 auditor's contract and quote. (See attachments)

Order #00191 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendents recommendation to accept the 2025-2026 auditor's contract and quote. (See attachments) passed with a motion by Ms. Cynthia VanHorn and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn Yes

9.11. Review Superintendent's recommendation to approve the District Bid Vendor List for 2026-2027 (see attachment)

Order #00192 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendent's recommendation to approve the District Bid Vendor List for 2026-2027 (see attachment) passed with a motion by Mr. Michael Blankenship and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn Yes

9.12. Review Superintendents recommendation to accept KDE's AED Grant to be used to purchase 2 AEDs.

Order #00193 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendents recommendation to accept KDE's AED Grant to be used to purchase 2 AEDs. passed with a motion by Ms. Cynthia VanHorn and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship	Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn	Yes

9.13. Review the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Application for Adjunct Instructor Certificate for Tabatha Smith Selvage, Sports Medicine, at Boyd County High School for school year 2026-2027; (See Attachment)

Order #00194 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendent's recommendation to approve an Application for Adjunct Instructor Certificate for Tabatha Smith Selvage, Sports Medicine, at Boyd County High School for school year 2026-2027 passed with a motion by Mr. Michael Blankenship and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship	Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn	Yes

10. Consent Items

Order #00195 - Motion Passed: Consider superintendent's recommendation to approve consent items as listed passed with a motion by Mr. Michael Blankenship and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

Ms. Linda Day	Yes
Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr	Yes
Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Absent
Mr. Michael Blankenship	Yes
Ms. Cynthia VanHorn	Yes

10.1. Consider Financial Report - Tiffany Brooks, District Finance Director

10.2. Consider Payment of Bills - Corey Withrow, Accounts Payable Director

10.3. Consider Minutes of a regular board meeting of March 24, 2026 and Tentative Budget Meeting March 28, 2026.

10.4. Pursuant to Board Policy 02.423, Consider minutes of the School Based Decision-Making Councils as listed below:

Summit Elementary April 1st, 2026 SBDM regular board meeting reports;

ECA Policy Council Meeting Reports March 13, 2026;

Cannonsburg Elementary April 13, 2026 SBDM regular board meeting reports;

Boyd County High School April 13, 2026 regular board meeting reports;

ECA Policy Council Meeting Reports April 3, 2026;

A copy of the minutes of each council meeting shall be forwarded by the Principal to the Superintendent who shall keep the Board informed of council actions.

10.5. Consider Superintendent's recommendation to approve Trip Request from Paige Livengood, Ponderosa Elementary, for the 5th Grade to travel to King's Island, Mason, Ohio by charter bus May 27, 2026; (See attachments)

10.6. Consider a trip request for BCMS 6th grade to travel to Go Mart Ballpark for a baseball game 5-27-26.

10.7. Consider a trip request for BCMS 7th grade to travel to Spare Time in Ironton Ohio on 5-27-26 for their end of the year trip.

10.8. Consider a fundraiser request for BCHS Alison Bays to sell pop, popcorn, variety of snacks. All money received will help with PBIS rewards to benefit students. (See attachments)

10.9. Consider a fundraiser request for BCHS Girls Soccer to sell refreshments, accept camp registration, business sponsors, and collect donations for the team, all money will benefit the soccer team.

10.10. Consider a fundraiser request for BCHS Boys Golf Booster Club to sell t shirts and reverse raffle tickets. All money will go to uniforms and entry fees for the Golf Team.

10.11. Review the recommendation of Kelly Fox Principal at Boyd County High School to approve a Building Utilization Request from Susan Kenser to use Boyd County High School Commons Area on May 9, 2026 from 11:00am-5:00pm for a baby shower; (See attachments)

11. Acknowledge Personnel Actions by Chairperson

12. Focus of Business/Topics for Next Meeting

12.1. Next Board Meeting is Tuesday May 26, 2026 @ 6pm BCHS

12.2. Discuss the Elementary / Head Start Dialogue SBDM meeting. Date TBA

13. Adjourn

Time: 6:45pm

Order #00196 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr and a second by Ms. Cynthia VanHorn.

Ms. Linda Day Yes

Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr Yes

Mrs. Lisa Wallin Absent

Mr. Michael Blankenship Yes

Ms. Cynthia VanHorn Yes

Linda Day, Chairperson

William L. Boblett, Jr., Superintendent