Robertson County Board of Education
Special Board Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2026
6:00 pm

Present: Board Members – John Burns- Chair, Marsha Jones- Vice Chair, Wendell Haag, Darlene Gifford, Brandy Sutton, Superintendent/Interim Principal – Dr. Sanford Holbrook, Treasurer – Tracy Teegarden, Assistant Superintendent/D.P.P. – Aaron Massey, Academic Dean of Students—Deana Rosenthal

Others-Olivia Williams, Emma Jo Adkins, Aubrey Richmond, Lillath Allen, Lauren Hughes, Billie Jo Gifford, and Pearl Adkins.

Meeting was called to order by John Burns at 6:01 pm. All board members present.

ADOPT AGENDA
BOARD ITEM 42026-1
Motion was made by Mrs. Gifford and seconded by Mrs. Sutton to approve agenda.
VOTE: 5-0

RECOGNIZE STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The following students of the month were recognized for April 2026: Wyatt Mains, Olivia Williams, Emma Jo Adkins, Bradley Virga, Aubrey Richmond, Lacie Eggleston, Kierah Crump, Lillath Allen, Olivia Buckler, Bentley Cook, Allie Myers, Carly Smith, Tyler Tilton, Samuel Courtney

MOTION TO RECESS
BOARD ITEM 42026-2
Motion was made by Mrs. Jones and seconded by Mr. Haag to recess for three minutes.
VOTE: 5-0

REPORTS

DEAN OF STUDENTS' REPORT- Deana Rosenthal
Mrs. Rosenthal, Dean of Students, presented to the Board that the end of year I-ready testing will be soon. High school students will take a different test at the end of April instead of I-ready.

INSTRUCTIONAL SUPERVISOR/COLLEGE AND CAREER DIRECTOR REPORT- Shanda Gay
Mr. Shanda, Instructional Supervisor, presented to the Board that 94.7% of students are currently college and career ready.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT/D.P.P.'S REPORT-Aaron Massey
Mr. Massey, D.P.P./Assistant Superintendent, presented to the Board that enrollment is 397 for K-12 and a total of 431 including preschool. The YTD attendance percentage is 94.21%.

FINANCE OFFICER'S REPORT- Tracy Teegarden
Ms. Teegarden, Finance Officer, presented to the Board the total fund-ending cash balance at the end of March 31, 2026, and the general fund 1 ending cash balance as of March 31, 2026. The finance department stated that all quarterly reports have been completed. The financial information for the school report card has been submitted, and they are continuing to develop the tentative budget.

SUPERINTENDENT/INTERIM PRINCIPAL'S REPORT- Sanford Holbrook
Dr. Holbrook, Superintendent/Acting Principal, presented to the Board a budget update and enrollment update, and that the nickel tax will be fully utilized in July.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES
BOARD ITEM 42026-3
Motion was made by Mrs. Sutton and seconded by Mr. Haag to approve the following special call board meeting minutes of March 24, 2026.

VOTE: 5-0

APPROVE BILLS AND CLAIMS
BOARD ITEM 42026-4
Motion was made by Mrs. Sutton and seconded by Mr. Haag to approve all bills and claims.

VOTE: 5-0

APPROVE/ACKNOWLEDGE FUNDRAISERS/TRAVEL REQUESTS/OUT OF STATE TRIPS/BUILDING USE REQUESTS/PERSONNEL ACTIONS
BOARD ITEM 42026-5
Motion was made by Mrs. Sutton and seconded by Mr. Haag to approve all fundraisers/travel requests/out of state trips/building use requests/personnel actions. VOTE: 5-0

Travel Request

3/31/26- Lenita Henson to KEDC in Lexington, KY

School Related Student Trip Requests

4/10/26- FCCLA to Regional Officer Meeting at Blue Licks, KY

4/16/26- 11th & 12th grades to MSU tour in Morehead, KY

4/16/26- FFA to UK field day in Lexington, KY

4/24/26- FCCLA to Regional Spring Meeting at Maysville, KY

4/30/26- Pre-K to Wendt's Wildlife in Carlisle, KY

5/1/26- 1st grade to the Newport Aquarium in Newport, KY

5/15/26- 2nd grade to Wendt's Wildlife in Carlisle, KY

5/19/26- Middle School to Malibu Jacks in Lexington, KY

Out of State Trip Requests

4/30/26- John Brown to take baseball team to a Reds game in Cincinnati, OH

5/14/26- 8th grade to The Rankin House in Ripley, OH

6/16/26-6/20/26- HOSA to international convention in Indianapolis, IN

School Fundraisers

5/14/26- Class of 2029 to have an "elementary dance" fundraiser.

Building Use Request

5/8/26- Samantha Saunders to host the Cattleman's Spring Member Meeting in the RCS Ag Barn.

6/4/26- 4-H to utilize the RCS Cafeteria for 4-H Camp Orientation.

6/9/26- 4-H to utilize the RCS Cafeteria for 4-H Camp Orientation.

Student Fees

None.

Personnel

New Hire: (pending all board requirements)

Alex Schalch- RCS Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach

Mason Burden- RCS Assistant Varsity Boys Basketball Coach

Retirement:

None.

Resignation:

Brandon Hinson- RCS Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach

James A. Dixon- RCS Middle School Boys Basketball Head Coach

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVING AMENDING THE 25-26 SCHOOL CALENDAR BOARD ITEM 42026-6

Motion was made by Mrs. Jones and seconded by Mrs. Sutton to approve amending the 25-26 school calendar as presented.

VOTE: 5-0

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVING DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY PLAN FOR 26-27 BOARD ITEM 42026-7

Motion was made by Mrs. Jones and seconded by Mrs. Sutton to approve the district technology plan for 26-27.

VOTE: 5-0

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVING KISTA BOND PARTICIPATION RESOLUTION FOR PURCHASING OF NEW BUS 1867
BOARD ITEM 42026-8

Motion was made by Mr. Haag and seconded by Mrs. Gifford to approve a KISTA bond participation resolution for purchasing of new bus #1867.

VOTE: 5-0

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVING OT CONTRACT WITH BRACKEN COUNTY FOR 26-27 SCHOOL YEAR ONLY
BOARD ITEM 42026-9

Motion was made by Mrs. Gifford and seconded by Mrs. Sutton to approve OT contract with Bracken County for 26-27 school year only.

VOTE: 5-0

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVING AUDIT BID FOR 25-26 SCHOOL YEAR
BOARD ITEM 42026-10
Motion was made by Mrs. Sutton and seconded by Mrs. Jones to approve audit bid for 25-26 school year and Denise M. Keene as auditor.

VOTE: 5-0

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVING STAR ACADEMY GRANT CONTRACT
BOARD ITEM 42026-11
Motion was made by Mrs. Sutton and seconded by Mr. Haag to approve a Star Academy grant contract.

VOTE: 5-0

CONSIDER MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO KRS 61.810(1) (b). EXECUTIVE SESSION IS NECESSSARY DUE TO DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL.
BOARD ITEM 42026-12
Time Entered: 6:58 pm
Motion was made by Mr. Haag and seconded by Mrs. Sutton to consider motion to enter executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1) (b). Executive session is necessary due to discussion of personnel.

VOTE: 5-0

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION
BOARD ITEM 42026-13
Time Out: 7:27 pm
Motion was made by Mr. Haag and seconded by Mrs. Jones to return to open session.

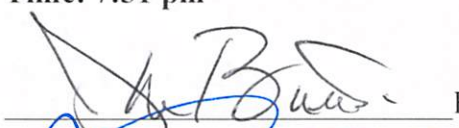
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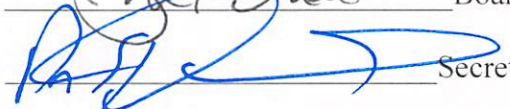
CONSIDER MOTION (IF ANY) TO ACT ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION
BOARD ITEM 42026-14
None.

COMMUNICATIONS
DISCUSSION FROM BOARD MEMBERS OR AUDIENCE
BOARD ITEM 42026-15
None.

ADJOURNMENT
BOARD ITEM 42026-16
Motion was made by Mrs. Gifford and seconded by Mr. Haag to adjourn the meeting.
Time: 7:31 pm

VOTE: 5-0


Board Chair


Secretary


Date