Taylor County Board of Education
October 19, 2026 6:00 PM ET (5:00 CT)
Taylor County Intermediate School
Library
1207 E. Broadway
Campbellsville, KY 42718

Attendance Taken at : 6:00 PM

Present Board Members:

David Hall
Jason Cox
Terry Kingsley
Cameron Gaines
Donna Williams

A. CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Order #75 - Motion Passed: Approval of the agenda as presented passed with a motion by Donna Williams and a second by Cameron Gaines.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

C. RECOGNITIONS & PRESENTATIONS

I. Heart of the Cardinal Award Recipients

II. 2026 2A Girls Golf State Champions

III. TCIS Recognitions

D. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Order #76 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Donna Williams and a second by Terry Kingsley.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

I. Approval of Minutes

II. Payments of Claims & Contract Salaries & Financial Reports

1. AP Check Reconciliation Register

2. AP Check Reconciliation Worksheet

3. Monthly Analysis

4. Monthly Financial Recap

5. Monthly Financial Report

6. Monthly Interest Rate

7. TCPC Financial Report

8. TCIS Financial Report

9. TCMS Financial Report

a. TCHS Financial Report

10. Food Service Financial Report

III. Report of Personnel Actions taken by the Superintendent

IV. Leave Requests

1. FMLA Requests

a. Request for FMLA Leave - Employee #4842

V. Travel Requests

1. October 20, 2026, Region 14 FCCLA Meeting & Skills Competition, East Somerset Baptist Church, TCHS FCCLA, D. Shewmaker

2. October 20-21, 2026, Hinton's Orchard, Hodgenville, TCPC, Kindergarten Classes, O. Weeks

3. October 20-21, 2026, JAG Fall Training, Georgetown, TCHS, C. VanMeter

4. October 21, 2026, Dear Evan Hansen Production, CU Theatre, TCH Drama, K. McAnelly

5. October 22, 2026, Dart Container Corp., Horse Cave, JAG, TCHS, C. VanMeter

6. October 27-29, 2026, KASBO, Lexington, Central Office, D. Cowherd & K. Mason

7. October 29, 2026, Day with a Scientist-Fire Ecology, Clay Hill Memorial Forest, TCHS, V. Dykes

8. October 29, 2026, Young Historians Enrichment Trip, Perryville, TCHS, S. Clark

9. October 29, 2026, Encore Client Advisory Board, Frankfort, District-Technology, K. Arnett

10. November 5, 2026, Central KY BETA Invitational, Marion County Sports Plex, TCHS, G. Sapp

11. November 6, 2026, Fall KAST 2026, Lexington, District - Technology; K. Arnett, A. VanMeter & M. Mitchell

12. November 19, 2026, KY FFA Plant & Animal Science Contest, TCMS 7th/8th Grades, K. Taylor

13. November 22-24, 2026, ECE Conference, Louisville, TCIS/TCMS, K. Shofner, M. Clayton, S. Holtzclaw & J. Matney

14. December 16, 2026, HOSA Regional Competition, Southcentral KY Community & Technical College, CKCA Nursing, S. Farmer & B. Adams

15. April 1-3, 2027, HOSA State Competition, Crowne Plaza, Louisville, CKCA Nursing, S. Farmer & B. Adams

16. Superintendent Travel

VI. Shortened School Day Waivers

1. Approval of Shortened School Day Waivers #26-008, 26-009, 26-010, 26-011, 26-012, 26-013, 26-014 and 26-015

VII. SBDM Minutes

VIII. Gifts and Donations

IX. Approval to declare Maintenance item as surplus

Generator is in non-operable condition.

E. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL

I. Approval of Pay Apps for the TCHS Phase VI Extension Project in the amount of $532,915.81.

Order #77 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Jason Cox and a second by Terry Kingsley.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

II. Approval of Pay App for the Broadway Campus Roof Project in the amount of $66,918.57.

Order #78 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Jason Cox and a second by Donna Williams.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

III. Approval of Pay App for the TCHS Phase VI Pool Project in the amount of $1,557.91.

Order #79 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Terry Kingsley and a second by Jason Cox.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

IV. Approval of FY2027 KETS First Offer of Assistance in the amount of $30,930.00.

Order #80 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Donna Williams and a second by Terry Kingsley.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

V. Approval of Delta Dental of KY renewal for 2027.

Order #81 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Donna Williams and a second by Cameron Gaines.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

VI. Approval of Opioid Settlement Funds Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Campbellsville.

Order #82 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Terry Kingsley and a second by Jason Cox.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

Funds shall be used by FRYSC exclusively for opioid and substance abuse prevention assemblies and educational materials at each of the four schools withing the Taylor County School District.

VII. Approval for TCHS Cheerleading Team to travel to Pigeon Forge, TN, November 13-15, 2026, to participate in a team retreat.

Order #83 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Donna Williams and a second by Terry Kingsley.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

VIII. Approval of the TCIS Student Council request to conduct a Yearbook Fundraiser, contingent upon prior approval by the SBDM Council.

Order #84 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Donna Williams and a second by Terry Kingsley.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

SBDM Council approval was scheduled for the meeting immediately prior to the board meeting.

IX. Kentucky Summative Assessment Data Review

F. UPDATE/INFORMATION ON DISTRICT PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES

G. NEW BUSINESS/PUBLIC COMMENT

H. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

I. Robert Braden, Superintendent

Supt. Braden reported that Agriculture students hosted the Food for America program, providing 3rd grade students with the opportunity to visit farms and participate in hands-on agricultural experiences while learning where their food originates. Homecoming will be held on Friday, October 23, with students participating in themed dress-up days throughout the week. Also, the Hall of Greats Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, October 24, at the TCHS Auditorium. This ceremony honors and recognizes greatness among alumni, retirees, and coaches within four categories: Academic, Agriculture, Arts & Music and Athletics.

II. Melissa Long, Taylor County Primary Principal

Melissa Long (Principal) stated that the Fall Festival is scheduled for Thursday, October 22, at the Primary Center. Little Mr. and Miss Cardinal will be crowned, followed by pieing of the teachers.

III. Jennifer Fitzpatrick, Taylor County Intermediate Principal

Jennifer Fitzpatrick (Principal) shared that the Intermediate School continues to maintain an attendance rate above 96% and that the Track Team has had a very successful season this year.

IV. Christina Bishop, Taylor County Middle School Principal

Christina Bishop (Principal) reported that both the Football Team and the 7th grade Girls Basketball Team are conference champs.

V. Neil Sanders, Taylor County High School Principal

Neil Sanders (Principal/Safety Director) stated that the Annual District Drill Day was successful. These drills are planned in advance and give our students and staff a chance to practice what to do in an emergency. Also, TCMS 6th grade students participated in Ag Safety Day with our TCHS FFA and Agriculture Department. Students learned the importance of safety on and off the farm, including home and recreational activities.

VI. Jon Hall, CKCA-Lakeview Academy Principal/Food Service Director

VII. DiAnne Harris, Director of Federal Programs

VIII. Melissa Melton, Director of Pupil Personnel

Melissa Melton (DPP) reported that the average daily attendance is currently 95.32%, with student illnesses beginning to impact attendance. Chronic absenteeism is also being addressed as part of school accountability. The chronic absenteeism rate has decreased from 19.4% last year to 15.43% currently, with a goal of reducing the rate to below 15%.

IX. Other Administrators

I. ADJOURNMENT

Order #85 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Cameron Gaines and a second by Donna Williams.

David Hall	Yes
Jason Cox	Yes
Terry Kingsley	Yes
Cameron Gaines	Yes
Donna Williams	Yes

Robert H. Braden, Superintendent

David Hall, Board Chair