The McCreary County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Tuesday, October 27, 2026, 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 - #11467

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

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

COMMUNICATIONS - #11468

Prayer
Braxton King
Pledge
Riley Lee
Superintendent Communications
Recognize FFA Team
Dr. Taylor shared with the Board that the FFA Team went to National Competition and placed 10th in the Forestry Competition. He introduced Mr. Cameron Lee, Sponsor, to share some information about the competition. Mr. Lee shared that these students practiced twice a week for 2 hours each day. They put in a lot of training for competition. This team placed 10th across the nation which put them in the ranking of 1% out of all teams which is considered a Gold Rated Field. He is proud of this team and the hard work they put into competition. The Team had their picture taken with the Board Members.
Superintendent's Report on Personnel/Employment Authorization
Acknowledge receipt of Superintendent's Report on Personnel/Employment Authorization.
Treasurer's Report
Ms. Tiffany Duvall, Finance Director, shared with the Board the monthly financial report for September. General Fund had SEEK payments and received revenue from tax payments. Special Revenue received grant reimbursements. District Activity made payments for DAF account. Construction Fund made payments related to construction. Debt Service made bond payments. Food Service received reimbursements. The General Fund had an ending balance or 12.970 million.
Public Comments
No Comments

APPROVE ACTIONS BY CONSENT - #11469

A motion was made by Cody Perry and a second by 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
Regular - September 22, 2026
C. Approve Payment of Bills and Claims
D. Approve Monthly Financial Report for the month ending, September 30, 2026
E. Approve Policy Revision for 03.1321 and 03.2321 Use of District Property - 2nd Reading
(adding language regarding DOT physicals for non-school bus vehicle drivers)
F. Approve KETS 1st Offer of Assistance for $38,084
G. Approve Pine Knot LLC, d/b/a Signature Healthcare of McCreary County Rehab & Wellness Center
H. Approve Any and All Grant Applications for KAST Outreach Grant
Approve any and all Grant applications regarding: The KAST Outreach Grant is provided by the Kentucky Association for School Technology (KAST) to fund innovative, technology-integrated initiatives in Kentucky schools.
You can win up to $15,000.00 for your classroom.
The deadline is Oct. 31, 2026-For more information, check out their website:
https://www.kastk12.org/page/kast-outreach/they normally do not turn anyone away as long as you follow the Rubric.
I. Approve GEAR UP Subaward Agreement
J. Approve Create (1) One Additional Unified Champion Schools Program Coach for McCreary Central High School and adjust the Salary Schedule to reflect this addition
The Special Olympics / Unified Champions has awarded $1200 for the year.
Add 1 additional Unified Champion Schools Program Coach for MCHS for a total of 2 (both grant paid)
K. Approve Declare Auditorium Seating as Surplus Property for Sale by Sealed Bid
L. Approve Donation of Sale Proceeds (Auditorium Seating) to McCreary Central High School KASA Testing Accountability Trip Fund
M. Approve Shortened School Day/Week for (3) Three Students
N. Approve UNITE Champions Against Dugs Grants for Whitley City Elementary School Family Resource Center
Back Pack Program - $500
STEM Club - $1,500
Raising Reading Raiders - $1,000

ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO KRS 61.810(1)(c)-DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED OR PENDING LITIGATION AGAINST OR ON BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC AGENCY - #11470

A motion was made by Mr. Braxton King and a second by Cody Perry to Enter into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810 Discussion of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency at 5:36 p.m. Members voted as follows:

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

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION - #11471

A motion was made by Andrew Sexton and a second by Estle Swain to approve Returning to Open Session at 5:57 p.m. Members voted as follows:

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

APPROVE PARTICIPATING IN THE SOCIAL MEDIA LITIGATION - #11472

A motion was made by Estle Swain and a second by Cody Perry to approve participating in the Social Media Litigation as presented. Members voted as follows:

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

APPROVE THE AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR SOCIAL MEDIA LITIGATION - #11473

A motion was made by Cody Perry and a second by Mr. Johnny Barnett to approve the agreement for legal services for Social Media Litigation. Members voted as follows:

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

APPROVE NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURN - #11474

A motion was made by Mr. Braxton King and a second by Estle Swain to approve next meeting of the McCreary County Board of Education for Tuesday, November 17, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. at the Board's Central Office and to adjourn. Members voted as follows:

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

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Chairman Secretary