Boyd County Board of Education Regular Board Meeting
October 27, 2026 06:00 PM ET (5:00 CT)
14375 Lions Lane
Ashland, KY 41102

Attendance Taken: 06:00 PM
Present Board Members:
Michael Blankenship
Linda Day
Randall Stapleton, Jr
Cynthia Vanhorn
Lisa Wallin

1. Call Meeting to Order

Time: 6:02pm

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 # 79 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Cynthia Vanhorn and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

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

5. Student/Staff Presentations/Recognitions

5.1. Superintendent Boblett and Assistant Superintendent Spade will recognize Krystin Daniels, and Nicole Fannin along with teachers Felicity Goodson and Megan Wallace for being selected for the "Be The Example" award.

Certificates were presented to Be The Example Employees.

5.2. Superintendent Boblett and Assistant Superintendent Spade will recognize Megan Adkins, Liz Cherry, Jessica Hensley, Connie Miller, Faith Roberts, and Jackie Criswell; for the completion of LETRS professional learning program for Teachers.

LETRS is a professional learning course for instructors of reading, spelling and related language skills. It provides educators with in-depth knowledge and tools they can use with any reading program.

Certificates and recognitions were presented to the 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 two individuals that chose to address the board with their concerns.

Individual #1 expressed concerns regarding the live streaming of Board of Education meetings, noting that it would provide greater accessibility for community members who are unable to attend in person. He also shared concerns about several maintenance issues within school buildings and offered suggestions for improving the management of meetings and addressing issues within the school system.

Individual #2 highlighted the positive developments taking place within the school system and expressed his desire to become more involved by running for a seat on the Board of Education. He discussed improvements in student transportation and noted how the system has evolved for the better. He also expressed his satisfaction with having a student representative serving on the Board this year.

7. Dialogue

7.1. Monthly Budget Update, written report attached.

Unaudited beginning balance for the year $ 2,584,635.91.

Total receipts for September are $1,279212.09 or about 11.3% of what we were budgeted to receive. This doesn't include our on-behalf payments in our receipts.

Expenditures for the month were $1,967,369.04 or about 13%.

This leaves us with $1,593,212.54 in general fund.

Our largest expenditure (other than payroll) so far for the year has been our insurance. September and October, we see our biggest drops in our balance since we don't receive our 1st property tax check of the year until November.

8. Reports/Communications

8.1. Safe Schools Report - Clayton McClelland, 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 - Stephanie Lyons, Director of Pupil Personnel

8.5. Policies and Procedures for Review 1st Reading of the dyslexia KSBA (08.1313) policy

8.6. Board Member Follow-Up

9. Action Items

9.1. Consider and approve the Monthly Financial Report, the Bank Reconciliation Report, and the MUNIS Balance Sheet: Director of Finance, Tiffany Brooks

Order # 80 - Motion Passed: Consider and approve the Monthly Financial Report, the Bank Reconciliation Report, the MUNIS Balance Sheet, and the Claims and Orders of the Treasurer: Director of Finance, Tiffany Brooks passed with a motion by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr and a second by Mrs. Lisa Wallin.

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

9.2. Review and approve the Claims and Orders of the Treasurer: Director of Finance, Tiffany Brooks

Order # 81 - Motion Passed: Consider approving the Claims and Orders of the Treasurer: District Finance Director, Tiffany Brooks passed with a motion by Michael Blankenship and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

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

9.3. Review Superintendents recommendation to approve and accept the FY2027 KETS First Offer of Assistance for Education Technology in the amount of $31,490, with equal match by the district.

Order # 82 - Motion Passed: Review Superintendents recommendation to approve and accept the FY2027 KETS First Offer of Assistance for Education Technology in the amount of $31,490, with equal match by the district. passed with a motion by Cynthia Vanhorn and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

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

9.4. Review and approve Superintendent Boblett's recommendation to approve the Infinite Campus End User License Agreement for the 2026/2027 school year. (See Attachment)

Order # 83 - Motion Passed: Review and approve Superintendent Boblett's recommendation to approve the Infinite Campus End User License Agreement for the 2026/2027 school year. (See Attachment) passed with a motion by Michael Blankenship and a second by Cynthia Vanhorn.

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

9.5. Review the recommendation of Superintendent Bill Boblett to approve the agreement for Clinical Education between Marshall University and Boyd County Schools. The purpose of this agreement is to establish a collaborative partnership between Marshall University and Boyd County to promote a higher education opportunity for Boyd County students. (See attachment)

Order # 84 - Motion Passed: Consider the recommendation of Superintendent Bill Boblett to approve the agreement for Clinical Education between Marshall University and Boyd County Schools. The purpose of

this agreement is to establish a collaborative partnership between Marshall University and Boyd County to promote a higher education opportunity for Boyd County students. (See attachment) passed with a motion by Cynthia Vanhorn and a second by Mrs. Lisa Wallin.

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

9.6. Consider Superintendents recommendation to approve the distribution of E-Rate Category 2 request for proposals (RFPs) and the acceptance of bids from vendors with state awarded contracts for upgrades to BCMS network switches and the district's core network routing switches.

Order # 85 - Motion Passed: Consider Superintendents recommendation to approve the distribution of E-Rate Category 2 request for proposals (RFPs) and the acceptance of bids from vendors with state awarded contracts for upgrades to BCMS network switches and the district's core network routing switches. passed with a motion by Michael Blankenship and a second by Cynthia Vanhorn.

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

9.7. Review approval and accept the 1st Reading of the dyslexia KSBA (08.1313) policy to be in compliance with the law - Matt Spade, Assistant Superintendent

Order # 86 - Motion Passed: Consider approving and accept the 1st Reading of the dyslexia KSBA (08.1313) policy to be in compliance with the law - Matt Spade, Assistant Superintendent passed with a motion by Michael Blankenship and a second by Mrs. Lisa Wallin.

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

9.8. Review and approve request from Dara'Su Williams, Special Education Director, to approve a shortened day waiver for 1 BCHS Student, and 1 Cannonsburg Student. (See Attachments)

Order # 87 - Motion Passed: Review and approve request from Dara'Su Williams, Special Education Director, to approve a shortened day waiver for 1 BCHS Student, and 1 Cannonsburg Student. (See Attachments) passed with a motion by Mrs. Lisa Wallin and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

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

9.9. Review and approve a request from Dara' Su Williams for the approval of Client Services Agreement with Sunbelt Staffing for the remainder of the 26-27 school year. (See Attachments)

Order # 88 - Motion Passed: Consider and approve a request from Dara' Su Williams for the approval of Client Services Agreement with Sunbelt Staffing for the remainder of the 26-27 school year. (See Attachments) passed with a motion by Michael Blankenship and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

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

10. Consent Items

Order # 89 - Motion Passed: Consider superintendent's recommendation to approve consent items as listed passed with a motion by Michael Blankenship and a second by Mrs. Lisa Wallin.

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

10.1. Consider Minutes of a regular board meeting of September 22, 2026, and a special board meeting of October 13, 2026.

10.2. Pursuant to Board Policy 02.423, Consider minutes of the School Based Decision-Making Councils as listed below: Cannonsburg Elementary Regular SBDM Meeting Minutes October 12, 2026; Summit Elementary Regular SBDM Meeting Minutes October 12, 2026; Catlettsburg Elementary Regular SBDM Meeting Reports September 21, 2026; Ponderosa SBDM Meeting Minutes September 15, 2026; Ponderosa SBDM Meeting Minutes October 13, 2026; BCHS SBDM meeting minutes October 13, 2026;

10.3. Review and approve the following fundraiser request, BCHS to sell baked goods, coffee, pizza kits, candy, pop, popcorn, candy, sodas, water, bracelets, Belk coupons, gaming tournaments and events, to host a Scholastic bookfair, and a money dolly Cannonsburg to sell Texas Roadhouse Rolls, candy grams, and have a valentine dance. Ponderosa to sell banner signs.; BCMS to sell candy, chips, t-shirts, Takis, bottled water, and to request donations for spot on TSA logo. request Walmart Spark good grant. BCTC to sell socks.

10.4. Review and approve BCHS Science Dept to apply for the AEG Grant; Summit Elementary Jessie Rigsby to apply for the 2027 Grants in Place Grant; BC Gifted and Talented program Kim Wilbur to apply for various grants including the Donors Choice Grant;

10.5. Consider a request from Catlettsburg Elementary Safety Patrol to take a overnight trip March 24 & 25, 2027 to Wright Patterson Air Force Museum and Great Wolf Lodge.

10.6. Consider and approve Superintendent's recommendation to accept a donation from Ashland Credit Union for BCHS in the amount of $5900.

10.7. Review and approve to setup ICS account(s) with Peoples' Bank: Director of Finance, Tiffany Brooks,

11. Acknowledge Personnel Actions by Chairperson

12. Motion to move into closed session for the purpose of conducting Student Disciplinary hearing, in accordance with KRS 61.810 (1) (f).

Order # 90 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Michael Blankenship and a second by Mr. Randall Stapleton, Jr.

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

Mrs. Lisa Wallin	Yes

13. Dialogue - Closed Session

14. Adjourn closed session a return to the regular meeting

Order # 91 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Cynthia Vanhorn and a second by Michael Blankenship.

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

15. Action as result of closed session

Student was expelled without services.

16. Focus of Business/Topics for Next Meeting

16.1. Next Board Meeting and Dialogue Meeting Tuesday, November 10, 2026 at Boyd County High School, Auditorium @:6:00 pm, Dialogue following right after.

17. Adjourn

Order # 92 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Cynthia Vanhorn and a second by Michael Blankenship.

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

Time: 7:15

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Linda Day, Chairperson William L. Boblett Jr. Superintendent