

December 4, 2017

The Board of Education of the County of Kanawha met in Special Session on Monday, December 4, 2017, at the Board of Education Building, Charleston, West Virginia. The meeting was called to order by Board President Jim J. Crawford at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Jim J. Crawford, President
Ric Cavender
Becky J. Jordon
Ryan White, President Pro Tem
William P. Thaw (via phone)
Ronald E. Duerring, Secretary

Debra J. Lewis, Recording Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Tom Williams, Deputy Superintendent
Paula Potter, Assistant Superintendent, Middle Schools
Bob Calhoun, Assistant Superintendent, Elementary
Melissa Ruddle, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum & Instruction
Leah Sparks, Executive Director, Technology
Kate Porter, Special Education & Student Support Services
Briana Warner, Communications Director
James W. Withrow, General Counsel
Valery Harper, Executive Director, Virtual School
Carol Hamric, Executive Director, Human Resources

PERSONNEL

A. Personnel Agenda for December 4, 2017 (Enclosure 57)

Mr. Ryan White moved: The Board approve the Revised Personnel Agenda as included in Enclosure 57. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Becky J. Jordon and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Out of State Travel Requests (Enclosure 58)

Mr. Ryan White moved: The Board approve the Out of State Travel Requests as included in Enclosure 58. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Becky J. Jordon and unanimously carried.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

A. Business Lab Computers (Enclosure 59)

Mr. Ryan White moved: The Board approve the purchase of 555 business lab computers in the amount of \$475,468.50 to the lowest responsible bidder, Pomeroy IT Solutions, per Bid #18-105. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Becky J. Jordon.

Mr. Thaw-Why do we need them? Leah Sparks-The business lab computers are really outdated. The technology needs have surpassed the ability of the machines. We aren't able to run a lot of the software that we need.

Mr. White-Are these going into our high schools? Leah Sparks-Yes.

Mr. Cavender-We face a similar situation in our elementary schools, so is there a plan in place to get rid of the old desktops? Leah Sparks-Yes, we are putting more iPads into the elementary schools as we can and there is a program called Second Launch through the State Department where we can get updated machines.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Mr. Thaw-What do we do with the old ones? Leah Sparks-A lot of times they will be filtered into other classrooms that might need them.

Mr. White-Do we use the old ones to teach students how to rebuild computers? Leah Sparks-We haven't, but it is something we can look into.

The above motion unanimously carried.

FIRST READING

A. Travel Series G47 Policy Revision (Enclosure 55)

Dr. Duerring-This is up for first reading. Currently we are paying \$40 a day for meals for out-of-state travel and \$25 for in-county-travel. This revision would allow us to use the GSA per diem rate. The amount allowed would depend on what city you are.

DELEGATIONS

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S PRESENTATION

A. Employee Discipline

Mr. Ryan White moved: The Board approve the Superintendent's recommendation for suspension of Little Thomas, and Little Thomas shall be, and he is hereby, suspended, without pay, from his employment with the Kanawha County Board of Education, for a period of three (3) working days. The specific days of suspension shall be determined by the Superintendent. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Becky J. Jordon and unanimously carried.

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

Mr. Crawford-Dunbar Intermediate is having their annual Senior Citizen's Dinner Thursday at 5:00. You are certainly invited.

Mr. White-Do you have the mold report back on Capital? Dr. Duerring-Yes. There was one room outside the office that was slightly above. The other one was below but since they were close together we are going to clean both. Mr. White-Did the report indicate any of the reasons why? Dr. Duerring-The one room was below and we don't have to do anything, the other was just slightly above and the other room we can't figure out. We are just going back in that room trying to figure it out. It wasn't as high as the first time we did the cleaning. Mr. White-We need to get to the bottom of what is causing it.

Mr. Cavender-Thanks for responding so quickly to the Stonewall Gym heater issue. Can you briefly run down what's the normal process whenever we have a unit like that that goes out? Dr. Duerring-It's hard to say. You don't know how old the unit is, where does the part come from, do we have to replace the whole unit, etc. It just depends.

Mr. Crawford-I want to thank Mr. Hollandsworth and his staff for getting the sign put up at Anne Bailey. It really looks good.

ESTABLISHMENT OF MEETING DATES

- A. Monday, December 4, 2017, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- B. Thursday, December 14, 2017, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session
- C. Tuesday, January 2, 2018, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- D. Thursday, January 18, 2018, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session
- E. Monday, February 5, 2018, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- F. Thursday, February 15, 2018, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session

ESTABLISHMENT OF MEETING DATES (continued)

G. Monday, March 5, 2018, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session

H. Thursday, March 15, 2018, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session

NOTE; The above meetings of the Kanawha County Board of Education, unless otherwise indicated, will be held in the Board of Education Building, 200 Elizabeth Street, Charleston, WV.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ryan White moved: That the Special Session of the Board be adjourned. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Becky Jordon and unanimously carried. The Special Session was declared adjourned by Board President Jim J. Crawford at 4:13 p.m.

President

Secretary

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