

April 1, 2019

The Board of Education of the County of Kanawha met in Special Session on Monday, April 1, 2019 at the Board of Education Building, Charleston, West Virginia. The meeting was called to order by Board President Ryan White at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Ryan White, President

Ric Cavender, President Pro Tem

Jim J. Crawford, Sr. (via phone)

Becky J. Jordon

Tracy White

Ronald E. Duerring, Secretary

Debra J. Lewis, Recording Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Tom Williams, Deputy Superintendent

Paula Potter, Asst. Superintendent, Middle & Alternative Schools

Lindsey McIntosh, General Counsel

Kate Porter, Assistant Superintendent, Special Education & Student Support Services

Briana Warner, Communications Director

Carol Hamric, Executive Director, Human Resources

Alan Cummings, Director, Purchasing & Supply Management

Chuck Smith, Executive Director, Facilities, Planning & Management

Mark Milam, Asst. Superintendent, Secondary & Career-Technical Education

Terry Hollandsworth, Executive Director, Maintenance & Energy Management

Bob Calhoun, Asst. Superintendent, Elementary

Carol Lane, Director, Preschool

FIRST READING

A. Social Studies Textbook Adoption (Enclosure 109)

Rosie Rhodes-I have had the privilege of working with the K-12 Social Studies Instructional Resources Committee and the teachers have done a great job. You will now see a few brief presentations from the teachers so we can give you an overview of the work they have done and the resources we have selected.

Tammy Hovis-Our purpose was to provide a more current, innovative and exciting way to teach social studies and use all of the resources available to us. Each week since January our grade level teams have met. Our task was to locate and preview texts, activities, games, maps, books and projects relevant to the specific developmental needs of our students in order to support and enrich the teaching of our required standards. We hope that the teachers will see the value of our Schoology management system as a tool for building instructional support and content. The other members of our team are Chloe White, Nancy LeFevre, Theresa Whitehead, Linda Hull, Brie Carr, Leska Foster, Sara Workman, Kystal McConihay, Christi Shock, Joe Gonzalez and Brianne Vandal.

Kate Dodson-During this collaborative time we were able to take our content curriculum and technology and combine it in a new way. Each grade level combined their information into organized courses on Schoology. We were able to put videos and model lessons in these folders that were organized by unit. We were able to tag our West Virginia content standards. As we went through Discovery Education we discovered that the tech book would be a great asset for our students. The other members of our team are: Sonja Davison, Susan Lyons, Lindsay Johnson, Kimi Estep, Jonathan Veazey, Paula Kerner, Kizmet Chandler and Vicki Hensley.

Jessica Abshire-West Virginia Studies is a unique topic. I realized how difficult it was to find resources geared towards this unique content. Each unit of study is aligned with our college and career-readiness standards. Teachers can copy this folder into their course directly.

Megan McCorkle-Today I want to share with you the various supports that this adoption provides for our students with disabilities. The resources are on Schoology which is a format that allows all of the accessibility features on the iPad to be utilized, such as text to speech, speech to text, visual enhancements, etc. There are various methods of assessments for student learning. The Discovery Education Tech Book has audio support and a student controlled toggle button and closed captioning for students with hearing impairments.

FIRST READING (continued)

Matt Cox-Our team worked diligently and cooperatively and we are now submitting to you our final recommendations for textbooks for the following subjects: World History, US Studies, Contemporary Studies, Civics, and various social studies electives and Advance Placement Courses. As a committee we feel our review has been thorough and complete. We are also recommending a number of supplemental resources to go beyond the textbook in order to engage students and promote critical thinking.

Rosie Rhodes-I would like to recognize Kathy Stout, Judy Shively and Megan McCorkle. They were partners in crime in this adoption. We are so excited to see what happens in social studies in the next few years with this.

Mr. White-Do all of our schools have those electives? Rosie Rhodes-In Social Studies with AP Courses some of them offer some of those courses every year it kind of varies.

Mr. Cavender-Is Civics offered as an elective or is it required? Rosie Rhodes-It's a required course for 12th grade.

SECOND READING

A. Creative Curriculum for Preschool 6th Edition (Enclosure 106)

Carol Lane-We are currently using the 5th Edition. The new 6th Edition is updated with new research which aligns with West Virginia Content Standards. The WVDE has adopted it throughout the state so now every preschool in West Virginia will be using this curriculum. It will include 75 additional children's books for each study. There will be an eBooks collection and 30 of those will be bilingual. There is going to be 10 highlights that will be sent home for the families. It has a parent component where they can be involved in the curriculum. We've had a lot of success with this. It has increased our parental involvement by 55%.

PERSONNEL

A. Personnel Agenda for April 1, 2019 (Enclosure 107)

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: The Board approve the Revised Personnel Agenda as included in Enclosure 107. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Becky J. Jordon and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Mowing & Trimming Services

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: The Board approve the contracts for Mowing and Trimming Services to the lowest responsible bidder per region; Royal Property Management in the amount of \$351,956.00 and Landscape Services, Inc. in the amount of \$99,660.00 per Bid #19-121 as shown in Enclosure 108. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Becky J. Jordon.

Mrs. Jordon-Is this the same company? Alan Cummings-One is the same and then we have a new company. This contract is written in such a way as to allow us multiple awards. We looked at the previous contract and realized it was a low bid for every location in the county, so we thought how we can save a little money, how can we make it more competitive for vendors to respond. So we looked at it in a way that we split up by various regions. A quarter of this is going LSI and Royal is getting the remaining. By doing so we anticipate a savings of around \$18,000 savings.

Mr. White-What was the previous contract for? Alan Cummings-It was \$479,600.
Mr. White-Are these companies local? Alan Cummings-Royal is out of St. Albans and Landscape is out of Nashville.

Mr. Cavender-Will they hire a local workforce? Alan Cummings-Yes they sub those contracts out to local vendors. Mr. Cavender-Didn't we have a policy in place that gave first preference to local vendors? Alan Cummings-Resident bidder preferences are not applicable to service contracts per WVDE Policy. It's applicable to commodities and printing services only.

The above motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

B. Acquisition of Property (Enclosure 110)

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: The Board approve the Resolution concerning the acquisition of property for the construction of Herbert Hoover High School as shown in Enclosure 110. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Becky J. Jordon.

WHEREAS, the BOARD OF EDUCATION OF KANAWHA COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA (“the Board”) has determined that a new Herbert Hoover High School is required to serve the residents of the area in and about Elkview, West Virginia; and WHEREAS, the Board has determined that in order to construct, operate and maintain the school, it is necessary to acquire rights in and to the property owned by the TRUSTEES OF ELKVEIW BAPTIST CHURCH situate in Elk District, Kanawha County, West Virginia, containing 237.87 acres, more or less. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board by and through its agents and attorneys shall take all reasonable and necessary actions to acquire title to the aforesaid property, by either sale or condemnation proceedings, under Chapter 54, Article 2 of the Code of West Virginia.

Chuck Smith-This resolution is the start off point. The purchase of the property enables us to move quickly once the environmental assessments and the funding is in place so that way we don’t have a delay in the process and move forward as fast as possible. Mr. White-It is my understanding that this property won’t have to go through the condemnation process. Chuck Smith-That is correct. The current owner is very willing to work with us on this property.

The above motion unanimously carried.

DELEGATIONS

None

SUPERINTENDENT’S PRESENTATION

This item was deleted from the agenda.

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

None

ESTABLISHMENT OF MEETING DATES

- A. Monday, April 1, 2019, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- B. Tuesday, April 2, 2019, 3:00 p.m.-Personnel Hearings
- C. Wednesday, April 3, 2019, 3:00 p.m.-Personnel Hearings
- D. Tuesday, April 16, 2019, 12:00 Noon-Statutory Session (Reconvening of March 14, 2019, Meeting to Enter all Levies)
- E. Monday, April 22, 2019, 6:00 p.m.-Statutory Session (Public Hearing on Proposed Budget)
- F. Thursday, April 25, 2019, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session
- G. Monday, May 6, 2019, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- H. Thursday, May 16, 2019, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session
- I. Monday, June 3, 2019, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- J. Thursday, June 13, 2019, 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. Ric Cavender moved: That the Special Session of the Board be adjourned. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Becky J. Jordon and unanimously carried. The Special Session was declared adjourned by Board President Ryan White at 4:35 p.m.

President

Secretary

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4/8/2019