

June 14, 2021

The Board of Education of the County of Kanawha met in Special Session on Monday, June 14, 2021 at the Board of Education Building, Charleston, West Virginia. The meeting was called to order by Board President Becky J. Jordon at 12:00 Noon.

PRESENT

Becky J. Jordon, President
Tracy White, President Pro Tem
Ric Cavender (via phone)
Jim J. Crawford, Sr.
Ryan White
Thomas E. Williams, Secretary

Debra J. Lewis, Recording Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Paula Potter, Deputy Superintendent
Amon Gilliam, Assistant Superintendent, Middle & Alternative Schools
Megan McCorkle, Assistant Superintendent, Special Education & Student Support Services
Leah Sparks, Executive Director, Technology
Lindsey McIntosh, General Counsel
Briana Warner, Communications Director

REPORTS

A. Legal Report

The Board requested this item be discussed in an Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Tracy White moved: The Board enter into Executive Session to discuss legal issues. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford and carried 4-0.

The Special Session of the Board was recessed and the Executive Session convened at 12:01 p.m.

Mr. Ric Cavender joined the meeting via phone during the Executive Session.

RECONVENE SPECIAL SESSION

Mrs. Tracy White moved: The Board reconvene the Special Session of the Board. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford and unanimously carried. The Special Session was reconvened at 1:58 p.m.

Mrs. Jordon-The Kanawha County Schools Board of Education members acknowledge the recent acts by individuals toward students at Horace Mann Middle School. We condemn these actions and we express our sincere empathy to the families of those students involved.

What is needed here is action and we are pleased to see that action was taken and continues to be taken by the district, who is working with law enforcement and who is also taking these actions very seriously. We thank the school administrators for their handling of the event and district administrators for working with law enforcement to bring justice for families.

In addition, we feel confident that the district is appropriately analyzing and adjusting to make sure that this type of action will again, if and when necessary, be swiftly acted upon and dealt with. We realize that part of justice may also be lobbying to have the special education camera law made stronger for our students. We will continue to support the district in its meaningful action to hold those responsible accountable.

ESTABLISHMENT OF MEETING DATES

- A. Monday, June 14, 2021, 12:00 Noon-Special Session
- B. Thursday, June 17, 2021, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session

ESTABLISHMENT OF MEETING DATES (continued)

- C. Tuesday, July 6, 2021, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- D. Thursday, July 15, 2021, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session
- E. Monday, August 2, 2021, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- F. Thursday, August 19, 2021, 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

Mrs. Tracy White moved: That the Special Session of the Board be adjourned. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford and unanimously carried. The Special Session was declared adjourned by Board President Becky J. Jordon at 2:00 p.m.

President

Secretary

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6/30/2021