

January 20, 2022

The Board of Education of the County of Kanawha met in Regular Session on Thursday, January 20, 2022 at the Board of Education Building, Charleston, West Virginia. The meeting was called to order by Board President Becky J. Jordon at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Becky J. Jordon, President (via Teams)

Tracy White, President Pro Tem (via Teams)

Ric Cavender (via Teams)

Jim J. Crawford, Sr. (via Teams)

Ryan White (via Teams)

Thomas E. Williams, Secretary

Debra J. Lewis, Recording Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Paula Potter, Deputy Superintendent

Mellow Lee, Assistant Superintendent, Elementary (via Teams)

George Aulenbacher, Asst. Superintendent, High Schools, Technical & Adult Ed. (via Teams)

Melissa Ruddle, Asst. Superintendent, Curriculum & Instruction (via Teams)

Ron Pauley, Executive Director, Human Resources (via Teams)

Megan McCorkle, Asst. Superintendent, Special Ed. & Student Support Services (via Teams)

Alicia Warden, Health Services (via Teams)

Briana Warner, Communications (via Teams)

Leah Sparks, Executive Director, Technology

Lindsey McIntosh, General Counsel (via Teams)

Amon Gilliam, Assistant Superintendent, Middle & Alternative Schools (via Teams)

Chuck Smith, Executive Director, Facilities & Planning (via Teams)

Melanie Meadows Treasurer, Budget & Finance (via Teams)

Carol Lane, Director, Preschool (via Teams)

Alan Cummings, Executive Director, Purchasing & Supply Management (via Teams)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President Becky J. Jordon.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

We would like to observe a moment of silence in memory of Robin Collins, a Substitute Deaf/Hard of Hearing Teacher at West Side Middle.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. December 6, 2021 - Special Session
- B. December 16, 2021 - Regular Session

REPORTS

- A. Kanawha County Travel Reimbursement for December, 2021 (Enclosure 83)
- B. Monthly Financial Report (Enclosure 84)
- C. Legal Reports
None
- D. Board Reports
None

PERSONNEL

- A. Personnel Agenda for January 20, 2022 (Enclosure 85)

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: The Board approve the Revised Personnel Agenda as included in Enclosure 85. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: The Board approve the following CONSENT Items A-C.
Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford and unanimously carried.

A. Approval of Bills for December, 2021 (Enclosure 86)

Approval of the payment of bills for the month of December, 2021 in the amounts of \$31,025,180.13 for the Current Expense, Special Revenue and Federal Stimulus Funds; \$110,312.45 for the KCS Public Library Excess Levy Fund; \$12,245,399.64 for the Permanent Improvement Fund; and \$750,965.51 for the Public Library Fund as reflected in Enclosure 86.

B. Budget Supplements & Transfers (Enclosure 87)

Approval of budget supplements and transfers as reflected in Enclosure 87.

C. Out of State Travel Requests (Enclosure 88)

Approval of the Out of State Travel Requests as contained in Enclosure 88.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

A. Head Start/Preschool Continuation Grant Proposal 2022-23 (Enclosure 89)

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: The Board approve the Kanawha County Schools Head Start/Preschool Continuation Grant as shown in Enclosure 89. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford.

Dr. Williams-Ms. Lane is on the line if you all would have questions, but this is just a continuation so we can continue to have Head Start next year. This is something we do every year.

The above motion unanimously carried.

Mrs. Jordon-Ms. Lane, thank you for all of the hard work that you do for Head Start. You are amazing. We appreciate all that you and your staff do. Carol Lane-Thank you.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS (continued)

B. Kanawha County Public Library Board of Directors

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: The Board approve Mr. Jason Holliday as a Director of the Kanawha County Public Library to fill the remaining term of the recently deceased Cheryl Morgan, with such term to end on June 30, 2027. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford and unanimously carried.

C. Ruthlawn Elementary School Renovations (Enclosure 90)

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: The Board approve the contract to the lowest responsible bidder, Flint Construction, for renovations in the amount of \$2,152,000.00 as per bid 22-107 as shown in Enclosure 90. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford.

Dr. Williams-This is the SBA Project that we got part of the money for. This is to build two classrooms and a STEM Lab, which will eliminate two portables at Ruthlawn. It will also add additional parking and a sidewalk for the students.

Mrs. Jordon-When do you expect this project to begin and when do you think it will be finished? Chuck Smith-Our goal is to start the construction once we have the contract in place which hopefully will take place in the next 2-3 weeks. We are anticipating having the facility complete by August, 2023.

Mr. White-Have we used Flint Construction before? Chuck Smith-Yes, they just completed the Alum Creek renovation. This project will be of a similar nature.

The above motion unanimously carried.

D. AEP Easement (Enclosure 91)

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: The Board approve the AEP Easement to allow utility installation for Richmond Elementary as shown in Enclosure 91. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford.

Dr. Williams-They won't put a power line over a portable or a play area. Chuck Smith-AEP's requirements won't let them run over top of our playground so we had to relocate that line to serve the portable.

The above motion unanimously carried.

DELEGATIONS

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S PRESENTATION

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: The Board adopt the findings and conclusions of the hearing examiner and approve the Superintendent's recommendation for dismissal of Joshua Cobb, and Joshua Cobb shall be, and he is hereby, terminated from his employment with the Kanawha County Board of Education, effective immediately. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford and unanimously carried.

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

None

ESTABLISHMENT OF MEETING DATES

- A. Thursday, January 20, 2022, 5:00 p.m.-Regular Session
- B. Monday, February 7, 2022, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- C. Thursday, February 17, 2022, 5:00 p.m.-Regular Session
- D. Tuesday, March 1, 2022, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- E. Thursday, March 17, 2022, 5:00 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 Regular Session of the Board be adjourned. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ryan White and unanimously carried. The Regular Session was declared adjourned by Board President Becky J. Jordon at 5:13 p.m.

President

Secretary

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