

The McCreary County Board of Education met in Regular Session on July 27, 2020 at 6:07 PM at the Board of Education Central Office. Chairman Stephens welcomed everyone then called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call. Present were Dustin Stephens, Deborah Gibson, Braxton King, Nelda Gilreath, Lori Foster and Superintendent, Corey M. Keith. Absent from the meeting were Nelda Gilreath. Also present were school system staff.

This Regular Board meeting will be by video teleconferencing, in keeping with the requirements of KRS 61.826. The primary location of the video teleconference is the McCreary County Board of Education's Central Office, 120 Raider Way, Stearns, KY. The video teleconferencing is being made in light of the exceptional circumstances of the current state of emergency.

The McCreary County Board of Education will be following the NEW GUIDANCE from the Attorney General, see OAG 20-05 for the following meeting as well as Kentucky 2020 Senate Bill 150. There will be no public meeting location. We will use YouTube to stream the meeting. The link is <https://youtu.be/nr8dZ6Zulbk>

Mission Statement: The McCreary County School System will provide a safe, supportive environment to meet the individual needs of all students and ensure they are college and career ready

APPROVE AGENDA AND ADDENDUM - #10433

A motion was made by Mrs. Lori Foster and a second by Ms. Deborah Gibson to approve the agenda and addendum as presented. Members voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Gilreath – Absent; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Stephens - AYE

COMMUNICATIONS - #10434

A. Prayer

B. Pledge

C. Public Comments

No Comments

D. Superintendent News

The district has been working on getting our buildings ready, our teachers and administrators are working hard getting ready for school to reopen.

E. Superintendent's Report on Personnel/Employment Authorization

Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt of Superintendent's Report on Personnel/Employment Authorization.

APPROVE ACTIONS BY CONSENT - #10435

A motion was made by Mr. Braxton King and a second by Mrs. Lori Foster to approve the actions by consent as presented. Members voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Gilreath – Absent; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Stephens - AYE

A. Acknowledge Superintendent's Report on Leave of Absence Authorizations

B. Approve Minutes

Regular - June 22, 2020

Special Called - June 29, 2020

Special Called - July 16, 2020

C. Payment of Bills and Claims

D. Approve KSBA 2020 Annual Policy and Procedure Updates - 2nd Reading

E. Approve Memorandum of Agreement with Berea College (Gear Up)

F. Approve Memorandum of Agreement with Midway College for 2020-2021

G. Approve Memorandum of Understanding - Kentucky College coach for 2020-2021

H. Approve Memorandum of Agreement with Campbellsville University-Dual Credit

I. Approve Fidelity Performance Bonds

Corey M. Keith, Superintendent

Lauren King, Finance Director

Patsy Kidd, Purchasing

J. Acknowledge IMPACT Aid Grant Update

K. Approve 2020-2021 Salary Schedule Revisions

L. Approve Create (1) One Digital Learning Coach for each school: McCreary Central High School, McCreary County Middle School, Pine Knot Elementary School and Whitley City Elementary School

M. Approve Create (1) One Position - Community Digital Resource Coordinator

N. Approve Create 15 Bus Monitor Positions

There was discussion regarding the reopening of school. Superintendent Keith shared with the Board that educators want students back in the buildings. COVID-19 has seen a significant spike in positive cases which has created a lot of uncertainty. He shared that across the board that the parents who want their child to do distance learning and the parents who want the child to attend in-person has been 55/45 across the board. With that being said, Superintendent Keith recommended to the Board that distance learning be used from August 27th to Fall Break due to COVID-19 spikes. He shared that this was 26 days (with those Fridays being virtual learning already). He shared that Technology is working with Highland to create hot spots for WiFi around the county. He also shared that the Board approved a distance learning Coach for each building to help students. He stated again that they would rather have out students in the classroom with in-person

teaching. With the current circumstances, this is the best thing that we can do for our kids. He also shared that the district would continue with the feeding program.

APPROVE McCREARY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO DISTANCE LEARNING FOR THE FIRST NINE WEEKS - #10436

A motion was made by Mr. Dustin Stephens and a second by Mrs. Lori Foster to approve accepting Superintendent Keith's recommendation to distance learning from August 27th to Fall Break. Members voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Gilreath – Absent; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Stephens - AYE

APPROVE NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURN - #10437

A motion was made by Mrs. Lori Foster and a second by Ms. Deborah Gibson to approve the next meeting of the McCreary County Board of Education will be Monday, August 24, 2020, at 6:00 PM at Pine Knot Elementary School Bldg. 1 Library and to adjourn. Members voted as follows:

Gibson – AYE; Gilreath – Absent; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Stephens - AYE

Chairperson

Secretary