

The McCreary County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, December 13, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. at McCreary Central High School. Chairman King welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Present were Braxton King, Lori Foster, Stacey Hammons, Johnny Barnett and Superintendent, Corey M. Keith. Absent from the meeting were Sherry Duncan. Also present were the media, school system staff and interested parties.

Mission Statement: The McCreary County School District 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 - #10651

A motion was made by Mr. Johnny Barnett and a second by Mrs. Lori Foster to approve the agenda and addendum. Members voted as follows:

Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Barnett – AYE; Hammons – AYE; Duncan – Absent

COMMUNICATIONS - #10652

A. Prayer

Dustin Baird

B. Pledge

MCHS - Battalion Commander Cadet Lt. Col. John Jones

C. Public Comments

No comments

D. Superintendent Communications

Superintendent Keith shared with the Board they had a good/productive meeting with DECO Architect. At this point, we are still waiting on approval from Kentucky Department of Education on the schematic designs.

E. Superintendent's Report on Personnel/Employment Authorization

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

F. Treasurer's Report

Finance Director, Lauren King, shared with the Board the revenues and expenditures for the month of November.

G. Presentation of 2020-2021 Financial Audit Report

At this time, Patrick & Associates, LLC presented the 2020-2021 audit report. Ms. Tammy Patrick and Ms. Beth Francis reviewed the opinions and brief summary explaining that there were some minor recommendations at the school activity level and there were no findings at the district level. The district has an unmodified audit opinion; which is the best opinion possible.

Board Member, Johnny Barnett asked the Board to add an agenda item, 5.F. Discuss and/or take action on surplus playground equipment pending approval of item 4.K. Purchase playground equipment.

APPROVE ACTIONS BY CONSENT - #10653

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

King – AYE; Barnett – AYE; Hammons – AYE; Duncan – Absent; Foster – AYE

- A. Acknowledge Superintendent's Report on Leave of Absence Authorizations
- B. Approve Minutes:
Regular - November 22, 2021
- C. Approve Payment of Bills and Claims
- D. Approve Payment of Bills and Claims through the End of the Month of December 2021
- E. Approve Monthly Financial Report for the Month Ending, November 30, 2021
- F. Acknowledge Federal Program and Title I Annual Review
- G. Accept 2020-2021 Audit Report
- H. Approve Policy 03.111 and 03.211 Medical Examinations Revision - 1st Reading
- I. Create (2) Two Positions for GEAR-UP Program: (1) Academic Interventionist and (1) College and Career Navigator
- J. Approve Branscum Construction Manager Contract for McCreary County Middle School Renovation Project
- K. Approve Purchase of Playground Equipment for Pine Knot Elementary School and Whitley City Elementary School
- L. Create (1) One Teacher position at Whitley City Elementary School for the remainder of 2021-2022 School Year (One-Year Only)
- M. Approve Boys Scouts Charter Agreement for 2021-2022 School Year
- N. Approve Botvin LifeSkills Training Drug Prevention Program Grant for McCreary County Middle School and McCreary Central High School
- O. Approve Revised 03.1231 and 03.2231 Personal Leave Policies - 1st Reading

TABLE REVISED POLICIES 03.1236 AND 03.2236 EMERGENCY LEAVE UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING – 2ND READING - #10654

A motion was made by Mr. Johnny Barnett and a second by Mrs. Lori Foster to table revised policies 03.1236 and 03.2236 Emergency Leave until the next meeting. Members voted as follows:

Barnett – AYE; Hammons – AYE; Duncan – Absent; Foster – AYE; King – AYE

Superintendent Keith read his letter of resignation.

ACCEPT LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM SUPERINTENDENT, COREY M. KEITH EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2022 - #10655

A motion was made by Mrs. Stacey Hammons and a second by Mr. Braxton King to accept Letter of Resignation from Superintendent, Corey M. Keith effective June 30, 2022. Members voted as follows:

Hammons – AYE; Duncan – Absent; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Barnett - AYE

DECLARE A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT PENDING RETIREMENT - #10656

A motion was made by Mr. Johnny Barnett and a second by Mrs. Stacey Hammons to declare a vacancy in the Office of Superintendent pending retirement. Members voted as follows:

Duncan- Absent; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Barnett – AYE; Hammons - AYE

AUTHORIZE BOARD CHAIR TO CONTACT KENTUCKY SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION (KSBA) TO GET A PROPOSED CONTRACT FOR SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH - #10657

A motion was made by Mrs. Stacey Hammons and a second by Mrs. Lori Foster to authorized Board Chair to contact Kentucky School Board Association (KSBA) to get a proposed contract for Superintendent Search. Members voted as follows:

Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Barnett – AYE; Hammons – AYE; Duncan – Absent

APPROVE REVISED 2021-2022 SALARY SCHEDULE - #10658

A motion was made by Mrs. Lori Foster and a second by Mrs. Stacey Hammons to approve the revised 2021-2022 Salary Schedule as presented. Members voted as follows:

King – AYE; Barnett – AYE; Hammons – AYE; Duncan – Absent; Foster – AYE

**AUTHORIZED BOARD ATTORNEY TO BEGIN THE PROCESS TO DONATE
SURPLUS PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT TO McCREARY COUNTY FISCAL COURT
- #10659**

A motion was made by Mrs. Stacey Hammons and a second by Mr. Johnny Barnett to authorize Board Attorney to begin the process to donate surplus playground equipment to McCreary County Fiscal Court. Members voted as follows:

Barnett – AYE; Hammons – AYE; Duncan – Absent; Foster – AYE; King – AYE

APPROVE THE NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURN - #10660

A motion was made by Mrs. Stacey Hammons and a second by Mr. Johnny Barnett to approve the next meeting of the McCreary County Board of Education for Monday, January 24, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. and the Board's Central Office and adjourn. Members voted as follows:

Hammons – AYE; Duncan – Absent; Foster – AYE; King – AYE; Barnett – AYE

Chairman

Secretary