

Board Update

Board Members

David Ambrose, President
Aaron Close, Vice President
John Rowland
Laura Smith
Patricia Springer

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Board Meeting
March 4, 2014

Regular Session

The Morgan County Board of Education met in a regular session on Tuesday, March 4, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. at Berkeley Springs High School located at 149 Concord Avenue, Berkeley Springs, WV.

David Ambrose, President presided. Aaron Close, John Rowland, Laura Smith and Patricia Springer, Members and David Banks, Superintendent, were present.

Present were: Administrator – Joan Willard, Assistant Superintendent. Director – Tom Shade. AFT Representative – Neil Heard. WVEA Representative – Anita Mitter. Others – Kyle Hine, Rachel Hopkins, Nicole Ackerman, Carol Coryea Chris Poniris, Shanna Poniris, Talia Fravel, Ann Bell, Ian Helmick, Anne Helmick, Michael Webster, Melissa Salvatore, Liam Khuen, Abigail Khuen, Kim Khuen, Sharon Chamberlain, Buzz Chamberlain, Geneva Molnar, Peggy Molnar, Janice Golden, Bonnie Butts, Malinda Ayers, Faith Gurson, Ronnie Sue Childers, Gary Shives and Betsy Buser.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Ambrose at 6:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

President Ambrose led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call

All Board of Education members were present.

IV. Approval of Agenda and Addenda

The board approved the Agenda and Addenda.

V. Personnel Hearings

- A. Personnel hearings were conducted pursuant to WV Code 18A-2-7 for employees who requested a hearing as a result of being recommended for transfer by the superintendent. No action was taken.

VI. Reports/Communications

- A. President of the Board

NOTE: President Ambrose, Superintendent Banks and Mrs. Springer attended the WWSBA Winter Conference. President Ambrose stated that he was ask to serve another term on the Executive Board.

B. Board of Education Members

NOTE: Mrs. Smith attended the opening of the Youth Art Month at the Ice House. Every school in the county had art work displayed. Mrs. Smith commented on the excellent showing of musical and art talent from the students in Morgan County.

C. Superintendent

NOTE: Superintendent Banks noted that our snow day count is now up to 17 days.

VII. Public Comments: Mr. Pete Gordon spoke regarding an upcoming event for non-voter registration and children's fair at the American Legion on March 16, 2014 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

VIII. Consent Agenda (Action)

The superintendent recommends approval of the following consent actions as presented:

- A. Minutes of the February 18, 2014 Regular Meeting
- B. Payment of Bills
- C. Request for Exception to Attendance Requirement
- D. Budget Adjustments (if necessary)
- E. Volunteers (Warm Springs Intermediate School & Widmyer Elementary School)

The board approved Agenda Item VIII.A-E. – Consent Agenda

IX. Personnel

The superintendent recommends approval of the following personnel actions as presented:

A. Professional Personnel

- Employment
 - 1. Jennifer Sullivan, Substitute School Nurse, County, effective March 5, 2014, contingent upon meeting employment requisites.(014-193)

B. Service Personnel

- Reclassify
 - 1. Richard Curtis, from Truck Driver/Welder/General Maintenance/Carpenter II, County to Truck Driver/Welder/General Maintenance/Carpenter II/Locksmith, County, effective beginning February 19, 2014.
- Rescind Reduction in Force
 - 1. Vickie Phillips, Clerk, Transportation, rescind reduction in force and transfer to Greenwood Elementary as a Secretary II, effective March 5, 2014.(014-204)
- Retirement
 - 1. Raymonda Keefer, Secretary III, Berkeley Springs High School, effective August 31, 2014.

C. Extracurricular/Extra Duty Assignment

- Employment
 1. Matt Griffith, Assistant Baseball Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2013-2014 school year.(014-201)
 2. Keith Spielman, Assistant Baseball Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2013-2014 school year.(014-202)
 3. Ian Helmick, Assistant Baseball Coach, Paw Paw Schools, effective for the 2013-2014 school year.(014-203)
 4. Rebecca Ryan, Math Field Day Coordinator, Paw Paw Schools, effective for the 2013-2014 school year.(014-200)

D. Professional Staff Development

1. Compensate the following individuals for attendance at a New Teachers Training on February 27, 2014 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. – Funding Source Title II

Nicole Surface	Megan Lord
Julia Antolik	Adam Funkhouser
Anna Tucker	Jenna Gorgol
Rebecca Ryan	Cortney Kile
Mellisa Walker	Lori Edwards

The board approved Agenda Item IX.A-D. – Personnel.

X. Program Planning

- A. 2013-2014 School Calendar; reschedule the following days as instructional days:
May 28, 29 and 30, 2014 and June 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, 2014 – to instructional days for students

NOTE: June 6 will be the last day for students

NOTE: The IS (Instructional Support) Day originally scheduled for June 2, 2014 is rescheduled for June 9, 2014.

The board approved Agenda Item X.A – Program Planning.

XI. Calendar of Events

March 18	Regular Meeting 5:45 p.m.	Widmyer
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer Hearing • Public Hearing on School Calendar • LSIC – Widmyer Elementary • Action on Transfers 	
March 25	Public Hearing on School Calendar 5:30 p.m.	Board Office
March 25	Special Meeting 6:00 p.m.	Board Office
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Work Session 	
April 1	Regular Meeting 6:30 p.m.	PVE
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LSIC – Pleasant View Elementary • Action on rehiring probationary service and professional personnel 	
April 14-18	Spring Break	

April 22	Rescheduled Regular Meeting 6:30 p.m.	WSIS
	• LSIC – Warm Springs Intermediate School	
May 6	Regular Meeting 6:30 p.m.	BSHS
	• LSIC – Berkeley Springs High School	
May 13	Primary Election	
May 19	Canvass of Election Returns (2 members required)	

XII. Executive Session pursuant to West Virginia Code 6-9A-4(2)(A)

A. The Board entered into Executive Session pursuant to West Virginia Code 6-9A-4(2)(A) to discuss a personnel matter. No action was taken.

XIII. Adjournment

The meeting was duly adjourned at 7:45 p.m.