

# Board Update

## Board Members

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

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Board Meeting  
February 3, 2015

## Regular Meeting

The Morgan County Board of Education met in a regular session on Tuesday, February 3, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. at Greenwood Elementary School located at 8989 Winchester Grade Road, Berkeley Springs, WV.

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

Present were: Administrators – Joan Willard, Assistant Superintendent. Ann Bell, Treasurer. Directors – Kandy Kulus and Terry Riley. Others – Donna Myers, Barb Miller, Lori Edwards, Angela McKinney, Vickie Phillips, Esther Phillips, Laura Chaskes, Gerald Chaskes, Dianne Hale, Briar Hale, Ivy Hale, Kelly Moon Ryan Moon, Holly Yost, Mary Ellen Largent, Elizabeth Ann Jones, Heidi Bach-Arvin, Charles Jones, Abby Heironimus, Dale Heironimus, Mary Alice Hobday, Chris Crouse, Tracy Crouse, Kyle Unger, Dionis Platt, Brenda Somers, Zoe Weber, Dennis Graham, Remington Yost, John Shepherd, John Mirra, Ann McClintock and Betsy Buser. Media – Kate Evans, *Morgan Messenger*.

### I. Call to Order

Vice President Close called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

### II. Pledge of Allegiance

Abby Heironimus, a Greenwood student, led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

### III. Roll Call

All Board of Education members were present. President Ambrose attended via phone.

### IV. Approval of Agenda and Addenda

The board approved the Agenda and Addenda.

### V. Presentations

#### A. LSIC – Greenwood Elementary School

Representing Greenwood Elementary School were Barb Miller, Donna Myers, Lori Edwards, Angela McKinney, Vickie Phillips, Charles Jones, Gerald Chaskes, Ryan Moon, Dianne Hale, Briar Hale, Ivy Hale, Remington Yost, Dennis Graham and Zoe Weber. A report was provided addressing the following areas: school performance, curriculum, strategic plan, school climate, communication and facilities/maintenance.

B. Extra Miler Award

Extra Miler certificates were presented to the following individuals who serve Greenwood Elementary School. The Extra Miler award is presented to individuals who consistently go beyond job expectations and are a positive representative for the school/school system.

Gerald Chaskes  
Brenda Somers  
Briar Hale

Vickie Phillips  
Dianne Hale  
Ivy Hale

C. Morgan County Schools Strategic Plan

Kandy Kulus presented the Morgan County Strategic Plan.

VI. Reports/Communications

- A. President of the Board
- B. Board of Education Members
- C. Superintendent

NOTE: Superintendent Banks mentioned current legislation bills that could affect schools.

NOTE: Superintendent Banks stated that as of this meeting we have had five snow days and three 2-hour delays.

NOTE: Superintendent Banks discussed some upcoming changes to the Pre-K program.

VII. Public Comments: NONE

VIII. Consent Agenda (Action)

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

- A. Minutes of the January 20, 2015 Regular Meeting
- B. Payment of Bills
- C. Budget Adjustments (if necessary)
- D. Volunteers (WES, WSIS & BSHS)

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

IX. Personnel

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

- A. Professional Personnel
  - Resignation

1. Christina Vogt, Substitute Teacher, County, effective at the end of the day on January 30, 2015.
- Temporary/Part Time
    1. Sabra Maquire, Alternative Education/Flex, Paw Paw Schools, effective beginning February 4, 2015 for the 2014-2015 school year on an as/if needed basis.(015-164)
  - Unpaid Leave of Absence (Extension)
    1. William McLaughlan, Pre-School Special Needs Teacher, County effective from February 4, 2015 to March 2, 2015 due to family medical reasons.
- B. Service Personnel
- Employment
    1. Robin Vanorsdale, Cook II, Widmyer Elementary School, effective beginning February 9, 2015 contingent upon director approval.(015-192)
- C. Extracurricular/Extra Duty Assignment
- Employment
    1. Andrew Lam, Assistant Track Coach, Warm Springs Middle School, effective for the 2014-2015 school year.(015-191)
    2. Fred Sirbaugh, Assistant Softball Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2014-2015 school year, contingent upon having enough student athletes to field a team.(015-190)
    3. Rebecca Ryan, Head Coach – Running Events Only, Paw Paw Schools, effective for the 2014-2015 school year.(015-193)
    4. Deborah Ditto, After School Tutor, Warm Springs Intermediate School, effective February 4, 2015 on an as/if needed basis as scheduled by the administrator.(015-194)
    5. Crystal Boyles, After School Tutor, Warm Springs Intermediate School, effective February 4, 2015 on an as/if needed basis as scheduled by the administrator.(015-194)
    6. Harley Burcker, After School Tutor, Warm Springs Intermediate School, effective February 4, 2015 on an as/if needed basis as scheduled by the administrator.(015-194)
    7. Kelsea Schwartz, After School Tutor, Warm Springs Intermediate School, effective February 4, 2015 on an as/if needed basis as scheduled by the administrator.(015-194)
- D. Professional Staff Development
1. Compensate the following individuals for attending the New Teachers Academy on Thursday, January 22, 2015 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. – Funding Source – Title II
 

Natalie Kupchella	Sky Wagner
Carly Superick	Amber Emery
Brendan Byrne	Elizabeth Given
Lesa Rodrigues	Gillian Anderson
Harley Burcker	Wendy Webster
Patricia Byrne	

2. Compensate the following individuals for attending staff development on Effective Classroom Management Strategies on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. – Funding Source – Title II

Lewis Elias	Tiffany Hendershot
Christie Butts	Shanahan Elmore
Lorie Faith	Jennifer Fox
Susan Thomas	Christina Rose
Nicole Surface	Kelsea Schwartz
Harley Burcker	Deborah Ditto
Christal Akers	Wendy Powers
Mariah Lykins	

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

X. Program Planning

- A. Approval of one additional Pre-K Classroom at the Oakland site and changing 4 sites (Little Learners – Fairfax & Oakland, Great Cacapon and RESA Center- BS) to 5-full days for 2015-2016.

The board approved Agenda Item X.A – Program Planning

XI. Budget/Finance

- A. Approve of change: substitute track coach for softball coach at Paw Paw Schools for \$1,200 on Supplemental Salary Schedule

The board approved Agenda Item XI.A – Budget/Finance

XII. Out-of-State Travel

- A. Berkeley Springs High School RAZE Organization and Freshman, JV & Varsity Boys Basketball Teams to Baltimore, MD to attend the Colonial Athletic Association Conference Basketball Tournament on Saturday, March 7, 2015 – Funding Source – RAZE & Boys Basketball Fundraisers

The board approved Agenda Item XII.A – Out-of-State Travel

XIII. Calendar of Events

February 17	Regular Meeting, 5:30 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct Hearings on Reduction in Force (6:15)</li> <li>• LSIC – Warm Springs Middle (5:30)</li> </ul>	Warm Springs Middle
February 24	Special Meeting, 6:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action on Reduction in Force (if necessary)</li> </ul>	Board Office
March 3	Regular Meeting, 5:30 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct hearings on transfers (6:15)</li> <li>• LSIC – Berkeley Springs High School (5:30)</li> </ul>	Berkeley Springs High
March 5	Special Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	Board Office

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March 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action on transfers</li> <li>• LSIC – Paw Paw Schools</li> </ul> Special Meeting, 6:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget Work Session</li> <li>• Set Levy Proposed Rates</li> </ul>	Board Office

XIV. Adjournment

The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:56 p.m.