

Board Update

Board Members

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

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Board Meeting
January 19, 2016

The Morgan County Board of Education met in a regular session on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, 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, Pat Springer and Laura Smith, Members, and David Banks, Superintendent, were present.

Present were: Administrators – Kristen Tuttle, Assistant Superintendent; Ann Bell, Treasurer. Others – Pete Gordon, Kiara Hess, Cody Laing, Wesley Colyer, Benjamin King, Maya Iliff, Tamara Bittorf, Ben Michael, Cody Cottle, Devin Myer, Lauren Holt, Candice Pennington, Aaron Sorg, Tori Via, David Gerda, Dylan Beddow, Jeromy Duelle, Jamie Harris, Mitch Nida, Linda Crawford, Lori Michael, Leigh Jenkins, Elizabeth Springer, Kaitlyn Hashem, Brenda Hashem, Michael Powell and Betsy Buser. Media – Kate Evans, *Morgan Messenger*.

Band Director, Ian Helmick and the Berkeley Springs High School Jazz Band provided music prior to the meeting. Those band members present were: Hannah Abdelaal, Wesley Colyer, Cody Cottle, Kiara Hess, Maya Iliff, Benjamin King, Cody Laing, Benjamin Michael and Devin Myer.

I. Call to Order

President Ambrose called the meeting to order 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. Presentations

A. LSIC – Berkeley Springs High School

Representing Berkeley Springs High School were Mitchell Nida, Jamie Harris, Jeromy Duelle, Pete Gordon, David Gerda, Dylan Beddow, Candice Pennington, Aaron Sorg, Leigh Jenkins, Elizabeth Spring, Ian Helmick and Michael Wilder. A report was provided addressing the

following areas: school performance, curriculum, strategic plan, school climate, communication and facilities/maintenance.

VI. Reports/Communications

A. President of the Board

B. Board of Education Members

NOTE: Aaron Close inquired if the board would be interested in any pursuit of the building that was formally Berkeley Grade School.

NOTE: Mrs. Smith attended the County Science Fair last weekend and was impressed with the quality of our student's projects. Congrats to those who participated.

C. Superintendent

NOTE: Superintendent Banks noted that he and several central office administrators will be conducting mock OEPA visits at each of the county schools.

VII. Public Comments: NONE

VIII. Consent Agenda (Action)

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

A. Minutes of the December 30, 2015 Hearing and January 5, 2016 Regular Meeting

B. Payment of Bills

C. Budget Adjustments (if necessary)

D. Volunteers

The board approved the Consent Agenda.

IX. Personnel

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

A. Professional Personnel

- Employment

1. Johanna Murray, Substitute Teacher, County, effective beginning January 20, 2016 for the 2015-2016 school year, contingent upon meeting employment requisites.
2. Michael Everson, Substitute Teacher, County, effective beginning January 20, 2016 for the 2015-2016 school year, contingent upon meeting employment requisites.
3. Tracey Grassi, Substitute Teacher, County, effective beginning January 20, 2016 for the 2015-2016 school year, contingent upon meeting employment requisites.
4. Ciro Grassi, Substitute Teacher, County, effective beginning January 20, 2016 for the 2015-2016 school year, contingent upon meeting employment requisites.
5. Tamora Marggraf, Substitute Teacher, County, effective on January 20, 2016, contingent upon meeting employment requisites.
6. Christin Adkins, Substitute Teacher, County, effective on January 20, 2016, contingent upon meeting employment requisites.

- Retirement

1. Colleen Stotler, Kindergarten Teacher, Widmyer Elementary School, effective at the end of the day on June 30, 2016.

B. Service Personnel

- Employment

1. Marshall Stotler, Mechanic, County, effective beginning with January 20, 2016, contingent upon meeting employment requisites.(016-215)

- Rescind Employment

1. David Srievers, Substitute Custodian, County, effective January 20, 2016.
2. Kathy Zeigler, Substitute Aide, County, effective January 20, 2016.

- Unpaid Leave of Absence

1. Mary Collins, Aide, Warm Springs Middle School from January 9, 2016 through February 5, 2016 for medical reasons.

C. Extracurricular/Extra Duty Assignment

- Employment

1. Approve the following individual for pre/post supervision effective for the 2015-2016 school year on as/if needed basis (016-153):

Berkeley Springs High School
Les Morris

2. Robert Jeffrey Palmer, Assistant Boys Basketball 6-8 Coach, Paw Paw Schools, effective for the remainder of the 2015- 2016 season.(016-217)
3. Dave Aberegg, Assistant Track Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective beginning with January 20, 2016.(016-211)
4. David Munday, Head Track Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective beginning with January 20, 2016.(016-210)
5. Adam Keeling, Head Coach – Track/Running Sports Only, Paw Paw Schools, effective beginning January 20, 2016.(016-212)
6. Andrew Lam, Head Track Coach, Warm Springs Middle School, effective beginning with January 20, 2016.(016-213)
7. Robert Dugan, MC After 3 Teacher, Warm Springs Middle School, effective for the 2015-2016 school year on an as/if needed basis as scheduled with Site Coordinator.(016-160)

A motion was made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mr. Close, and unanimously passed by those present to approve all of Agenda Item IX with the exception of C-3 and C-4.

The board approved Agenda Item IX.C-3 & C-4. Mr. Rowland recused himself from the vote.

X. Budget/Finance

- A. Approve Cooperative Agreement between Morgan County Schools and Morgan County Parks and Recreation Alex Rickli Memorial Part Bio-retention Practices.

The board approved the Agenda Item X.A.

XI. Calendar of Events

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| February 2 | Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSIC – Greenwood Elementary | Greenwood Elementary |
| February 16 | Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSIC – Warm Springs Middle• Conduct Hearings on Reduction in Force (if necessary)• Potential Action on Reduction in Force | Warm Springs Middle |
| February 17 | Special Meeting, 6:00 p.m. (if necessary) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conduct Hearings on Reduction in Force (if necessary)• Potential Action on Reduction in Force | Board Office |
| March 1 | Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSIC – Widmyer Elementary School• Mid-Year Financial Review• Conduct Hearings on Transfers (if necessary)• Potential Action on Transfers | Widmyer Elementary |
| March 3 | Special Meeting, 6:00 p.m. (if necessary) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conduct Hearings on Transfers (if necessary)• Potential Action on Transfers | Board Office |
| March 15 | Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSIC – Paw Paw Schools• Set Levy Proposed Rates• Calendar Hearing | Paw Paw Schools |
| March 28-April 1 | Spring Break | |
| April 5 | Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSIC – Warm Springs Intermediate• Calendar Hearing• Action on rehiring probationary service and professional personnel | Warm Springs Intermediate |
| April 19 | Rescheduled Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LSIC – Pleasant View Elementary• Adopt Levy Rates• Approve Budget for Publication | Pleasant View |

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:41 p.m.