

# Board Update

## Board Members

David Ambrose, President  
Aaron Close, Vice President  
Pete Gordon  
John Rowland

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Board Meeting  
May 22, 2018

The Morgan County Board of Education met in a regular session on Tuesday, May 22, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at the Board of Education Office, 247 Harrison Avenue, Berkeley Springs, WV.

David Ambrose, President presided. Aaron Close, Laura Smith, Pete Gordon and John Rowland, Members, and Erich May, Superintendent, were present.

Present were: Treasurer, Ann Bell; Directors – Joan Willard, Jamie Harris & Russell Penner. Others- Rachel Hopkins, Eric Lyda, Michael Stanger, Frank Kucharski, John Wakelin, Amy Penner, Steve Buser and Betsy Buser. Media – Kate Evans, *Morgan Messenger*.

## I. Call to Order

President Ambrose called the meeting to order at 6:59 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. Presentation – Knights of Columbus

The board presented Knights of Columbus Members, Michael Stanger, Frank Kucharski and John Wakelin a certificate in appreciation of their contributions to Morgan County Schools.

## VI. Public Hearing – Proposed Budget for 2018-2019 (as required by WV Code 18-5-4)

NOTE: The budget was made available for public inspection by a Notice of Public Hearing published as Class I legal advertisement in the *Morgan Messenger*.

Public Comments: None

## VII. Reports/Communications

- A. President of the Board
- B. Board of Education Members  
NOTE: Mr. Gordon noted how great it was to celebrate student success at the Senior Awards Program.
- C. Superintendent  
NOTE: Superintendent May highlighted the financial generosity of the communities both in Berkeley Springs and Paw Paw towards our high school graduates with scholarships.

VIII. Public Comments: None

IX. Consent Agenda (Action)

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

- A. Minutes of the May 10, 2018 Regular Meeting
- B. Payment of Bills
- C. Budget Adjustments (if necessary)
- D. Volunteers

The board approved the Consent Agenda.

X. Personnel

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

A. Professional Personnel

1. Resignation

- a. Dale Wurster, .4 Art Teacher, Pleasant View Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2018-2018 school year.
- b. Michael Powell, School Psychologists, County, effective at the end of the day on June 15, 2018.
- c. Julie Hoover, Fourth Grade Teacher, Warm Springs Intermediate School, effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

2. Employment

- a. Jared Spielman, Substitute Teacher, County, effective beginning May 23, 2018, for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year and the 2018-2019 school year.
- b. Chelsea Fischer, Substitute Teacher, County, effective beginning May 23, 2018, for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year and the 2018-2019 school year.

3. Correction

- a. Correct Board of Education Minutes dated May 1, 2018, to reflect Nicole Hiles employment date be moved from July 2, 2018 to July 9, 2018.

B. Service Personnel

1. Resignation

- a. Lucinda Swaim, Substitute Aide, Substitute Cook, Substitute Custodian, County, effective at the end of the day on May 22, 2018.
2. Rescind Employment for the following substitutes hired at the May 1, 2018 meeting:
  - a. Ramona Beddow, Substitute Clerk, County
3. Rehire the following substitute personnel effective for the 2018-2019 school year:
 

Custodian  
Flynn, Tim
4. Rescind RIF and Reassign
  - a. Candy Chamberlin, .5 Secretary, County, rescind RIF and reassign to .5 Secretary, County, effective with the 2018-2019 school year.
5. Employment
  - a. Letitia McCusker, .5 Cook II, Widmyer Elementary School, effective beginning May 23, 2018. (018-288)

C. Extracurricular/Extra Duty Assignment

1. Resignation

- a. Jeff Palmer, Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, Paw Paw Schools, effective at the end of the day on May 15, 2018.
- b. Jeff Palmer, Assistant Girls Volleyball Coach, Paw Paw Schools, effective at the end of the day on May 15, 2018.
- c. Matt Puffenberger, Head Football Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective at the end of the day on May 10, 2018.
- d. Matt Puffenberger, Strength Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective at the end of the day on May 10, 2018.

2. Employment

- a. Lucas Andrews, Assistant Wrestling Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2018-2019 school year, contingent upon having enough student athletes to field a team. (019-015)
- b. Jeannie Harris, Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2018-2019 school year, contingent upon having enough student athletes to field a team. (019-014)
- c. Tamara Didawick, Head Girls Varsity Cheer Coach (Fall), Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2018-2019 school year, contingent upon having enough student athletes to field a team. (019-007)
- d. Tamara Didawick, Head Girls Varsity Cheer Coach (Winter), Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2018-2019 school year, contingent upon having enough student athletes to field a team. (019-009)

- e. Carrie Polliard, Assistant Cheer Coach (Fall), Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2018-2019 school year, contingent upon having enough student athletes to field a team. (019-008)
- f. Carrie Polliard, Assistant Cheer Coach (Winter), Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2018-2019 school year, contingent upon having enough student athletes to field a team. (019-010)
- g. Chad Brinegar, Head Boys Varsity Basketball Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2018-2019 school year. (019-012)
- h. Cheryl Will, Site Coordinator/Teacher Camp MoCo Summer Program, Widmyer Elementary School, effective from June 18, 2018 to June 29, 2018.(018-282)
- i. Summer McClintock, Site Coordinator/Teacher Camp MoCo Summer Program, Pleasant View Elementary School, effective from July 2, 2018 to July 13, 2018.(018-283)
- j. Lorie Faith, Site Coordinator/Teacher Camp MoCo Summer Program, Warm Springs Intermediate School, effective from July 16, 2018 to June 27, 2018.(018-284)
- k. Shanahan Elmore, Teacher Camp MoCo Summer Program, Warm Springs Intermediate School ,effective from July 16, 2018 to July 27, 2017.(018-287)
- l. Tammi Stotler, Assistant Volleyball Coach, Berkeley Springs High School, effective beginning with the 2018-2019 school year.(019-002)

D. Professional Staff Development

E. Supplemental Salary Schedule

- 1. Approve changes to supplemental salary schedule beginning with the 2018-2019 school year.

The board approved the Personnel Agenda.

XI. Budget/Finance

- A. Adopt Morgan County’s proposed budget for 2018-2019, pending approval by the State Board of Education – Ann Bell

The board approved Agenda Item XI.A.

- B. Approve remainder of Step 7 Plan for 2018-2019 – Ann Bell

The board approved Agenda Item XI.B.

XII. Out of State Travel

- A. Meghan Powell and Chase Newton and 47 BSHS 10<sup>th</sup> Graders to Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, DC on May 29, 2018 – Funding Source – BSHS school funds

The board approved Agenda Item XII.A.

- B. Rachel Hopkins and Amber Guthrie and 13-19 BSHS Students and 6 PPHS Students to Newseum, Washington, DC on June 1, 2018 – Funding Source –BSHS Newspaper and HERO’s Club

The board approved Agenda Item XII.B.

XIII. Executive Session

The board entered into executive session pursuant to West Virginia Code 6-9A-4(2)(A) to discuss personnel at 7:43 p.m. President Ambrose reconvened the meeting to open session at 8:14 p.m. No action was taken.

XIV. Superintendent Election and Appointment

A. The Board will consider and may approve a contract of employment with Erich May to serve as Superintendent of Schools for a term of two years to begin on July 1, 2018.

A motion was made by Mr. Rowland, seconded by Mrs. Smith, and unanimously passed by those present to elect and appoint Erich May as Superintendent of Schools for a two-year term commencing July 1, 2018 with a salary of \$105,120 for July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019 and for \$107,223 for July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020.

XV. Calendar of Events

May 23	Graduation, Alternative Education Program, 6:30 p.m.	
May 24	Graduation, Berkeley Springs High School, 5:30 p.m.	
May 25	Graduation, Paw Paw High School, 7:00 p.m.	
June 5	Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.	BSHS
	• Spring Student Awards, 6:30 p.m.	
	- Ice Cream Social, 6:00 p.m.	
	• Employee Recognition 6:30 p.m.	
June 7	Retirement Celebration, 6:00 p.m.	Cacapon
June 19	Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.	Board Office
July 2	Regular Meeting, 9:00 a.m.	Board Office

XVI. Adjournment

The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:22 p.m.