

Board Update

Board Members

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

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Board Meeting
May 2, 2016

The Morgan County Board of Education met in a regular session on Monday, May 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Board of Education Offices located at 247 Harrison Avenue, Berkeley Springs, WV.

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

Present were: Administrators – Kristen Tuttle, Assistant Superintendent; Ann Bell, Treasurer; Directors – Joyce White, Tom Shade and Kandy Kulus. Others –Pete Gordon, Beth Michael, Amy Emmerling, Michael Powell and Betsy Buser. Media – Kate Evans, *Morgan Messenger*.

I. Call to Order

President Ambrose called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 except Laura Smith.

IV. Approval of Agenda and Addenda

- Amendment to Agenda

Remove Agenda Item X.B.3 from personnel agenda.

The board approved the Agenda and Addenda as amended.

V. Public Hearing – Proposed Budget for 2016-2017 (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.

Any person wishing to speak or question any part of the budget will have an opportunity to do so.

Public Comments: None

VI. Out-of-State Travel

- A. Paw Paw 12th Grade Students to Six Flags America in Washington, DC on May 20, 2016 departing at 10:00 a.m. and returning at approximately 1:00 a.m. – Funding Source – PPHS Class of 2016 Fund

The board approved Agenda Item VI.A.

VII. Presentations

- A. CNN Video Clip of Norman Kleiss
Mr. Norman "Dusty" Kleiss was the last surviving dive-bomber from the Battle of Midway. He was a former BSHS Teacher.
- B. Pre-K Update
Kandy Kulus, gave an overview of the Pre-K program, including recent updates.
- C. Safety/Maintenance Plan
Joyce White and Tom Shade gave an update on Safety Projects as well as on the Facilities Maintenance Priority Listing.

VIII. Finance/Budget

- A. Adopt Morgan County's proposed budget for 2016-2017, pending approval by the State Board of Education – Ann Bell

The board approved Agenda Item VIII.A.

- B. Approve the Pre-Kindergarten collaborative contract with Head Start/RESAVIII for fiscal year 2016-2017 – Ann Bell and Kandy Kulus

By mutual agreement by those present Agenda Item VIII.B was tabled.

IX. Reports/Communications

- A. President of the Board
NOTE: Mr. Ambrose informed the members of a Draft Student Achievement Goal sheet in their packets.
- B. Board of Education Members
NOTE: Mrs. Springer noted that some former BSHS students will be a part of the Fantasticks performing at the Ice House May 12-15.
- C. Superintendent
NOTE: Superintendent Banks noted that Michael Powell received the Outstanding Delivery of School Psychological Services Award.
NOTE: Superintendent Banks stated there will be a Building and Grounds meeting on Friday, May 6, 2016.
NOTE: Superintendent Banks reminded members that schools will be closed on Tuesday, May 10th due to the elections and that Friday, May 13th is a two hour dismissal.
NOTE: Superintendent Banks noted that there will be a discussion at the May 17th meeting to discuss the future use of Greenwood Elementary.

X. Public Comments: None

XI. Consent Agenda (Action)

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

- A. Minutes of the April 19, 2016 Regular Meeting and the Reconvened March 15, 2016 Special Meeting
- B. Payment of Bills
- C. Budget Adjustments (if necessary)
- D. Volunteers

The board approved the Consent Agenda.

XII. Calendar of Events

May 17	Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Student Awards (Academic & Athletic)• Ice Cream Social, 6:30	BSHS
May 25	Graduation, Alternative Education Program, 6:30 p.m.	
May 26	Graduation, Berkeley Springs High School, 6:30 p.m.	
May 27	Graduation, Paw Paw High School, 7:00 p.m.	
June 7	Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Employee Awards	Board Office
June 21	Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m.	Board Office

XIII. Personnel

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

- A. Professional Personnel
 - Remove From Transfer and Assign
 1. Dennis Graham, assigned as 1.0 Counselor, Widmyer Elementary School/Pleasant View Elementary School/Greenwood Elementary School, remove from transfer and assign to position of .6 Counselor, Widmyer Elementary; .4 Counselor, Pleasant View Elementary beginning with the 2016-17 school year.
 2. Margaret Hill, assigned as Itinerant Title I Teacher, Pleasant View Elementary/Greenwood Elementary, remove from transfer and assign to position of Itinerant Title I Teacher, Pleasant View Elementary/Widmyer Elementary beginning with the 2016-17 school year.
 - Employment
 1. Leigh Jenkins, Substitute Teacher, County, effective with the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year.
- B. Service Personnel
 - Remove from Transfer and Reassign for 2016-2017 school year:

1. Robin Fleece, Bus Operator assigned to Transportation, remove from transfer and reassign to Transportation as Bus Operator – Bus 14-08 with route changes, effective at the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year.
 2. Cathy MacCumbee, Bus Operator assigned to Transportation, remove from transfer and reassign to Transportation as Bus Operator – Bus 14-06 with route changes, effective at the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year.
 3. Tammi Day, Bus Operator assigned to Transportation, remove from transfer and reassign to Transportation as Bus Operator – Bus 13-05 with route changes, effective at the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year.
 4. Roger Steiner, Bus Operator - Bus 180 assigned to Transportation, remove from transfer and reassign to Transportation as Bus Operator – Bus 1304, effective beginning with the 2016-2017 school year.(017-005)
- Transfer
 1. Josh Place, Bus Operator – Bus 1407, Transportation, to Bus Operator – Bus 191, Transportation, effective beginning with the 2016-2017 school year.(017-004)
 2. Lisa Eader, Cook II, Pleasant View Elementary School to Cook II, Widmyer Elementary School, effective for the 2016-2017 school year.(017-002)
 3. Echo Stotler, Clerk II, Warm Springs Intermediate School to Clerk II, Berkeley Springs High School, effective for the 2016-2017 school year.(017-001)
 - Discussion/Action on Superintendent’s recommendation for disciplinary action against a service personnel employee.

Superintendent Banks recommended a five (5) day suspension to a service employee, retroactive to April 27, 2016, in accordance with W.Va. Code 18A-2-8.

The board approved Agenda Item XIII except for Superintendent’s discussion/action item.

XIV. Executive Session

The board entered into executive session pursuant to West Virginia Code 6-9A-4(2)(A) to discuss personnel matters. The Board entered into executive session at 8:42 p.m. President Ambrose reconvened the meeting to open session at 8:54 p.m.

The board voted to accept the Superintendent’s recommendation to suspend Steve Dawson, retroactive to April 27, 2016, in accordance with W.Va. Code 18A-2-8.

XV. Adjournment

The meeting was duly adjourned at 9:05 p.m.