

Board Update

Board Members

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

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Board Meeting
May 20, 2014

Regular Meeting

The Morgan County Board of Education met in a regular session on Tuesday, May 20, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at the Board of Education Offices located at 247 Harrison Avenue, Berkeley Springs, WV.

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

Present were Administrator – Joan Willard, Assistant Superintendent and Nancy White, Treasurer. Directors – Kandy Kulus, Kristen Tuttle and Terry Riley. Others – Rhett Beckman, Dick Myers, Joan Myers, Catherine Myers, Judy Footon, Tonya Fitzgerald, Bryan Heironimus, Stacy Heironimus, Susan Caperton, Stephanie Fox, Jason Fox, Kim Golden, JoAnn Blankley, Rebecca Montague, Angie Hott, Dan Hott, Violet Hott, Isaac Hott, Levi Hott, Bobbie McBee, Mary McBee, Angela King, Jakob King, Paul Allen, Sandy Kidwell, Michael Kidwell, Shirley Stotler, Rick Stotler, Bradley Kidwell, Brandi Kidwell, Paula Banks, Alex Banks, Carol Coryea, Kelly Cooney, Andrew Cooney, Abi Cooney, Ceanna Cooney, Micah Cooney, Serenity Wise, Ann Bell, Angela Stohl, David Stohl, David Stohl III, Olivia Stohl, Hannah Stohl, John Stohl, Rebecca Brown-Wilson, Tina Burton, Autumn Burton, Darleen Miller, Carl Miller, Carleen Kelly, Tim Kelly, Kyleen Kelly, Vanessa Fox, Derrick Fox, Meghan Fox, Richard Rightnour, Brian Crespo, Stacey Crespo, Elizabeth Golden, Stephanie Golden, Charles Jones, Don Swaim, Sue Guidara, Tony Guidara, Wesley Colyer, Cameron Wee, Josh Newlon, Tori Reed, Tally Reed, Ken Reed, Kinsey Reed, Amanda Lupton, Rayne Bailey, Brenda Bailey, Sharon Guidara, Kindle Gill, Rayannon Davies, Stephanie Golden, Taya Davies, Samantha Allen, Katie Caperton, Leah Reed, Jaymie Adkins, Katherine McLaughlin, Casey Youngblood, Matt Slovinsky, Stacy Slovinsky, Holden Rohm, Landon Bailey, Luke Hatcher, Ethan Hatcher, Logan Heironimus, Tiffany Youngblood, Brittany Youngblood, Tammy Youngblood, Meagan Doherty, Jacob Crespo, Caden Gates, Debbie Gates, Curtis Gates, Brooke Fox, Mathew Kidwell, Andrew Kurtz, Delia Maguire, Amanda Benson, Trinity Vanorsdale, Tyler Orr, Christopher Dodson, Morgan Golden, Rodney Strawderman, Beth Strawderman, Allyson Strawderman, Chelsea Breeden, Robert Leary, David Robinson, Allissa Guinta, and Betsy Buser. Media – Kate Evans, *Morgan Messenger*.

I. Call to Order

Vice President Close called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice President Close 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. Student Awards (Athletic, WV Young Writers, Regional Math Field Day, Regional Social Studies Fair, Regional Science Fair, Jr. Regional Science Fair, Technical Student Association, WESTEST2, AP Scholars, Golden Horseshoe, JRTI Pro-Start Hospitality Education and Training, JRTI Health Occupations Student Association, JRTI Skills USA and JRTI VIZZI Awards)
- B. Extra Miler
An Extra Miler certificates ws presented to the following individual who serves Berkeley Springs Head Start. The Extra Miler award is presented to individuals who consistently go beyond job expectations and are a positive representative for the school/school system.

Tonya Fitzgerald

VI. Reports/Communications

- A. President of the Board
NOTE: President Ambrose noted that voters this time had a better over-all understanding of the levy.
- B. Board of Education Members
NOTE: Mr. Close commented on the amazing voter turn-out for the election and that now we can concentrate on Every Child, Every Day.
NOTE: Mr. Rowland noted that with the election behind us now is the time for community healing; to unite for the common ground and be stronger because of it.
- C. Superintendent
NOTE: Superintendent Banks thanked the citizens of Morgan County for their support and faith in the school board leadership.

VII. Public Comments: None

VIII. Consent Agenda (Action)

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

- A. Minutes of the May 6, 2014 Regular Meeting
- B. Payment of Bills
- C. Volunteers (Warm Springs Middle School and Widmyer Elementary)
- D. Budget Adjustments (if necessary)
- E. In/Out of County Transfers

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

- Employment
 1. Tamela Forte, Substitute Teacher, County, effective May 21, 2014.
- Transfer
 1. Ann Bell, Payroll Manager, Central Office to Treasurer/Chief School Business Official/ Central Office, effective July 1, 2014. (015-002)
 2. Rhett Beckman, Assistant Principal, Warm Springs Middle School, to Principal, Widmyer Elementary School, effective July 1, 2014.(015-001)
- Resignation
 1. Terra Freeman, Substitute Teacher, County, effective at the end of the day May 19, 2014.
 2. Nicole Buffington-DeMarco, Counselor, Warm Springs Middle School, effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school term.

B. Service Personnel

- Unpaid Leave of Absence
 1. Kara Cottle, Bus Operator, Transportation, from May 7, 2014 to June 10, 2014, due to medical reasons.
 2. Deborah Wilson, Cook, Warm Springs Middle School, effective beginning April 11, 2014, through the end of the 2013-2014 school term, due to medical reasons.

C. Extracurricular/Extra Duty Assignment

- Employment
 1. Pam Gloyd, Summer Elementary Teacher, Warm Springs Middle School, effective June 20, 2014. (015-004)
 2. Lorie Faith, Substitute Summer Elementary Teacher, Warm Springs Middle School, effective June 20, 2014.(015-004)
 3. Gena Giumarro, Summer Elementary Teacher, Warm Springs Middle School, effective June 20, 2014.(015-004)
 4. Margaret Hill, Substitute Summer Elementary Teacher, Warm Springs Middle School, effective June 20, 2014.(015-004)
 5. Shanahan Elmore, Substitute Summer Elementary Teacher, Warm Springs Middle School, effective June 20, 2014.(015-004)

The Board approved Agenda Item IX.A-C-Personnel

X. Executive Session

The Board entered into executive session at 8:20 p.m. Vice President Close reconvened the meeting to open session at 8:40 p.m. Action was taken during personnel hearing later in the meeting.

XI. Personnel Hearing/Action

The Board conducted a personnel hearing pursuant to WV Code 18A-2-8(a).

- A. Recommendation of the Superintendent for disciplinary action against a service personnel employee.

The Board accepted the Superintendent's recommendation to suspend service personnel employee Rick Vanorsdale, Custodian, Berkeley Springs High School, retroactive to May 8, 2014 without pay, indefinite.

XII. Superintendent Election and Appointment

By mutual agreement by those present Agenda Item XII was tabled for further discussion until the May 28, 2014 meeting.

XIII. Out-of-State Travel

- A. Chris Poniris and Carol Coryea along with six Paw Paw students to National TSA Conference in Washington, D.C., June 26-July 1, 2014. Funding Source – Vocational

The Board approved Agenda Item XIII.A.

XIV. Program Development

- A. Approve MECH 120 Fluid Power to be taught jointly with Blue Ridge Community Technical College and Paw Paw High School as a dual credit course and an elective for the Science/Technology/Engineering/Math (STEM) program.

The Board approved Agenda Item XIV.A.

XV. Budget/Finance

- A. Approve Chambers Chiropractic & Acupuncture to perform physicals/drug testing for bus operators –Joyce White

The Board approved Agenda Item XV.A.

- B. Approve the Pre-Kindergarten collaborative contract with Head Start/RESA VIII for fiscal year 2014-2015 – Nancy White and Kandy Kulus

The Board approved Agenda Item XV.B.

- C. Approve the Pre-Kindergarten collaborative contract with Little Learners Village for fiscal year 2014-2015 – Nancy White and Kandy Kulus

The Board approved Agenda Item XV.C.

- D. Approve KOREnergy Enrollment Agreement for Demand Response/Reliability Programs

The Board approved Agenda Item XV.D.

- E. Approve the 2014-2015 Proposed Levy Rates and authorize forwarding of same to the State Auditor and the State Department of Education.

The Board approved Agenda Item XV.E.

XVI. Executive Session

The Board entered into executive session pursuant to West Virginia Code 6-9A-4 to discuss personnel matters due to the passing of the levy. The Board entered into executive session at 9:30 p.m. Vice President Close reconvened the meeting to open session at 10:09 p.m.

XVII. Calendar of Events

May 21	Graduation, Alternative Education Program, 6:30 p.m.	
May 22	Graduation, Berkeley Springs High School, 6:30 p.m.	
May 23	Graduation, Paw Paw High School, 7:00 p.m.	
June 3	Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Board Office
June 9	End of Year Program 10:00 a.m.	BSHS
June 16	Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Board Office

XVI. Adjournment

This meeting will reconvene at a Special Meeting on May 28, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.