

**Hardy County Schools
Regular School Board Meeting
Hardy County Board of Education Office
December 18, 2017**

Members Present:

Nancy Hahn, President
Douglas Hines, Vice President
Dixie Bean
Margaret Shriver
Douglas Boswell

Administrators Present:

Sheena Van Meter, Interim Superintendent
Jody Shewbridge, Director of Human Resources/Attendance
Steve Williams, Director of Administrative Programs
Veeta Burgess, Director of Finance

Others Present:

Shawn Cullers
Jean Flanagan
Nancy Hill
Charles Hill
Renee Reed
Caitlyn Ward
Carrie Vance
Camden Link

Public Comments:

I. Call to Order – President

Nancy Hahn, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Prayer

Douglas Boswell opened the meeting with prayer.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Douglas Hines led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Introductions

Introductions were made around the room.

V. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Douglas Hines, seconded by Margaret Shriver, to approve the agenda with updated personnel actions.

5-0 motion carried

VI. Presentations

A. 8th Grade Science Class – EHEMS – Renee Reed

Ms. Renee Reed, East Hardy Early Middle School Science Teacher, gave a presentation on the 8th grade science class fieldtrip. Thirty-nine students and seven chaperones went to the Shenandoah River with River and Trail Outfitters. The students crossed over six miles in the river during the exposition. During the river quest field school, the students were exposed to at least thirty-five educational standards ranging from science, physical education, health, history, agriculture and counseling. Students learned about the Chesapeake Water Shed and the importance of how it effects the communittee. Students also were taught the effects that we have on the bay and how we can help preserve the water.

Ms. Caitlyn Ward and Mr. Camden Link, 8th grade students, shared with the Board what they learned on the fieldtrip. Some examples were; teamwork, canoeing, what a watershed does, how we effect the rivers, and how the water was clear in the 1800's and how it has changed overtime.

The Heishman Foundation Grant helped to fund this fieldtrip and made it possible for the students with little cost.

VII. Public Comments

Ms. Jean Flanagan, citizen of Hardy County, thanked the schools for keeping the students safe. Ms. Flanagan, during a visit to one of the schools, found all the classroom doors to be locked and secure.

VIII. Consent Items

- A. Special Board Minutes – December 4, 2017
- B. Board Minutes – December 4, 2017
- C. Bank Reconciliation – November 30, 2017
- D. Treasurer's Report – November 30, 2017
- E. Budget Journal Entries
- F. Invoices to be Approved
- G. Transportation Request

- January 8-9, 2018 – Rebecca Holler – FFA – EHEMS – Harrisburg, PA
- January 10, 2018 – Cody Dent – FFA – MHS – Harrisburg, PA
- January 12-13, 2018 – T.J. Van Meter – Wrestling Team – MHS – Flatwoods, WV
- January 19-20, 2018 – T.J. Van Meter – Wrestling Team – MHS – Clarksburg, WV

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Margaret Shriver, the Board approved Consent Items.

5-0 motion carried

IX. Unfinished Business

A. Discussion of SBA Visit

Ms. Sheena Van Meter, Interim Superintendent, informed the Board on the meeting held with the School Building Authority. Ms. Sheena Van Meter, Mr. Steven Williams, and Ms. Veeta Burgess met with Mr. Scott Raines and Mr. Mike Alt with the School Building Authority.

The meeting was held in hopes to obtain more funding on bills paid out of county funds for the high school projects. There is money left in the high school project and Ms. Burgess and Mr. Williams are looking at old bills from the projects that may be reimbursable to the county.

B. Discussion of Main Street Project

Mr. Steven Williams, Director of Administrative Programs, contacted Mr. Patrick Kirby, Brownfields, to set-up a meeting. Mr. Kirby will hold a phone conference with Ms. Van Meter, Mr. Williams, and Ms. Mallie Combs on Thursday, December 21, 2017. Mr. Kirby will also hold a meeting the week of January 16, 2018 with the parties.

C. Discussion of East Hardy Early Middle School Project

Mr. Steve Williams - Director of Administrative Programs, provided the Board with an update on the East Hardy Early Middle School Project. The roof inspection will be this coming week for the final portion of the roof to be completed. The HVAC is 99% completed at this time with some minor adjustments. Darnold Mechanical will be here Wednesday, December 20, 2017 to tune up the broiler to make it more effective in the schools.

X. New Business

A. Audit Preview

Ms. Veeta Burgess, Director of Finance, informed the Board there were no audit findings in the financial audit held the week of December 11, 2017.

B. Approval of Student Attendance Policy – JDJ

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Margaret Shriver, the Board approved Student Attendance Policy – JDJ, with minor corrections, for first reading.

5-0 motion carried

C. Approval of Removal of Hardy County Schools Beginning Teacher/Administrator Mentor Policy – GCE

On the motion of Margaret Shriver, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board approved the removal of Hardy County Schools Beginning Teacher/Administrator Mentor Policy – GCE from the Hardy County Schools Policy Manual.

5-0 motion carried

D. In County/Out of County Transfers

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Margaret Shriver, the Board voted to approve the following transfers.

- A. K. from East Hardy Early Middle School to Moorefield Intermediate School
- A. K. from East Hardy Early Middle School to Moorefield Elementary School
- C. M. from Hampshire County to Hardy County

5-0 motion carried

XI. Future Agenda Items

- Curriculum Update
- iReady Reports – January 16, 2018

XII. Announcements

- January 2, 2018 – Hardy County Board of Education Meeting – BOE – 6:00 p.m.
- January 12, 2018 – East Hardy High School and Moorefield High School will be recognized for having a graduation rate of 90% or higher.
- December 20, 2017 – Christmas Program – East Hardy High School

XIII. Mission Statements/Accomplishments

- The Board commended Ms. Renee Reed's eight grade class for the wonderful presentation of the 8th grade fieldtrip to the Shenandoah River.

XIV. Personnel

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Margaret Shriver, the Board approved the following:

Service Personnel Hirings:

- Peggy Freed: Custodian II, EHEMS/EHHS, effective January 2, 2018
- Teresa Myers: Supervisory Aide II, Special Education, Itinerant, MIS, effective 2018-2019 SY
- Tevya Weatherholtz: Substitute Aide, effective 2017-2018 SY

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Margaret Shriver, the Board approved the following:

Professional Personnel Hiring:

- Bridget Sions: English Language Arts Teacher, Long Term Substitute for Leave of Absence, MMS, effective January 2, 2018 until end of the 2017-2018 SY

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Margaret Shriver, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board approved the following:

Extra-Curricular Professional Hiring:

- Michelle Holstein: Student Assistance Team Coordinator, EHEMS, effective 2017-2018 SY

5-0 motion carried

XV. Adjournment

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Margaret Shriver, the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

5-0 motion carried

Nancy Hahn, President

Sheena Van Meter, Secretary