

Hardy County Schools
Regular School Board Meeting
Hardy County Board of Education Office
October 7, 2019

Members Present:

Nancy Hahn, President
Douglas Hines, Vice President
Dixie Bean
Melvin Shook Jr.
Jerry Yates

Administrators Present:

Sheena Van Meter, Superintendent
Jennifer Strawderman, Assistant Superintendent
Steven Williams, Director of Administrative Programs
Veeta Burgess, Director of Finance

Others Present:

Shawn Cullers
Jean Flanagan
Bill Hill
Nancy Hill
Janet Sisler
Shanda Walker
M. Kelly Heishman
Kyle Smith
Jordan Pierce
Nick Surface

Public Comments:

I. Call to Order – President

Nancy Hahn, President, called the meeting to order at 4:57 p.m.

II. Prayer

Sheena Van Meter opened the meeting with prayer.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Melvin Shook 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 Dixie Bean, to approve the agenda with updated personnel actions and transportation request.

5-0 motion carried

VI. Presentation

A. Born Learning Academy – Janet Sisler and Shanda Walker

Ms. Sisler and Ms. Walker provided the Board with information on the Born Learning Academy program at Moorefield Elementary School. This program is sponsored by Toyota and United Way with a three year grant of \$3,000 dollars per year. This program provides free dinner, child care, fun family activities, workshop for parents along with door prizes. Ms. Sisler and Ms. Walker discussed the opportunities this program provides and asked the Board to consider helping to continue the program after the three year grant ends and to supplement the following year.

B. Hardy County Score Card

Ms. Sheena Van Meter, Superintendent, provided the Board with information on the county and state scorecards. The scorecards have shown growth in all areas from last year.

C. Athletic Field Lighting

Jordan Pierce, Musco, and M. Kelly Heishman, M.C. Dean, provided the Board information and an estimate on football and baseball LED field lighting. The new LED lighting through Musco provides a 25-year warranty program that covers materials and maintenance.

VII. Public Comments

No Public Comments

VIII. Consent Items

A. Board Minutes – September 16, 2019

B. Special Board Minutes – September 24, 2019

C. Transportation Request

- October 9, 2019 – Marie Rao – Moorefield Elementary School – First Grade – Washington, D.C.
- October 17, 2019 – Deana Williams – East Hardy Early Middle School – Third Grade – Washington, D.C.
- October 22-26, 2019 – Roy Harper – Moorefield Middle School – FFA – Indianapolis, IN
- October 29-November 3, 2019 – Lacey Kesner – East Hardy High School – FFA – Indianapolis, IN
- November 14-16, 2019 – Morgan See – Moorefield High School – Volleyball Team – Charleston, WV
- November 15-16, 2019 – Lacey Kesner – East Hardy High School – FFA – Roanoke, WV

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Jerry Yates, the Board approved Consent Items.

5-0 motion carried

IX. Unfinished Business

A. Approval of Student Random Drug Testing Policy – JDFA

A motion was made by Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, to approve Student Random Drug Testing Policy – JDFA as presented.

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Jerry Yates, the Board approved Student Random Drug Testing Policy – JDFA for second reading with changes.

5-0 motion carried

X. New Business

A. Approval of Athletic Field Lighting

Moved to Discuss in Executive Session

B. Approval of Field Trip Policy – IHE

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board approved Field Trip Policy – IHE for first reading.

5-0 motion carried

C. Approval of Pre-K Calendar

On the motion of Jerry Yates, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved Pre-K Calendar as presented.

5-0 motion carried

D. Approval of In County/Out of County Transfers

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Jerry Yates, the Board approved to uphold the Superintendent and Principal's recommendation as presented.

Approved Transfers:

- K. C. from Grant County to Hardy County
- G. M. from Hardy County to Grant County
- M. S. from Hampshire County to Hardy County
- J. W. from Hardy County to Grant County

5-0 motion carried

XI. Board Members/Superintendent Discussion – No Action May Be Taken

Mr. Nick Surface, Maintenance Supervisor, discussed with the Board current work orders.

Mr. Melvin Shook thanked Mr. Surface for coming and for what they do for Hardy County Schools. Mr. Shook also thanked him for getting the lights fixed at East Hardy Early Middle and stated they looked good.

Mr. Surface said they would be fixing Moorefield Intermediate School's lights next.

Mr. Shook asked about the cameras at Moorefield High School that needed focused again. Ms. Van Meter said with the \$110,000 dollar safety grant we will be replacing and fixing cameras. Cameras will be the first thing addressed.

Mr. Shook asked about the exit lights that continuously are on work orders. Mr. Surface said they have replaced multiple lights and they continue to go out. Ms. Bean asked if anyone had contacted the manufacturer due to the high safety issue.

Mr. Shook asked about the valves that continuously leak. Mr. Surface stated there is a green substance in the water creating the problem. Ms. Bean asked if anyone had contacted the water company.

Mr. Shook asked about the mantrap at East Hardy Early Middle School where the intercom is not working. Mr. Williams said they would look at changing it to the inside.

Mr. Shook asked about a light in the bus operator building. He asked if they could add a light off the receptacle. Mr. Surface said he wasn't sure because of the breaker amperage. They would not be able to use multiple items on the electric or use the gas pump at the same time.

Ms. Sheena Van Meter provided the Board with a handout on WV Standard for Effective Schools.

Mr. Jerry Yates had concern with using Amazon to make purchases.

XII. Future Agenda Items

- Board Member Walk Through
 - October 22, 2019 – MES, MIS, MMS, and MHS – beginning at 8:30 a.m.
 - October 24, 2019 – EHEMS and EHHS – beginning at 8:30 a.m.
- Budget Retreat – November 22, 2019

XIII. Announcements

- October 21, 2019 – Hardy County Board of Education Meeting – BOE – 5:00 p.m.

XIV. Mission Statements/Accomplishments

- The Board thanked Mr. Bill Hill and Ms. Nancy Hill for donating the pictures to Hardy County Schools.
- The Board thanked Amanda Riggleman for the thank you note regarding the opening day meal.

- The Board thanked Mr. J. T. Miller for his assistance in getting the safety grant for Hardy County Schools.
- The Board commended all students on how they represent Hardy County when traveling with their actions and manners.

XV. Personnel

On the motion of Jerry Yates, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board went into Executive Session at 7:04 p.m. Policy BDE, Item 2, Authorization A.

5-0 motion carried

The Board reconvened into regular session at 8:03 p.m. with no action taken.

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board approved the following:

Leave of Absence:

- Stephanie Ours: September 24, 2019 through October 14, 2019

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board approved the following:

Days Without Pay:

- Jennifer See: October 18, 2019 – 1 day

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Jerry Yates, the Board approved to uphold the Superintendents recommendation and suspend Albert Leatherman from September 26, 2019 through October 7, 2019.

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved the following:

Service Personnel Hiring:

- Beverly J. Smith: Substitute Aide, Countywide, effective 2019-2020 SY

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines seconded by Jerry Yates, the Board approved the following:

Professional Personnel Hiring:

- Katlin E. Shirk: Substitute Teacher, effective 2019-2020 SY

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved the following:

Extra-Curricular Professional Personnel Hirings:

- Jamin Hershberger: County Math Field Day Advisor, effective 2019-2020 SY only
- Henry Hodges: County Social Studies Fair Advisor, effective 2019-2020 SY only
- Jeffrey Rush: Math Field Day Advisor, MHS, effective 2019-2020 SY only
- Donna Bodkins: Social Studies Fair Advisor, MMS, effective 2019-2020 SY only
- Henry Hodges: Social Studies Fair Advisor, EHHS, effective 2019-2020 SY only
- Leila Nash: Student Council Advisor, MMS, effective 2019-2020 SY only
- Jeffrey Rush: Junior Class Sponsor, MHS, effective 2019-2020 SY only

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Jerry Yates, the Board approved the following:

Athletic Hirings:

- Ashley Taylor: Authorized Certified Coach Without Pay, Volleyball, EHHS, effective 2019-2020 SY
- Donna Bodkins: Game Manager, MMS, effective 2019-2020 SY

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved the following:

Approved Extra Pay for Specialized Health Care Procedures:

- Diana Lipscomb: EHEMS, effective 2019-2020 SY only

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved the following:

Approved Resignations:

- Robert F. Kerr Jr.: Assistant Football Coach, EHHS, effective September 17, 2019
- Jodie Witmer: Substitute Teacher, effective September 25, 2019
- Albert Leatherman III: Math Teacher, Grades 9-12, EHHS, effective September 30, 2019

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved the following:

Approved Volunteers:

- Patricia S. Jordan: Volunteer, EHEMS, effective October 8, 2019
- Annette Chaney: Volunteer, EHEMS, effective October 7, 2019
- Celia Good: Volunteer, EHEMS, effective October 8, 2019
- Samantha Keplinger: Volunteer, MIS, effective October 8, 2019
- Majorie Vivian Estep: Volunteer, MES, effective October 8, 2019
- Mary Petry: Volunteer, MES, effective October 8, 2019
- Micheline Williams: Volunteer, MES, effective October 8, 2019
- Brenda See: Volunteer, MES, effective October 8, 2019

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Melvin Shook, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board went into Executive Session at 8:09 p.m. Policy BDE, Item 2, Authorization A.

5-0 motion carried

The Board reconvened into regular session at 8:11 p.m. with no action taken.

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Jerry Yates the Board approved the following:

Approved Job Posting:

- Substitute Nurse: Countywide, effective 2019-2020 SY

5-0 motion carried

XVI. Adjournment

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

5-0 motion carried

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