

**Hardy County Schools
Regular School Board Meeting
Hardy County Board of Education Office
December 2, 2019**

Members Present:

Nancy Hahn, President
Douglas Hines, Vice President
Dixie Bean
Melvin Shook Jr.
Jerry Yates – Arrived at 4:57 p.m.

Administrators Present:

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

Others Present:

Shawn Cullers
Jean Flanagan
Bill Hill
Nancy Hill

Public Comments:

I. Call to Order – President

Nancy Hahn, President, called the meeting to order at 4:55 p.m.

II. Prayer

Dixie Bean opened the meeting with prayer.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Melvin Shook led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jerry Yates arrived at 4:57 p.m.

IV. Introductions

Introductions were made around the room.

V. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, to approve the agenda with updated personnel actions and leave of absences.

5-0 motion carried

VI. Presentations

A. No Presentations

VII. Public Comments

No Public Comments

VIII. Consent Items

A. Board Minutes – November 18, 2019

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Dixie Bean, the Board approved Consent Items.

5-0 motion carried

IX. Unfinished Business

A. Tabled Discussion and Approval of Updated Letter for East Hardy High School to be Used as an Emergency Evacuation Site for EA Hawse Continuous Care Center

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board approved to bring tabled Discussion and Approval of Updated Letter for East Hardy High School to be Used as an Emergency Evacuation Site for EA Hawse Continuous Care Center off the table.

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board approved Updated Letter for East Hardy High School to be Used as an Emergency Evacuation Site for EA Hawse Continuous Care Center as presented.

5-0 motion carried

B. Approval of Student Random Drug Testing Policy – JDFA

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved Student Random Drug Testing Policy – JDFA as presented.

5-0 motion carried

C. Approval of Student Attendance Policy – JDJ

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved Student Attendance Policy – JDJ as presented.

5-0 motion carried

D. Approval of Hardy County Schools Athletic Contract Policy – JGF

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board approved Hardy County Schools Athletic Contract Policy – JGF as presented.

5-0 motion carried

E. Discussion of Work Orders – Steven Williams

Mr. Steven Williams, Director of Administrative Programs, provided the Board a copy of the work orders from each school.

Ms. Dixie Bean asked about the toilets leaking and the exit lights at East Hardy High School. Mr. Williams stated the leak is a small drip after each flush and they have replaced the hardware at this time. They will continue to monitor the water dripping at the school. The exit lights have all been changed at this time.

Mr. Jerry Yates asked about the crack in the wall. Mr. Williams said it is the existing crack which was there since the construction and has not grown any bigger.

Mr. Jerry Yates asked the status of the hot water in the meat lab. Mr. Williams said the water is set now at 110 degrees.

Mr. Jerry Yates asked the status of Ms. Mary Catherine Slacks coffee bar. Ms. Van Meter said the issue was resolved and Ms. Slack can resume at her convenience.

X. New Business

A. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical and the Hardy County Board of Education for Spring 2020 Courses

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Douglas Hines, the Board approved Memorandum of Understanding between Eastern West Virginia Community and Technical and the Hardy County Board of Education for Spring 2020 Courses as presented.

5-0 motion carried

B. Approval of In County/Out of County Transfers

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

Approved Transfers:

- K.P. from Hardy County to Grant County
- E. R. from Hardy County to Grant County

5-0 motion carried

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

Mr. Douglas Hines thanked Mr. Williams for looking at the steps for the Moorefield High School bleachers. Mr. Williams stated they could be adjusted.

Mr. Melvin Shook advised the Board to look at policy 4336 and the changes. The student restraints for three and four year olds may result in upcoming bus issues if passed in legislation.

Ms. Van Meter discussed the OPIOD lawsuit with the board. She recommended not to pursue the class action suit. The Board agreed.

XII. Future Agenda Items

- Charter Schools

XIII. Announcements

- December 16, 2019 – Hardy County Board of Education Meeting – BOE – 5:00 p.m.

XIV. Mission Statements/Accomplishments

- The Board congratulated Hardy County students for receiving the grant for the food truck.
- The Board commended both Ms. Mary Catherine Slack and Ms. Nicole Snyder for their dedication to go above what is expected to make receiving the grant possible.
- The Board commended all teachers who contribute above and beyond outside of their contract days and time.
- The Board commended East Hardy High School football team for playing in the playoffs.
- The Board commended the Moorefield High School cheerleaders for making it to state on December 14, 2019.
- The Board wished good luck to the Moorefield Middle School robotics team competing this week.

XV. Personnel

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

Leave of Absences:

- Laura Huffman: October 8, 2019 through June 30, 2020 – Intermittently
- Stephanie Ours: December 1, 2019 through January 1, 2020

5-0 motion carried

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

Professional Personnel Hirings:

- Dylan Chapman: Social Studies Teacher, Grades 6-8, EHEMS, effective January 2, 2020
- Cynthia Walters: Long Term Substitute 4th Grade Teacher for Leave of Absence, EHEMS, effective December 16, 2019 through anticipated end date of February 21, 2020

5-0 motion carried

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

Athletic Hiring:

- Ryan Arnold: Authorized Certified Coach Without Pay, Softball, MHS, effective 2019-2020 SY

5-0 motion carried

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

Approved Resignations:

- Gerritt Dayton: Substitute Teacher, effective November 14, 2019
- Jack McCullough: Art Teacher, MIS/MMS, effective June 30, 2020 (due to retirement)
- Veeta R. Burgess: Chief Business Official/Treasurer, Hardy County Schools, effective June 30, 2020 (due to retirement)

5-0 motion carried

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

Approved Volunteers:

- Tyler Mongold: Volunteer, Team Support Personnel, Boys' Basketball, EHHS, effective 2019-2020 SY
- Edward "Mike" Laughlin: Volunteer, Team Support Personnel, Football, MMS, effective 2019-2020 SY
- Matthew Wright: Volunteer, Team Support Personnel, Wrestling, MHS, effective 2019-2020 SY

5-0 motion carried

XVI. Adjournment

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Jerry Yates, the meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

5-0 motion carried

Nancy Hahn, President

Sheena Van Meter, Secretary