

**Hardy County Schools
Regular School Board Meeting
Hardy County Board of Education Office
May 4, 2020**

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

Others Present:

Shawn Cullers
Jean Flanagan
Bill Hill
Loy Kesner

Public Comments:

I. Call to Order – President

Nancy Hahn, President, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. Prayer

Sheena Van Meter 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 Melvin Shook, to approve the agenda with updated personnel actions.

5-0 motion carried

VI. Presentation

A. HVAC – Loy Kesner

Mr. Kesner provided the Board with an update on the HVAC system in each school. The preventive maintenance is completed on all schools except Moorefield Elementary School as a ladder is needed to access the units on the roof. The Board thanked Mr. Kesner for his work and saving the county money.

B. Spirit of Hardy County Award

Ms. Sheena Van Meter, Superintendent, recognized the nominees for the Spirit of Hardy County for the month of March. The winner was Ms. Melinda Judy. Congratulations to Ms. Judy for being nominated.

VII. Public Comments

No Public Comments

VIII. Consent Items

A. Reconvened Board Minutes – April 21, 2020

B. Board Minutes – April 21, 2020

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

5-0 motion carried

IX. Unfinished Business

No Unfinished Business

X. New Business

A. Approval of Updated Coaches, Athletic Directors and Trainers Salary Scale

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved updated Coaches, Athletic Directors and Trainers Salary Scale as presented.

5-0 motion carried

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

Mr. Melvin Shook asked how Election Day was being handled with it being moved to June 9, 2020. Ms. Van Meter stated the West Virginia State Department had amended all county school calendars to reflect the change and staff would be off on June 9, 2020.

Ms. Nancy Hahn had concern with the effort teachers were giving calling and contacting students and helping students. Ms. Van Meter stated if any problems were brought to her attention she was addressing them as she received them.

Mr. Jerry Yates asked about the return rate of student packets. Ms. Van Meter stated each school only had 2-3 not returned and some were returning them with the second packet.

Mr. Jerry Yates asked what are the number of student food packages being distributed at this time and if any of the food purchased prior to students being off was being utilized. Ms. Van Meter stated today Moorefield Elementary School distributed 748 packages and she had not received East Hardy Early Middle School's numbers. Ms. Van Meter stated the cooks at the schools were packing 50 packages per school each week to use the food and some was given to EACHS and the Committee on Aging.

Ms. Sheena Van Meter updated the Board on the following:

Strawberries will be purchased one time in May to be distributed with meal packages on a first come first serve basis until gone.

Thanksgiving break will be observed November 23- 28, 2020.

An inventory system was purchased in the amount of \$3,700 dollars to be used to inventory tools and parts. Ms. Bean asked if this system could be used to scan and inventory supplies and consumable products. Ms. Van Meter stated she wasn't sure how that would work but she would get a copy of the orders from each school and provide them to the Board.

Mr. Douglas Hines stated we did receive the National Forest money. Ms. Van Meter said the amount was \$56,000 dollars.

XII. Future Agenda Items

- Charter Schools
- PRO Officers Presentation – May 18, 2020
- County Focus Update – Ms. Sheena Van Meter and Ms. Jennifer Strawderman – June 1, 2020
- Security Grant/Camera Update – Steve Williams

XIII. Announcements

- May 18, 2020 – Hardy County Board of Education Meeting – BOE – 5:00 p.m.
- To Be Determined – Teacher/Service Person of the Year Ceremony – MHS – 4:30 p.m. Reception – 5:00 p.m. Ceremony

XIV. Mission Statements/Accomplishments

- The Board thanked all teachers and principals for going in and getting all students items ready to be picked up.
- The Board thanked administrative staff for keeping things going and for all the updates.
- The Board thanked Mr. Loy Kesner for the great job he is doing and for saving the county money.
- The Board commended all seniors at Moorefield High School and East Hardy High School for handling the situation given to them well.

XV. Personnel

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

Professional Personnel Hirings:

- Jesslyn Dunsmore: 1st Grade Teacher, EHEMS, effective 2020-2021 SY
- Crystal Atkinson: 3rd Grade Teacher, MIS, effective 2020-2021 SY
- Heather Simmons: 6th Grade Teacher, MMS, effective 2020-2021 SY
- Adam Glogau: Substitute Teacher, effective 2020-2021 SY

5-0 motion carried

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

Resignation:

- Elizabeth Fridley: Secretary/Accountant, EHEMS, effective June 30, 2020

5-0 motion carried

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

Approved Volunteer:

- Ronnette Pope: Volunteer, MES, effective 2020-2021 SY

5-0 motion carried

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board went into Executive Session at 5:53 p.m. Policy BDE, Item 2, Authorization A.

5-0 motion carried

The Board reconvened into regular session at 6:44 p.m. with no action taken.

Ms. Nancy Hahn, Board President, stated all goals were met and exceeded for the 2019-2020 school year by the Superintendent, Ms. Sheena Van Meter. Ms. Hahn also stated Ms. Van Meter was a pleasure to work with.

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved to amend the superintendent's, Ms. Sheena Van Meter, contract to not receive the additional raise that was previously agreed upon and instead to receive \$107,000 dollars and to receive an educational reimbursement of \$3000.00.

5-0 motion carried

XVI. Adjournment

On the motion of Douglas Hines, seconded by Jerry Yates, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

5-0 motion carried

Nancy Hahn, President

Sheena Van Meter, Secretary

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