

Hardy County Schools
Regular School Board Meeting
Hardy County Board of Education Office
October 5, 2020

Members Present:

Douglas Hines, President – Absent
Melvin Shook Jr., Vice President
Dixie Bean – Via Phone
Nancy Hahn – Absent
Janet Rose

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

Melvin Shook, Vice 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

Janet Rose 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 Janet Rose, seconded by Dixie Bean, to approve the agenda with updated personnel actions.

3-0 motion carried

VI. Presentation

No Presentations

VII. Public Comments

No Public Comments

VIII. Consent Items

A. Board Minutes – September 21, 2020

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Janet Rose, the Board approved Consent Items.

3-0 motion carried

IX. Unfinished Business

A. Discussion of Work Orders

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

Mr. Melvin Shook and Ms. Dixie Bean stated they were impressed with the amount of work orders completed and thanked the maintenance department.

Mr. Melvin Shook stated he had observed some of the drain spouts with 45 degree angles instead of 90 degrees. He felt this was some of the water problems against the buildings. He asked Mr. Williams if he could look at those and see if flex drain could be added to help prevent the water problem. Mr. Williams stated he would look at the drains tomorrow.

Ms. Janet Rose asked what the bi-fold doors enclosed. Mr. Williams stated it was a washer and dryer.

X. New Business

A. Discussion of Master Schedules

Ms. Jennifer Strawderman, Assistant Superintendent, provided a copy of the master schedules to the board. Ms. Strawderman gave a breakdown of the schedules and asked the Board to review them to discuss at a later meeting.

B. Approval of Critical Need/Shortage – Substitute Teachers – GCBA

On the motion of Janet Rose, seconded by Dixie Bean, the Board approved Critical Need/Shortage – Substitute Teachers – GCBA for first reading.

3-0 motion carried

C. Approval of In County/Out of County Transfers

On the motion of Janet Rose, seconded by Dixie Bean, the Board approved to uphold the Superintendent and Principal's recommendation as presented.

Approved Transfers:

- D. B. from Hampshire County to Hardy County
- D. B. from Grant County to Hardy County
- D. E. from Mineral County to Hardy County
- P. E. from Mineral County to Hardy County
- Z. E. from Mineral County to Hardy County

- L. F. from Mineral County to Hardy County
- B. F. from Hampshire County to Hardy County
- C. P. from Hampshire County to Hardy County
- D. R. from Grant County to Hardy County

3-0 motion carried

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

Ms. Sheena Van Meter provided the Board with the current enrollment numbers in WVEIS for this year. We are currently 23.79 students lower from fiscal year 20.

Ms. Van Meter handed out and went over the most recent response to COVID-19 outbreaks provided by the Health Department.

Mr. Melvin Shook asked Ms. Van Meter to provide information regarding why students could continue sports. Ms. Van Meter advised it was in the guidelines from the state criteria. If the county is green sport practices and games can still be held. Ms. Van Meter also stated the quarantine time does not take affect from the time the test is received, it starts from the time the symptoms occur.

Ms. Van Meter discussed the budget retreat with the Board. Ms. Van Meter will check November 13, 2020 and November 20, 2020 for any schedule conflicts and will send the date to the Board. The budget retreat will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Ms. Janet Rose asked Ms. Van Meter to look at allowing teachers time for bathroom breaks. Ms. Van Meter was unaware of the issue and will discuss it with the principals at their principal's meeting to see what they can do for bathroom breaks.

XII. Future Agenda Items

- Master Schedules – November 2, 2020
- Board Retreat
- Covid-19 Update

XIII. Announcements

- October 19, 2020 – Hardy County Board of Education Meeting – BOE – 5:00 p.m.

XIV. Mission Statements/Accomplishments

- The Board asked everyone to keep Mr. Douglas Hines and Mrs. Brenda Hines in your thoughts and prayers.
- The Board thanked maintenance for getting all the work orders caught up.
- The Board thanked all staff for their hard work during this difficult time.

XV. Personnel

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Janet Rose, the Board went into Executive Session at 5:37 p.m. Policy BDE, Item 2, Authorization A.

3-0 motion carried

The Board reconvened into regular session at 6:04 p.m. with no action taken.

On the motion of Janet Rose, seconded by Dixie Bean, the Board approved to uphold the Superintendent's recommendation and suspend Rebecca Henry for one day September 25, 2020.

3-0 motion carried

On the motion of Janet Rose, seconded by Dixie Bean, the Board approved the following:

Days Without Pay:

- Rebecca Henry: October 9, 2020 – One Day
- Jennifer See: October 23, 2020 – ½ Day

3-0 motion carried

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Janet Rose, the Board approved the following:

Service Personnel Hirings:

- Rebecca Propst: Aide, Special Education, Itinerant, MES, effective October 6, 2020
- Heidi Fields: Substitute Cook, Countywide, effective 2020-2021 SY
- Heidi Fields: Substitute Custodian, Countywide, effective 2020-2021 SY

3-0 motion carried

On the motion of Janet Rose, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved the following:

Professional Personnel Hiring:

- Cathy Ruddle: Long Term Substitute Teacher, Special Education, Half-Time Position, Itinerant, MES, effective October 6, 2020

3-0 motion carried

On the motion of Dixie Bean, seconded by Janet Rose, the Board approved the following:

Professional Extra-Curricular Hirings:

- Randall Shockey: Student Council Advisor, EHEMS, effective 2020-2021 SY only
- Angela Mathias: Student Council Co-Advisor, EHHS, effective 2020-2021 SY only
- Monica Orndorff: Student Council Co-Advisor, EHHS, effective 2020-2021 SY only
- Jessica Baker: Junior Class Sponsor, EHHS, effective 2020-2021 SY only
- Monica Orndorff: Junior Class Sponsor, EHHS, effective 2020-2021 SY only
- Randall Wolfe: Junior Class Sponsor, EHHS, effective 2020-2021 SY only
- Scott Conners: Senior Class Sponsor, EHHS, effective 2020-2021 SY only
- Henry Hodges: Senior Class Sponsor, EHHS, effective 2020-2021 SY only
- Michelle Wolfe: Senior Class Sponsor, EHHS, effective 2020-2021 SY only
- Jaclyn See: Senior Class Sponsor, MHS, effective 2020-2021 SY only
- Justin Campbell: Discipline Data Analyst, MHS, effective 2020-2021 SY only

3-0 motion carried

On the motion of Janet Rose, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved the following:

Athletic Hirings:

- Joshua Eye: Authorized Certified Coach Without Pay, Football, MMS, effective 2020-2021 SY
- Derek Alt: Authorized Certified Coach Without Pay, Football, EHHS, effective 2020-2021 SY

3-0 motion carried

On the motion of Janet Rose, seconded by Melvin Shook, the Board approved the following:

Resignations:

- Angela Fraley: Substitute Teacher, Countywide, effective October 5, 2020
- Karen Bowman: Universal Pre-K Teacher, EHEMS, effective January 31, 2021, due to retirement
- Randall Shockey: Extra-Curricular Planning Period Buy-out, EHEMS, effective October 5, 2020

3-0 motion carried

XVI. Adjournment

On the motion of Janet Rose, seconded by Dixie Bean, the meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

3-0 motion carried

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Sheena Van Meter, Secretary

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