

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Raleigh County Schools

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

ROLL CALL – The Raleigh County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 5:30 PM in Munson Hall at the Raleigh County Schools Central Office with the following members present: President Larry D. Ford, Vice President Jack G. Roop, Ms. Marie Hamrick, Dr. Charlotte Hutchens, Mr. Richard V. Snuffer II and Mr. C. David Price, Secretary.

CALL TO ORDER

President Ford called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADJUSTMENTS

President Ford requested approval of the agenda. Mr. Snuffer made the motion to approve. Mr. Roop seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

RECOGNITIONS:

- Federal Programs Mathematics Content Specialist Malati Reeve, with assistance from Superintendent Price, recognized the Math Field Day and Science Fair winners from the Shady Spring Attendance Area and presented each with an award.

DELEGATIONS

- Agenda Items - No one registered to address agenda items.
- Non-Agenda Items –
 - Teacher John Quesenberry addressed the board with the exciting, positive things happening at WWHS; concluding his remarks by recognizing what an outstanding job the theatre students did performing “Fiddler on the Roof” for schools and the public to attend.
 - Homeschool parent Theresa Dennison opened in prayer; addressing the board regarding media outlet coverage, requesting cameras/microphones in classrooms, funding for homeschool students to receive speech, occupational and physical therapies, bullying of teacher unions and referenced Marxist agendas.
 - Parent Carolyn Morgan asked the board members what exactly is the no tolerance policy and punishment in reference to her concerns regarding an incident at Daniels Elementary.
 - Clyde Schuyler addressed the board asking for authorization if a parent, company or business could donate fresh fruits to a school.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

- Board Reports - Board members reported their activities since the last meeting.
- Superintendent’s Report –
 - Superintendent Price reported the constant decline in Covid statistics. The week of 02-17-22 to 02-24-22 had 54 student positive cases. The week of 02-24-22 to 03-03-22 had 27 positive students cases. Superintendent Price introduced Director of Technology Rachel Pauley, to share the news of a pilot computer science grant partnership with WVU-Morgantown and WVU-Tech; which would be the first National Science Foundation Grant for public middle schools in West Virginia. Superintendent Price also stated the Pineycreek Watershed Project will be receiving a \$ 12,000 grant from the students working behind the scenes to secure the grant. Crescent Elementary will be recognized 03-09-22 by the WVDE for recently being named a National Blue Ribbon School.

- Other Reports –
 - Jami Hughes, Assistant Director of Federal Programs, and Dylan Foster, CIS Liaison with SSSHS, shared the success of the Communities in Schools Programs (currently in 9 schools). Working with liaisons, the program is placed in schools for students to overcome barriers, as well as succeed inside and outside the classroom.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – There was no unfinished business to be considered.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – There were no policies or procedures to be considered

CONSENT ITEMS

Mr. Snuffer made the motion to approve Consent Items A through E. Ms. Hamrick seconded it. Motion passed 5-0. Consent items are as follows:

- Approve minutes of Regular Meeting – February 22, 2022
- Approve Payment of Bills – February, 2022
 Supplements - \$ 3,244,785.84 Transfers - \$ 4,270,177.68
- Approve recommended bids
- Future meetings/events: *Statutory Meeting – Tuesday, March 15, 2022 – 8:30 AM – Munson Hall*
 Special Meeting – Tuesday, March 15, 2022 – 9:00 AM – Munson Hall
 Regular Meeting – Tuesday, March 22, 2022 – 5:30 PM – Munson Hall
 LSIC – Work Session – Monday, March 28, 2022 – 5:00 PM – Tamarack
 LSIC – Work Session – Tuesday, March 29, 2022 – 5:00 PM – Tamarack
 LSIC – Work Session – Monday, April 4, 2022 – 5:00 PM – Tamarack
 LSIC – Work Session – Monday, April 11, 2022 – 5:00 PM – Tamarack

NEW BUSINESS

- Consider approval of agreements with State Energy Express Office for program sites at Daniels Elementary and Fairdale Elementary Schools.
 Dr. Hutchens made the motion to approve. Mr. Snuffer seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.
- Consider approval of 2022 Energy Express feeding sites at Daniels Elementary and Fairdale Elementary Schools – Start June 20, 2022 / End July 29, 2022.
 With one modification noted from Superintendent Price, the start date will begin June 21, 2022 and end July 29, 2022. Mr. Snuffer made the motion to approve. Mr. Roop seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL

- Approve Superintendent’s recommendations for personnel 2021-22
 With one correction noted and approval by Superintendent Price, Ms. Hamrick made the motion to approve. Mr. Roop seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:32 PM, Mr. Snuffer made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session under the authority of WV Code §6-9A-4 to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Roop seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

Upon returning to open session at 7:35 PM, all members were present.

- Approve suspension of bus driver
 Superintendent Price recommended the suspension of Nathanael Carter. Mr. Snuffer made the motion to approve. Ms. Hamrick seconded it. Motion passed 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT – At 7:36 PM the meeting adjourned by consensus.

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Larry D. Ford, President

C. David Price, Secretary