MINUTES FOR THE WIRT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Wirt County Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 in the Wirt County High School cafeteria. Present were Dan Metz, President, Randa Yoak, Vice President, Mark Lowe, Brent Stewart, Darren Shearlock members, John McKown, Secretary.

Mr. Metz, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ashley Gunnoe, Teacher, Wirt County Primary Center.

Wirt County Primary Center & Middle School provided a presentation on student Winter Benchmark Data.

On a motion by Mr. Lowe, the Board approved the agenda with changes by unanimous consent.

On a motion by Mr. Stewart, the minutes of the previous regular meeting, January 24, 2023, were approved by unanimous consent.

On a motion by Mrs. Yoak, the Board approved payment of invoices totaling \$217,842.94. On a motion by Mr. Lowe, the Board approved budget supplements totaling \$16,210.00. On a motion by Mr. Stewart, the Board approved the Treasurer to competitively seek bids for the Annual Financial Audit by Independent Accounting Firms for a period of three (3) years.

On a motion by Mr. Stewart, the Board approved Randall Pursley, Resignation, Substitute Maintenance effective January 29, 2023. On a motion by Mrs. Yoak, the Board approved Deena Swain, Retirement Resignation, Special Education Specialist, WCS, effective June 30, 2023. On a motion by Mr. Stewart, the Board approved Hagan Root, Resignation, Assistant Wrestling Coach, WCMS, effective immediately.

On a motion by Mrs. Yoak, the Board employed Brandy Harris, Special Education Support Teacher/Coach, WCMS, effective February 15, 2023. On a motion by Mr. Lowe, the Board employed Ashley Bumgarner, Bus Operator, effective February 15, 2023. On a motion by Mr. Stewart, the Board employed Misty McCulty, Cook III extended day, Supper in a Sack, Effective February 15, 2023. On a motion by Mrs. Yoak, the Board employed Amanda Lucky, Cook III for extended day, Supper in a Sack, effective February 15, 2023. On a motion by Mr. Lowe, the Board employed Lisa Starcher, After School Tutor/Academic Support Teacher, WCHS, effective February 15, 2023.

On a motion by Mr. Stewart, the Board approved Rachel March, WCMS, Jeremy March, WCMS, Trenton Toler, WCMS, Dylan Toler, WCMS, Rodney Hartley II, WCMS, Miranda Hartley, WCMS, 2022-2023 Volunteer/Chaperones.

On a motion by Mrs. Yoak, the Board approved a Cook III/Custodian III, WCHS, position. On a motion by Mr. Lowe, the Board approved Teachers for Home/Hospital Instruction (Homebound), 4 positions.

On a motion by Mr. Stewart, the Board approved support of Senate Bill 41 by asking Mr. McKown to write letters to our District Representatives.

On a motion by Mrs. Yoak, the Board approved the Questionnaires & Surveys Policy, with the revisions made. After Board discussion, the Board asked to put the Policy out for 10 days to review the changes.

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The Board entered into executive session at 7:58 pm on a motion by Mr. Metz, to conduct the Superintendent's Goals & Evaluation. The Board returned to regular session at 8:45 pm on a motion by Mr. Metz. The Board asked to report on the Superintendent's Goals & Evaluation at the February 28, 2023 Board Meeting.

The Board entered into executive session at 8:47 pm on a motion by Mr. Metz to discuss the Superintendent's Contract. The Board returned to regular session at 9:23 pm. Mr. Lowe made a motion to renew Superintendent McKown contract for a period of three years, with the salary for 2023-24 of \$106,276.27; for 2024-25, \$108,401.80; and for 2025-2026, \$110,569.84

The next regular meeting of the Wirt County Board of Education will be held on February 28, 2023 at 6:00 pm in the Wirt County High School cafeteria. After hearing Board concerns the meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. Lowe.

*Unless otherwise noted, all motions were approved by unanimous vote.

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