

**Muhlenberg County Board of Education**  
**RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

(MINUTES)

Powderly, Kentucky

**The Muhlenberg County Board of Education held the Regular Monthly Board Meeting** at the Central Office, April 20, 2023, 5:30 PM with the following members present:

Ms. Susan Wells  
Ms. Kim Bard  
Mr. Darrell Bowers  
Mr. Rajiv Johar  
Ms. Stefanie Rager

**Meeting Call to Order** by Chairman Rager

**Moment of Silence**

The Board observed a moment of silence

**Pledge**

Chairman Rager led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

**Approve the Agenda** KRS161.155

**.3086** Motion to approve Agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Darrell Bowers and a second by Ms. Susan Wells. Votes Aye, Unanimous

**Recognitions**

The Board of Education recognized some of the superheroes that made the opening of the Muhlenberg County High School, "Mustang Café" possible. Mustang Cafe can accommodate over 500 students at a time and provides three options for lunch: A traditional line, a chilled line of salads and sandwiches, and a grill line that offers burgers, chicken and fries. It has taken a lot of coordination by the administrators and the cafeteria staff to make this work.

The Board of Education thanked the transportation and maintenance for providing drivers who transported meals from the old South Middle kitchen to the multipurpose room at the high school each day. The Board also thanked the Staculty (Staff and Faculty) at the high school for coordinating spaces for our students while enduring the remodeling of the cafeteria. Those recognized were the superheroes of the cafeteria who prepared meals and drove back to the high school to serve those meals every day. These superheroes were presented with a certificate of appreciation. Those recognized were, Melissa Alverson, Shanna Davis, Leanna Camplin, Cindy Lear, Cathy Mallory, Angela Pierce, Brittany Risinger, Donna Smith, Sonya Everly, Evelyn Brooks, Kim Baker, and Darlene Mefford.

**.3087 Treasurer's Report**

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report passed with a motion by Mr. Rajiv Johar and a second by Mr. Darrell Bowers. Votes Aye, Unanimous

**.3088 Payment of Bills and Salaries**

Motion to approve payment of all bills present, payment of salaries when due and in the office, payments to companies to prevent payment of a penalty and to take advantage of discounts passed with a motion by Ms. Susan Wells and a second by Kim Bard. Votes Aye, Unanimous

### **Public Participation**

Mr. John Tomasic spoke on concerns regarding safety of staff and students at Longest Elementary.

Mr. Lincoln Fugal spoke on the concerns regarding the maintenance of Longest Elementary.

### **Administrative Report**

#### **Superintendent's Report**

- The personnel actions were presented to the board and are placed in the minutes.
- Superintendent Orr called on Mr. Carver, Principal of Muhlenberg County High School to present a report for his school. Mr. Carver spoke of the three focus areas Culture, Communication and Engagement they have had for the school year. Mr. Carver said that they really wanted students to fall in love with school again and get back to some normalcy. He spoke of teaching students values and behaviors that should be exhibited, and the outcome that in turn comes from those values and behaviors. Mr. Carver mentioned that this was also something not only for students but staculty (staff and faculty) as well. Mr. Carver touched on subjects like staculty and student spotlights, attendance and ACT Scores. Mr. Carver mentioned the Bass Fishing Team and their achievement of placing first place in their last tournament. He mentioned that the academic team had made it to state this year as well as those that had been accepted to the Governor's School for Arts. Mr. Carver ended the presentation by going over some end-of-the school year events.
- Superintendent Orr called on Mr. Bletzinger to speak on school funding. Mr. Bletzinger presented a review of funds and fund balances.

#### **Attendance and Enrollment report**

The Director of Pupil Personnel reported on attendance and enrollment and the report is placed in the minutes.

#### **Board Action Items**

##### **.3089 Consider Second reading of KSBA Board Policy 09.224**

Motion to approve second reading of KSBA Board Policy 09.224 passed with a motion by Kim Bard and a second by Mr. Rajiv Johar. Votes Aye, Unanimous

##### **.3090 Consider Posting Two Part-time Teaching Positions at the Renaissance Center. (One Math position and one Science position - each position to be 3 days per week)**

Motion to approve posting two part-time teaching positions at the Renaissance Center. (One Math position and one Science position - each position to be 3 days per week) passed with a motion by Ms. Stefanie Rager and a second by Ms. Susan Wells. Votes Aye, Unanimous

##### **.3091 Consider Early Hire Date for Bremen Elementary School Librarian position.**

Motion to approve early hire date for Bremen Elementary School Librarian position. passed with a motion by Mr. Rajiv Johar and a second by Kim Bard. Votes Aye, Unanimous

**.3092 Consider Posting Three Instructional Monitor Positions for the 2023-2024 School Year**

Motion to approve posting three Instructional Monitor Positions for the 2023-2024 School Year passed with a motion by Ms. Stefanie Rager and a second by Ms. Susan Wells. Votes Aye, Unanimous

**.3093 Consider Approval of Two Positions for Exceptional Child Instructors**

Motion to approve two positions for Exceptional Child Instructors passed with a motion by Kim Bard and a second by Ms. Susan Wells. Votes Aye, Unanimous

**.3094 Consider SFCC FY2023 KETS 2nd Offer of Assistance**

Motion to approve SFCC FY2023 KETS 2nd offer of assistance passed with a motion by Ms. Stefanie Rager and a second by Mr. Rajiv Johar. Votes Aye, Unanimous

**.3095 Approve Change Orders 009 and 011 for Cafeteria Expansion at Muhlenberg County High School**

Motion to approve change orders 009 and 011 for Cafeteria Expansion at Muhlenberg County High School passed with a motion by Mr. Darrell Bowers and a second by Ms. Susan Wells. Votes Aye, Unanimous

**.3096 Board Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve consent agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Rajiv Johar and a second by Mr. Darrell Bowers. Votes Aye, Unanimous

**Approve the Minutes of the Prior Board Meeting**

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**Surplus and Sell of Old Percussion Instruments**

**Surplus of Phillips HeartStart and Medtronic Lifepak AEDs**

**Surplus and Disposal of Bremen Elementary Items**

**Surplus of GES Textbooks & Music Keyboards**

**Consider Facilities Use Agreements**

Owensboro Heat Youth Basketball	Muhlenberg North Middle School GYM	March 25 and March 26, 2023
Owensboro Heat Youth Basketball	Muhlenberg North Middle School GYM	April 15 and April 16, 2023

**Consider Field Trip Requests**

Kindergarten	GES	Mesker Park Zoo Evansville, IN	May 12, 2023 or if Rain May 15, 2023
Beta	MCHS	National Beta Convention Louisville, KY	June 16-20, 2023
Classroom	GES	Holiday World Santa Claus, IN	May 17, 2023
FFA	MCHS	FFA State Convention Lexington, KY	June 5-8, 2023
Art Club	MSMS	First Art Museum Nashville, TN	April 21, 2023

**.3097 Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn meeting passed with a motion by Kim Bard and a second by Mr. Darrell Bowers. Votes Aye, Unanimous

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Chairperson

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Secretary/Superintendent