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September Regular Board Meeting

We have had a very smooth opening to our school year and everyone is working extremely hard. The KDE audit report has been made public this month and has caused quite a bit of noise. I have spoken to the Floyd County Chronicle, WYMT, Lexington Herald Leader and the interim commissioner of Education in the last couple of weeks. I have assured all of them we will take the corrective action plan and follow it line by line. We will rectify these issues. I have also assured them that great things are happening in our schools. I will say the commissioner was very positive and supportive.

The KDE meeting had to be rescheduled for the 24th of September because of the funeral of a student. I'm excited to get the initial meeting behind us and move forward with the CAP. We will fix this problem and do things the right way!

On a brighter note we had 4 different groups of students' present projects at the SOAR Conference. They were treated like celebrities and soaked up the recognition. They had the opportunity to meet the governor and several other high ranking government officials. Our students attended the keynote address this morning given by a retired Army General, they really seemed to enjoy that. I will tell you, we were better represented than any other district in the region. I'm very proud of our district and their willingness to participate in the conference. The DACE STLP team won one of the 1,000 dollar innovation grants sponsored by BB&T for their Essentials for Santa program.

It was great to get to spend some time with each of you and catch up a little at the girl's middle school pre-season tournament. The girls put on a great show for all of us. We have some extremely talented young ladies in Floyd County. The tournament was a great success and showcased the young talent and the future of ladies basketball. I'm looking forward to spending several years watching these girls play!

I have been visiting schools and having lunch with our students. I witnessed something very special as I sat through a threat assessment process with the team at Floyd Central. I will have to say it was one of the most impactful experiences of my educational career. Not only were we able to help the student, but we also talked with the parents to help them understand what their daughter was feeling. It was absolutely amazing! We have a great staff in Floyd County who truly love their students!

We have received an update on the new facility at RLC. The building will be complete this month but we still can't get water to the building. The corps actually said they were having 2 different lines run and the one that is completed first will be the one we hook to. They told me February would be the best case scenario now as far as occupancy. I know that's disheartening but our hands are tied.

I spoke with our counselors this month, as we have started a cadre to have them work together this year for the betterment of our students. We discussed our pilot program for our 8th graders and our technical schools. I'm excited to get it up and running as we are making headway on the implementation.

I would like to congratulate the Prestonsburg Blackcats and Lady Blackcats on winning the 15th region All A regional championship in soccer! They were also winners of their first sectional games that were played at StoneCrest. The elite 8 games are scheduled to be played at 9 and 1 on Saturday in Frankfort.

Sincerely,

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