



The Newport Board of Education held a regular meeting on October 24, 2018 at 6:30 P.M. The meeting was held in the Board Room located at 30 W. 8th Street, Newport.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Malone called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call. The following were present: Ramona Malone, Dr. Julie Smith-Morrow, Melissa Sheffel, & Matt Scott.

Also in attendance: Superintendent Kelly Middleton, other district leaders, and invited guests.

Ms. Malone asked those in attendance to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance and pause for a Moment of Reflection.

PRESENTATIONS and INTRODUCTIONS

Debbie Mollett, Recruitment and Site Based Coordinator with Big Brothers/Big Sisters gave an overview of their program and the many services they provide to our students. In 2015 they created "Impact" which provides mentoring, guidance, and support for students. The goal is to align community partners with at risk schools districts. Since inception some of the ways they have supported Newport are listed below:

- Raising funds for Christmas – offering gifts for homeless students
- Help prepare for the opening of schools by cleaning up school yards, planting and painting
- Assist with mock interviews to prepare students
- Career path seminars helping students develop skill sets
- Gather clothing donations for all ages
- Purchased belts for students in need of them
- Support band, drama, and sports
- Raise funds thru yard sales, penny wars, and bake sales.
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Ms. Mollett is a true believer in this organization and encouraged everyone to consider joining in some way.

Terry Dawson and Ellen Williamson, employees at HHRK, were also in attendance. They followed up with their experience with "Impact". Through their PPT presentation, everyone was drawn in to the excitement they brought to us thru their many positive experiences with our students.

This month's alumni video featured Amanda Kerley, Class of 2001. Ms. Kerley attended Transylvania University where she majored in history. She later went back to NKU to become a physical therapist and practices in Northern KY.

The board took at 15 minute recess to greet invited guests.

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2018, OCTOBER 3, 2018, & OCTOBER 10, 2018 MEETINGS

On MOTION BY SHEFFEL AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the minutes were approved as presented.

925 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

TREASURER'S REPORT

On MOTION BY SCOTT AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the financial statement was approved and will be filed for audit.

926 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Before approving the bills, Mr. Turner noted he had talked to three board members who had questions regarding the bills. All questions were answered to their satisfaction.

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SCOTT the bills were approved for payment.

927 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Mr. Turner's report covered:

- Credit card bills and receipts
- Monthly administrator's expenses

STUDENT LEARNING AND SUPPORT SERVICES

Mr. Middleton's report covered:

- River City Schools partnership with Gateway
- Cafeteria sound system, TVs, trophy case lights. Working on snack and outdoor areas.
- TANK contract
- Possible pay for lunch program for staff
- MAGNA Award – NSBA
- Hired Linda Rains – Sustainability Coach
- See for Yourself tour

Ms. Gilkison's report focused on analyzing the spring 2018 KPREP data. The following handouts were provided:

- District overview analysis
- KASC data reports:
 - District graphs and analysis
 - NIS graphs and analysis
 - NHS 7th-8th grade analysis
 - NHS 9th-12th grade analysis

Mr. Wills' reports report covered:

- Attendance percentages and membership count
- Updated reports from all service providers

Mike asked the board to appoint a member to the calendar committee so a meeting can be schedule. Ms. Sheffield was asked to continue representing the board on this committee.

Mr. Grayson's report covered:

- Transportation update
- Facilities update
- Safe Schools
- Newport Regional School

Ms. Swanson's report focused on supporting staff with the development of IEPs, behavior intervention plans, and functional behavior assessments. The board was very appreciative of this report.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

On MOTION BY SHEFFEL AND SECONDED BY SCOTT the board added item "i" to the consent agenda excusing Ms. Miller from tonight's meeting.

928 - MOTION CARRIED 4-0

- a. Personnel report
- b. Lease and security agreement between KISTA and the board to purchase a new school bus;
- c. Contract with Torchprep;
- d. Contract with TANK to transport NHS students to and from school;
- e. Expenses incurred for board members to attend the NSBA conference in Philadelphia March 30 – April 1, 2019;
- f. Revised 2018/19 school calendar.
- g. Bid documents for NHS landscaping project
- h. Emergency certification for MSD teacher at NHS
- i. Excuse Theresa Miller's absence from tonight's meeting

On MOTION BY SCOTT AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the consent agenda was approved as presented.

929 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

BOARD COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On MOTION BY SHEFFEL AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the board went into executive session.
Purpose: KRS 61.810 (k) and KRS 156.577 – Discussions relating to the evaluation of the superintendent
Time: 8:15 PM

930 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

On MOTION BY SHEFFEL AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the board returned to open session. Time: 8:47 PM

931 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on MOTION BY SCOTT AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the meeting adjourned. Time: 8:58 PM

932 - MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Chairman

Secretary