

**CHRISTIAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY**

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19, 2019
6:00 P.M.**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Christian County Board of Education met at the Board of Education Central Office on Glass Avenue on Thursday, September 19, 2019, 6:00 P.M. for a Regular Board Meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Linda Keller, Chairperson

Mr. Tom Bell, Vice-Chair

Ms. Susan Hayes

Mr. Lindsey Clark

Ms. Mary Ann Gemmill, Superintendent and Board Secretary

Also present: Mr. Jack Lackey, Jr., School Board Attorney; Administrators, Media and Guests

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Jeff Moore

ACTION/ITEMS

RECOGNITIONS:

- A) City Government Month and Civics Awareness Campaign Presented by Mayor Carter Hendricks
- B) Kisha Jeffrey-Mische, United States Census Bureau
- C) Margaret Prim, Executive Director, Pennyroyal Arts Council and Molly Campbell, Education Coordinator, Pennyroyal Arts Council
- D) Family Resource Youth Service Center Directors

**Melanie Barrett – Director of Pupil Personnel serving as President of
Director of Pupil Personnel for the State of Kentucky and recently elected
as Representative to the Kentucky Association of School Administrators**

- E) Student of the Month: Lexi Hilton, 6th Grade, Crofton Elementary
School**

**INVOCATION
PLEDGE
CALL TO ORDER**

The Invocation was given by Ms. Hayes, with the
prayer by Mr. Bell, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
Ms. Keller called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M.

**#30 APPROVAL
OF AGENDA**

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Hayes, to approve the
Agenda as presented (a copy of which is attached and the
terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Bell,
Ms. Keller

Voting no: NONE

**COMMUNICATIONS/
VISITORS AND
OPEN FORUM**

NONE

PRESENTATIONS:

**INSTRUCTIONAL UPDATE: GIFTED & TALENTED AND
CONSTITUTION WEEK**

Tracey Leath, District Assessment Coordinator, along with Lea
Brumfield and Jennifer Jatczak presented a PowerPoint
update of the Gifted and Talented Program (a copy of which is
attached to the minutes.)

Jessica Addison, Director of Instruction, gave the board an
update on the projects completed and materials learned in our
schools for Constitution Week.

LONG-RANGE PLANNING UPDATE

Jack Lackey, School Board Attorney, gave a PowerPoint presentation to the board of the Nickel Tax Campaign (a copy of which is attached to the minutes.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Bell

Mr. Bell stated they have finished the book study “Building a Vibrant Community” and they will soon begin working on an action project to follow that up.

Ms. Hayes

Ms. Hayes reported that the flu is already present in the community and schools and school nurses are urging everyone to get their flu vaccine.

Mr. Clark

Mr. Clark spoke with our State Representatives who stated there is no new education news to report on at this time. He stated Mr. Thomas Walker is working to pre-file a bill that will help with hiring speech pathologist from across state borders. Mr. Clark stated the new session will begin in January and there will be many important items that public school districts will have a stake in. Mr. Clark will try his best to act as a liaison for us.

#31 DISCUSSION/ APPROVAL SELECTION OF BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON SCHOOL YEAR 2020-2021 CALENDAR COMMITTEE

Linda Keller volunteered to serve on the 2020-2021 Calendar Committee.

**#32 DISCUSSION
APPROVAL
PAY REQUEST
NUMBER TEN
(10) FROM
SHERMAN
CARTER
BARNHART
ARCHITECTS
IN THE
AMOUNT OF
\$668.40
FOR GATEWAY
ACADEMY/
BREATHITT
CENTER
RENOVATIONS/
ADDITIONS**

Motion by Mr. Bell, second by Mr. Clark, to approve Pay Request Number Ten (10) from Sherman Carter Barnhart Architects in the Amount of \$668.40 for Gateway Academy/Breathitt Center Renovations/ Additions (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Bell, Mr. Clark, Ms. Hayes,
Ms. Keller

Voting No: NONE

**#33 DISCUSSION/
APPROVAL
REVISED
BG-1 FOR
SOUTH
CHRISTIAN
ELEMENTARY
ROOFING
PROJECT IN
THE AMOUNT
OF \$630,521.05**

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Hayes, to approve the Revised BG-1 for South Christian Elementary Roofing Project in the Amount of \$630,521.05 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Bell,
Ms. Keller

Voting No: NONE

- #34 DISCUSSION/ APPROVAL PAYMENT TO JKS ARCHITECTURE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$750.00 FOR INDIAN HILLS ELEMENTARY REROOF PROJECT**
- Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Mr. Bell, to approve Payment to JKS Architecture in the Amount of \$750.00 for Indian Hills Elementary Reroof Project (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)
- Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Mr. Bell, Ms. Hayes, Ms. Keller
- Voting No: NONE
- #35 DISCUSSION/ APPROVAL CAPITAL FUNDS REQUEST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$408,818.00**
- Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Hayes, to approve the Capital Funds Request in the Amount of \$408,818.00 (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference.)
- Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Bell, Ms. Keller
- Voting No: NONE
- #36 DISCUSSION/ APPROVAL WORKING BUDGET FOR 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR**
- Following a Power Point presentation by Mary Ann Gemmill, Superintendent and Jessica Darnell, Director of Business, motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Hayes, to approve the Working Budget for 2019-2020 School Year (a copy of which is attached and the terms of which are incorporated by reference).
- Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Bell, Ms. Keller
- Voting No: NONE

**#37 CONSENT
AGENDA**

Motion by Mr. Bell, second by Mr. Clark, to
approve the following Consent Agenda:

(All exhibits are attached to the minutes)

- A) Financial Matters:
 - 1. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports and Authorize Payment of Bills
 - 2. Other
- B) Approval of Minutes of Tax Levy Hearing on August 15, 2019 and Regular Board Meeting held August 15, 2019
- C) Approval School Related Trip Request by Christian County High School to Nashville, TN on November 8, 2019
- D) Approval School Related Trip Request by Christian County High School to Nashville, TN on October 18, 2019
- E) Approval School Related Trip Request by Christian County High School to Hardinsburg, KY on September 13-14, 2019 (Emergency Approval)
- F) Approval School Related Trip Request by Christian County High School to Evansville, IN on October 29, 2019
- G) Approval School Related Trip Request by Christian County High School to Indianapolis, IN on October 30 – November 1, 2019
- H) Approval School Related Trip Request by Christian County High School to Nashville, TN on October 4, 2019
- I) Approval School Related Trip Request by Christian County Middle School and Hopkinsville Middle School to Murray, KY on November 25, 2019
- J) Approval School Related Trip Request by District Gifted and Talented Program to Hopkinsville, KY on September 27, 2019
- K) Approval School Related Trip Request by District Gifted and Talented Program to Hopkinsville, KY on September 19, 2019 (Emergency Approval)
- L) Approval School Related Trip Request by District Gifted and Talented Program to Hopkinsville, KY on September 17, 2019 (Emergency Approval)
- M) Approval School Related Trip Request by Hopkinsville High School to Indianapolis, IN on October 29, 2019

- N) Approval School Related Trip Request by Hopkinsville High School to Murray, KY on September 26, 2019**
- O) Approval School Related Trip Request by Hopkinsville Middle School to Alhambra Theater on February 4, 2020**
- P) Approval School Related Trip Request by Hopkinsville Middle School to Alhambra Theater on September 24, 2019**
- Q) Approval School Related Trip Request by Hopkinsville Middle School to Louisville, KY on December 14-17, 2019**
- R) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Christian County High School, Tennis, Bumblebee Team Store, August 21, 2019 – May 25, 2020 (Emergency Approval)**
- S) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Christian County High School, WLC, Costume Ball, October 25, 2019**
- T) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Christian County High School, Dance, End of Year Showcase, April – May 2020**
- U) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Christian County High School, Dance, Donations, September 20, 2019 – May 31, 2020**
- V) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Christian County High School, Dance, Fan Wear, September 20, 2019 – May 31, 2020**
- W) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Christian County High School, E-Sports Team, Fruit Snacks, September 2019 – May 2020 (Emergency Approval)**
- X) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Hopkinsville High School, Boys' Soccer, Boots and Butts Tournament, September 7-8, 2019 (Emergency Approval)**
- Y) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Hopkinsville High School, Boys' Basketball, Beef Jerky Sticks, September 23 – December, 2019**
- Z) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Hopkinsville High School, Boys' Basketball, Candy Brochure, November – December 2019**
- AA) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Hopkinsville Middle School, Raise the Dough, September 20, 2019 – May 31, 2020**
- BB) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Hopkinsville Middle School, Academic Team, The Bloomery/Christmas Wreaths, October 2019**

- CC) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Hopkinsville Middle School, Band, Popcorn and Candy Bars, September 2019 and January 2020 (Emergency Approval)**
- DD) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Hopkinsville Middle School, Fall and Spring Pictures, August 27, 2019 and Spring 2020 (Emergency Approval)**
- EE) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Hopkinsville Middle School, Student Council, Concessions, September 20, 2019 – May 31, 2020**
- FF) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Indian Hills Elementary School, Yearbook Ad Sales, March – April 2020**
- GG) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Indian Hills Elementary School, Fall Pictures, September 13, 2019 – October 31, 2019**
- HH) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Indian Hills Elementary School, Spring Pictures, March 17, 2020**
- II) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Indian Hills Elementary School, Fall Book fair, Fall 2019**
- JJ) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Indian Hills Elementary School, Spring Book fair, Spring 2020**
- KK) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Indian Hills Elementary School, Yearbook Sales, April – May 2020**
- LL) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary, Family Movie Night & Concessions, December 2019**
- MM) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Pembroke Elementary School, Ordinary Hero, November 2019**
- NN) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Sinking Fork Elementary School, Fall Book fair, Fall 2019**
- OO) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by Sinking Fork Elementary School, Spring Book fair, Spring 2020**
- PP) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by South Christian Elementary School, Fall Book fair, October 21 – November 8, 2019**
- QQ) Approval School Related Fund Raiser Request by South Christian Elementary School, Spring Book fair, March 16 – April 3, 2020**
- RR) Approval Hoptown Hoppers Requesting Use of Facilities for the Summer of 2020; Brad Hawkins, Chief Operations Officer**

- SS) Approval Shortened School Day Request
- TT) Approval Shortened School Day Request
- UU) Approval of Board Policies 03.1327, 03.2327, 05.31, 06.221, 09.4232 and 10.5 – Second Reading
- VV) Approval Revision to Board Policy 08.113 Graduation Requirements – First Reading
- WW) Acknowledgment Receipt of Month One (1) Attendance
- XX) Approval District Professional Development Plan
- YY) Acknowledgement Receipt of Personnel Matters/Reports
- ZZ) Establish Next Regular Meeting for October 17, 2019, 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room at the Central Office
- AAA) Other

Voting Yes: Mr. Bell, Mr. Clark, Ms. Hayes,
Ms. Keller

Voting No: NONE

**INDIVIDUAL BOARD
MEMBER AND
SUPERINTENDENT
COMMENTS**

MR. BELL

Mr. Bell wanted to state in addition to Mr. Lackey's presentation that all Christian County Public Schools audits have shown that the District is compliant and financially responsible with tax payer dollars. Mr. Bell stated the percentage of funds spent for Central Office Administration is comparable with other districts. He stressed that Ms. Gemmill was hired with less pay than her predecessor and has NOT taken a raise in 7 years. Mr. Bell thanked the district for securing federal grants to offset the programs and salaries that we have. He stated when you look at most districts that have passed the nickel tax, they are using the money to just maintain their existing buildings. Christian County plans to build two academic high schools with the nickel tax funds.

MS. HAYES

Ms. Hayes agreed with the statements Mr. Bell made and wanted to make sure everyone knows that it just isn't architects that will plan these buildings, but principals, so that they can ensure students have everything they need.

MR. CLARK

Mr. Clark thanked the Family Resource Youth Service Center Employees for their dedicated work. They serve a very vital and important role in our student's lives. He urged more people to donate to FRYSC. Mr. Clark thanked Mr. Lackey for the Nickel Tax Presentation. He also thanked Mrs. Darnell and Mrs. Gemmill for their hard work in planning the budget for the school year. Mr. Clark thanked Trevor Herndon and his team for saving district dollars when building the safety vestibules in comparison to the money Trigg County is spending to build their safety vestibules. Mr. Clark is excited to attend the HHS vs. CCHS Football game Friday night!

MS. KELLER

Ms. Keller thanked the FRYSC employees as well. All of us go home every night with roof over our heads, clothing, food in our pantry and a lot of our students don't. We need to be aware and our community needs to be aware of those needs. She thanked the Murray State education students for attending the board meeting and hopes they will come back to Christian County to teach. She thanked the teachers and principals for a great start to the school year. Ms. Keller appreciated Mr. Lackey's presentation of the Nickel Tax Campaign. She thanked Mr. Lackey, Angie Major and Central Office Personnel for the time and effort they have put into the campaign. She also thanked the community leaders who have helped and are serving on committees. We need more help, everyone's help, to promote and show the community that it is not wasteful spending and it is important to our students.

MS. GEMMILL

Ms. Gemmill appreciates all the partnerships in the community and doesn't know what we would do without their help and support. She thanked the FRYSC employees and the important work they do. Ms. Gemmill stated our next board meeting will be after fall break, but when fall break is over, everyone will hit the ground running on the campaign. She thanked all the community endorsers and private citizens for their support. She touched on Mr. Bell's book study "Building a Vibrant Community" which the District completed as well. Ms. Gemmill states this is what the board is trying to do by getting state of the art academic buildings in Christian County – that is the foundation of a Vibrant Community – a great education.

#38 ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Mr. Bell, to Adjourn
(7:52 P.M.)

Voting Yes: Mr. Clark, Mr. Bell, Ms. Hayes,
Ms. Keller

Voting No: NONE

APPROVED CHAIRPERSON _____

APPROVED SECRETARY _____