



**Livingston County, Kentucky Board of Education Meeting**

September 14, 2020 6:00 PM

Livingston Central High School Library

750 US HWY 60 West

Smithland, KY 42081

Public attendance may be limited due to social distancing guidelines. Masks are requested to be worn by the general public. The meeting will be broadcast for public viewing via Facebook Live at <https://www.facebook.com/livingstoncountyschools/>

**Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM:**

Present Board Members:

Mr. David Kitchens

Mrs. Christine Thompson

Mrs. Terry Watson

Absent Board Members:

Mr. Dennis Fleet

Division #4 vacant

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Adopt the Agenda**

**Order #631 - Motion Passed:** A motion to adopt the agenda passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
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Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
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Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
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Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes
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**3. Recognitions - Live RED Recognitions**

**3.a. Staff**

Discussion:

Presented by Mr. Zimmerman.

**3.b. Live RED Report**

Discussion:

Presented by Mrs. Amy Ramage.

**4. Public Comment**

Discussion:

None.

**5. Consent Items**

**Order #632 - Motion Passed:** A motion to accept the consent items passed with a motion by Mrs. Terry Watson and a second by Mr. David Kitchens.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

**5.a. Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**5.b. Payment of General and Title Program Claims**

**5.c. School-Wide Fundraisers**

**5.d. Superintendent's Attendance Sheet**

**5.e. LIVINGSTON COUNTY PRESCHOOL TUITION CONTRACT**

**5.f. Hydronic Piping BG5**

**6. Treasurer's Report & Finance Update**

Discussion:

Presented by Ms. Mary Dunning.

**Order #633 - Motion Passed:** A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

**7. Family Resources and Youth Services Centers Purchasing**

Discussion:

The Family Resources and Youth Services Centers (FRYSC) are often faced with circumstances that require "emergency" purchases. The FRYSCs currently utilize a Board credit card account that has been held over from BB&T. The Finance Department has requested that a credit card account be opened with Farmers Bank & Trust for use by the FRYSCs to help separate and clarify the billing process.

**Order #634 - Motion Passed:** A motion to apply for and open a credit card account with Farmers Bank & Trust for Family and Youth Services Centers, to include: three (3) cards; a credit limit of \$13,000; and Jill Duncan as the billing contact, passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

**8. Contract with KSBA for Medicaid Training and Billing Services**

**Order #635 - Motion Passed:** A motion to accept the contract with KSBA for Medicaid Training and Billing Services passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

**9. Donations to Schools**

**10. Working Budget**

Discussion:

Presented by Ms. Mary Dunning.

**Order #636 - Motion Passed:** A motion to approve the FY2021 working the budget passed with a motion by Mrs. Terry Watson and a second by Mr. David Kitchens.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

**11. FY 2021 Tax Levy**

Discussion:

Current Tax Levy is 44.8 cents on Real Estate, 45.9 cents on Personal Property, and 45.2 cents on Motor Vehicles. Compensating tax rate is calculated to provide the same revenue as the prior year. A hearing is not required to adopt the Compensating Rate. Local property evaluations have increased, resulting in a slightly lower Compensating Rate of 44.6 cents on Real Estate and 44.8 cents on Personal Property. A 4% revenue increase would require a tax levy of 46.3 cents which is the maximum increase the Board can impose without a recall; however, a hearing is required. The Motor Vehicle Tax is at its limit and is the same as last year. .05 cents can be added for exonerations (uncollected taxes for the prior year) and a hearing is not required.

**Order #637 - Motion Passed:** A motion to levy the Fiscal Year 2021 Compensating Tax Rate of 44.6 cents on Real Estate, 44.8 cents on Personal Property, and 45.2 cents for Motor Vehicles with 0.5 cents added to recover prior year losses due to exonerations passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

**12. Optional Taxes**

Discussion:

Aircraft and federally documented watercraft are considered optional taxes. If levied, they would be taxed at the same rate as the Tangible Personal Property. These taxes have been levied in prior years.

**Order #638 - Motion Passed:** A motion to tax aircraft and federally documented watercraft passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

### **13. COVID Back-to-school Update**

Discussion:

Presented by Mrs. Amy Ramage with some Q&A that included the current guidance documents provided by the KDE.

**Order #639 - Motion Passed:** A motion to follow the CDC additional considerations for cloth face coverings among K12 students passed with a motion by Mrs. Terry Watson and a second by Mr. David Kitchens.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

### **14. Records Retention of Live Streaming**

**Order #640 - Motion Passed:** A motion to store the video recordings of board meeting for one calendar year passed with a motion by Mrs. Terry Watson and a second by Mr. David Kitchens.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

### **15. School Fees**

**Order #641 - Motion Passed:** A motion to approve the Livingston Central Math Department Calculator Rental Policy passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

## **16. Grant Services Update**

Discussion:

LCMS has received a grant valued at \$15,000 to purchase farm equipment for the FFA to lease to area farmers in compliance with our current policy that governs the use of school property. LCMS is actively pursuing two grants; one for Chromebooks and the other for Discover Education.

**Order #642 - Motion Passed:** A motion to accept the America's Farmers Grow Rural Education Grant on behalf of LCMS passed with a motion by Mrs. Terry Watson and a second by Mr. David Kitchens.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

## **17. School Board Vacancy of Division #4**

Discussion:

Advertisements have been made for the vacant seat on the school board. 60-day time frame is October 28th. Next school board meeting is October 12th. A special meeting may be called to fill the vacancy. The person who fills the vacancy must obtain all of the required training for the year before January 1st. Question to consider- Will the filling of the vacancy pose a conflict for the election in November? Question to consider- Do we set a deadline for applications? A- after 30 days after the vacancy was posted (September 30th). One application has been received (Tony Sanders) and a second person made an inquiry today (Monday, 9/14/2020). The procedure for filling the vacancy, as well as the consequences for not filling the vacancy, were discussed.

## **18. Transportation Report**

Discussion:

Presented by Mrs. Amy Ramage.

## **19. Letter of Agency for KDE KETS Network and Hardware Services**

Discussion:

The Letter of Agency "...is to confirm our participation in the KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION E-rate Consortium for the procurement of eligible INTERNAL CONNECTIONS HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE, and/or INITIAL CONFIGURATION/INSTALLATION, and/or BASIC MAINTENANCE OF INTERNAL CONNECTIONS HARDWARE/SOFTWARE under both Category 1 and Category 2 services." By submitting this letter, the superintendent authorized the KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION to submit the necessary forms on behalf of the school district.

## **20. Personnel Report**

**Order #643 - Motion Passed:** A motion to approve the Leave of Absences for the three people as stated in the personnel report passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes

Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

## **21. Surplus**

**Order #644 - Motion Passed:** A motion to approve the surplus items and authorize their disposal passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

## **22. LCMS Gym Project Closeout Form**

**Order #645 - Motion Passed:** A motion to approve the BG5 Project Closeout Form for BG#20-065 passed with a motion by Mrs. Terry Watson and a second by Mr. David Kitchens.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

## **23. Commonwealth of Kentucky Contract Modification for 2019-2020 21st Century Community Learning Centers**

**Order #646 - Motion Passed:** A motion to approve the Commonwealth of Kentucky Contract Modification for 2019-2020 21st Century Community Learning Centers passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

## **24. Commonwealth of Kentucky Contract Modification for Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Grant**

**Order #647 - Motion Passed:** A motion to approve the Commonwealth of Kentucky Contract Modification for the Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Grant passed with a motion by Mrs. Terry Watson and a second by Mr. David Kitchens.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
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Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

#### **25. Full Utilization of Head Start Certification**

**Order #648 - Motion Passed:** A motion to acknowledge the certification that Head Start is fully utilized passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

#### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

#### **26. Adjournment**

**Order #649 - Motion Passed:** A motion to adjourn the meeting passed with a motion by Mr. David Kitchens and a second by Mrs. Terry Watson.

#### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mr. Dennis Fleet	Absent
Mr. David Kitchens	Yes
Mrs. Christine Thompson	Yes
Mrs. Terry Watson	Yes

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Chairperson	Date
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