

**ESTILL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS  
(MINUTES)**

**Special Called Board Meeting  
September 23, 2021 6:00 PM  
Estill County Board of Education Boardroom  
as well as being held via teleconference  
253 Main Street  
Irvine, Kentucky 40336**

**Present Board Members**

Ms. Shiela Samples  
Ms. Tammy Hardy  
Ms. Donna Isfort came in at 6:45 P.M.  
Mr. Bryan Covey via Zoom  
Ms. Carrie Smallwood via Zoom

**Visitors Present:** Peter Fisher, Grant R. Chenoweth, Jeremy Simpson, and Rebecca Lee

**I. Call to Order**

Mr. Bryan Covey, the vice-chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:11 P.M.

**A. Welcome/Pledge**

Mr. Bryan Covey, the vice-chairperson, welcomed everyone and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. Reminder to Sign In**

**II. Recognitions**

**A. Mountain Movers**

We would like to thank Backstreet Grub for their support this year with our Mountain Movers. Backstreet Grub has donated a \$10.00 gift card for each of our Classified and Certified employees.

Classified Ms. Sonya Miller Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor  
She has been in this position for one and a half years. Sonya worked for New Vista for three years as an Outpatient Clinician before coming to the Estill County School District.

Certified Ms. Traci Baber 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at West Irvine Intermediate  
Traci began her career in 2009 and is in her 12<sup>th</sup> year of teaching. Traci is a National Board Certified Teacher.

**Community:**

WSKV 104.9 Pick Up Country and Ethan Moore, General Manager

Ethan is humbled and grateful for being selected by the Estill County School district as a "Mountain Mover." He looks forward to many years in service to the Estill County Community.

## B. Resume Student Presentations on January 1, 2022

### III. Facilities/Construction Update

#### A. ATC

##### 1. Update

Peter Fisher from Ross Tarrant gave an update. ATC Pedway is now complete. The final punch list is being completed. Classroom equipment is still being ordered and waiting to install. Looking to have a BG4 in January 2022.

##### 2. Approve pay estimate 25

**Order #14604 - Motion Passed:** Approved to pay application #25 for \$642,959.21 passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

#### 4 Yeas - 0 Nays

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Absent
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

#### B. Estill County High School Renovation Phase 7

##### 1. Update

Peter Fisher with Ross Tarrant gave an update on Phase 1 of the High School Renovation project. Baseball and Softball fields areas are seeing progress; foundation slabs have been poured this week. Tennis Courts will be graded soon. Underground utilities are being installed.

#### C. Air Quality Upgrades: ESSER II

##### 1. West Irvine Elementary

The work should be completed middle of next week—closeout in October on this project final BG 5 in November.

##### a. Updates

##### 2. Estill County District-Wide

##### a. Updates

The project is completed—BG 4 in October and a B5 in November.

#### D. Future Projects

##### 1. Update on Approved Projects

##### 2. Approve O/A Agreements for Estill County High School

##### a. ARP ESSER III HVAC Controls Project

##### b. ARP ESSER III Sanitary Line Replacement

**Order #14605 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the Owner/Architect Agreements on the ARP ESSER III HVAC and sanitary line replacement projects passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

**4 Yeas - 0 Nays - 1 Abstained**

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Absent
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

**3. West Irvine Intermediate Pavement Improvement Project**

**a. Approve O/A Agreements Pavement Improvement**

**Order #14606 - Motion Passed:** Approved the Owner/Architect agreement on the pavement improvement for West Irvine Intermediate passed with a motion by Ms. Tammy Hardy and a second by Ms. Shiela Samples.

**4 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Absent
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

**b. Consideration/Approval of survey proposal from S&ME**

**Order #14607 - Motion Passed:** S&ME presented a sum fee of \$5,055.12 to perform a site survey for West Irvine Intermediate payment, an improvement project passed with a motion by Ms. Tammy Hardy and a second by Ms. Shiela Samples.

**4 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Absent
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

**4. Approve BG 1**

**a. South Irvine Window Replacement/Safety Upgrades**

**Order #14608 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the BG 1 for the South Irvine window replacement and safety upgrades passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

**5 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

**b. Middle School Restroom Renovation/Safety Measures**

**Order #14609 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the BG 1 for Middle School restroom renovation and safety upgrades passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

**5 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

**5. Review preliminary schematics for possible Estill Springs Renovation and Addition project**

**Order #14610 - Motion Passed:** Approve Estill Springs Elementary School renovation & addition (Option three and option two ) Bring back BG 1 in October. It was passed with a motion by Ms. Tammy Hardy and a second by Ms. Shiela Samples.

**5 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

**IV. Action Items**

**A. Tax Rates for 2021-2022**  
Tabled until September 27, 2021

**B. Berea College MOU**

1. Berea College Gear Up
2. Berea College Upward Bound

**Order #14611 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the MOU with Berea College for Upward Bound and Gear-up program passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Mr. Bryan Covey.

**5 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

**C. Approve FY22 Working Budget**

**Order #14612- Motion Passed:** Approval of the FY22 working Budget passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

**5 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

**D. ARP ESSER III Budget/Spending Plan**

**Order #14613 -Motion Passed:** Approval of the ARP ESSER III Budget/Spending Plan passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

**5 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

## V. Consent Items

**Order #14614- Motion Passed:** Approval of all consent items passed with a motion by Mr. Bryan Covey and a second by Ms. Shiela Samples.

### 5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

**A.** Approve Minutes of August 19, 2021, Regular Meeting and September 9, 2021, Special Called Meeting.

**B.** Approve Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills

**C.** Update Bank Signature Authorization

**D.** Lease Agreement with Fauste Oil Services Inc.

**VI.** Closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810, Paragraph (c), discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency

**Order #14615 - Motion Passed:** At 7:50 P.M., the Board called closed session pursuant to KRS61.81, paragraph (c), discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

### 4 Yeas - 0 Nays

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Absent

The chair called Board back in session.No action was taken during closed session.

## VII. Superintendent's Report

**A.** Notification of Personnel Actions

(See Insert)

**B.** School Update: Enrollment and Attendance

We have seen some improvements in the attendance; enrollment is about the same no significant change.

### C. School Fundraiser Report

Fundraiser report from High School, Middle School, West Irvine, and Estill Springs were presented to the Board.

### D. Special Session Update

On September 9, 2021, the Kentucky General Assembly passed Senate Bill 1 (SB1), An act relating to delivering education and care for children and declaring an emergency. SB1 provides schools with support and flexibility as they seek to provide the best education possible for Kentucky's students.

1. Districts may temporarily assign individual schools, grades, classrooms, or student groups to remote instruction for up to 20 days until December 31, 2021.
2. Districts may use FY 18-19 Attendance Data for FY22 funding purposes.

**Order #14616 - Motion Passed:** Approval to give the Superintendent Mr. Jeff Saylor authority to make remote instruction decisions passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

### 4 Yeas - 0 Nays

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Absent

### 1. Updated Covid-19 Guidance

### Order #14617

**- Motion Passed:** Approval of the updated Covid-19 guidance is found on the Estill County School District webpage was passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

### 4 Yeas - 0 Nays

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Absent

### 2. Test to Stay Program

Test to Stay Program was tabled until October. Surveys will go out to see if parents are interested in this program.

### 3. Other

### E. FY 22 Professional Growth Plan

(See Insert)

**VIII. Board Member Forum**

Ms. Donna Isfort asked the Board to take a moment of silence for Mr. Eric Baker's family, The Lee County School District, and others in the community that has lost loved ones to Covid-19. Mr. Baker was the Estill County Agriculture & Natural Resources Agent. Ms. Donna Isfort also wanted to give a praise report on Mr. Bryan Covey's wife, Traci, who is home now from the hospital after her long fight against this terrible virus.

**IX. Public Comments**

There are no public comments at this time.

**X. Adjourn**

**Order #14617 - Motion Passed:** Adjourned Board Meeting at 9:05 P.M. passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

**4 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Absent

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Jeff Saylor, Secretary

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Donna Isfort, Chairperson