

Regular Meeting
January 20, 2022 5:30 PM
Central Office

Attendance Taken at : 5:30 PM

Present Board Members:

Ms. Amber Franceschi
Mr. Billy Montgomery
Mr. Randy Phillips
Mr. Cliff Prewitt
Mr. Larry Yeager

1.Call to Order/Roll Call

Amber Franceschi, District 1

Larry Yeager, District 2

Billy Montgomery, District 3

Cliff Prewitt, District 4

Randy Phillips, District 5

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda

Order #202387 - Motion Passed: Approval of agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

The agenda is being presented for approval. Any changes are to be made at this time.

4. Recognitions

1. Superior Titan Award- A student from each school (Mercer Elementary, Mercer Co. Intermediate School, King Middle, and Mercer County Senior High School) will be recognized each month at the board of education

meetings for their efforts in the classroom, leadership skills and attitude. The student award recipient must meet the following guidelines:

- Perfect attendance during the month student(s) are being observed.
- Completed all homework assignments and tests.
- Passing grade.
- No discipline issues.
- Demonstrates good leadership skills.
- Exhibits a winning attitude and spirit toward learning and peers.

Mercer County Elementary School - Levi Brown, 2nd grade

Mercer County Intermediate School – Jennifer Silverio Bernabe, 4th grade

King Middle School – Norah Martin, 8th grade

Mercer County Senior High School – Raegan Daniels, 9th grade

5. Personnel Appointment: Board Secretary

Order #202388 - Motion Passed: Motion to appoint Holly Cook as Board Secretary passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Mr. Larry Yeager.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

A motion, second and vote is needed to appoint the Board Secretary for a 1 year term from January 2022 through December 2022. Amber Minor resigned as Board Secretary as of January 1, 2022. Holly Cook to be named Board Secretary for this term.

6. Public Participation

Pursuant to Board Policy 01.421, persons wishing to address the Board must first be recognized by the Chairperson and stand behind the podium. An individual or group granted the privilege of being heard must give his/her name, address, and reason for speaking. The Chairperson may rule on the relevance of the topic to the Board's Agenda, and will set the time limit to three (3) minutes. The Board will only act on/respond to items on the published agenda. If you wish to have an item placed on the agenda, you must first meet with the Superintendent.

At this time the board will receive comments from the public.

7. Reports

This section of the agenda is reserved for reports only, no action will be taken.

A. Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent will report to the board at this time.

B. Finance Officers Report

The Finance Officer will report to the board at this time.

December 2021 Recap

- Ending GF Cash Balance
 - \$7.56 million as opposed to \$7.54 million last December
- General Fund Revenue:
 - Overall revenue was 11.95% higher as opposed to last December, including the budgeted beginning balance.
 - Receipts received in the year are up 4.34% compared to the prior year at the same time.
- Expenditures:
 - Up 19% compared to the prior year

January

- Review of Draft Budget by January 31
- Staffing Guidelines approval
- Request to Bid for Ground Maintenance

C. Instruction Report

The Chief Academic Officer will report to the board at this time.

D. Personnel Report

KRS 160.390; KRS 160.38; KRS 160.370 The Superintendent is responsible for all personnel actions including hiring, assignments, transfer, dismissal, suspension, reinstatement, promotion, and for reporting these actions to the board of education (KRS 160.390 (1)). All appointments, promotions and transfers of principals, supervisors, teachers, and other school employees shall be made only by the Superintendent of schools, who shall notify the Board of the action taken (KRS 160.380(2a)).

E. Annual Report for Random Drug Testing

David Buchanan will give an overview of the RDT program.

8. Consent Agenda

Order #202389 - Motion Passed: Approval of consent agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Ms. Amber Franceschi.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

“Consent Agenda” items are voted on with one motion and one vote.

These are, typically, items that happen on a regular basis, are annual fees, or routine items in doing business.

The board may discuss any item they wish.

The board has the option to pull any item out for a separate vote.

A. Board Meeting Minutes

B. Invoices

C. SBDM Meeting Minutes

Approval of SBDM Meeting Minutes as presented.

D. Alternate Attendance for Students with Disabilities

E. HOSA State Conference

Seeking approval to take students to overnight conference event in Louisville, KY (March 17th and 18th). Fees are covered by club and individuals.

F. Permission to Request Bids for Grounds Maintenance

Permission is being requested to seek bids for Grounds Maintenance for the contract term beginning April 1, 2022.

G. Approval of the 2022-2023 Staffing Guidelines

H. SFCC Offer

Pursuant to KRS 157.622, the School Facilities Construction Commission (SFCC) is hereby making an official Offer of Assistance to the Mercer County Schools Board of Education. Acceptance of this Offer of Assistance commits the school district to adhere to the statutes and regulations governing this program. This Offer of Assistance is in the annual debt service amount of \$16,584 to be used towards proposed construction or major renovation of facilities outlined in your most current approved facility plan. House Bill 192 of the 2021 Session of the General Assembly states:

“Notwithstanding KRS 157.611 to 157.665, the School Facilities Construction Commission is authorized to make an additional \$58,000,000 in offers of assistance during the 2020-2022 biennium in anticipation of debt service availability during the 2022-2024 biennium. No bonded indebtedness based on the above amount is to be incurred during the 2020-2022 biennium.”

This means that while the Commission is making this offer now, no bonds may be sold prior to June 30, 2022, which assumes that funding is included in the 2022-2024 biennium. In order for your district to be eligible to accept this offer, it will be necessary for you to verify that your district has transferred to the SFCC Escrow – Current Offer (Code 8738) the fund balances remaining in both the Building Fund and Capital Outlay Fund as of June 30, 2021, plus interest accumulated on these funds.

I. Superintendent Travel and Expenses

9. Enter into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(b)

Order #202390 - Motion Passed: Approval of consent agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Ms. Amber Franceschi.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

Order #202391 - Motion Passed: Approval to enter into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(b) passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Mr. Cliff Prewitt.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

A motion is needed to enter into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(b).

10. Exit Executive Session

Order #202392 - Motion Passed: Approval to enter into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(b) passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Mr. Cliff Prewitt.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

A motion is needed to exit Executive Session.

11. Action Related to Executive Session

12. Action Items for Discussion

The following items require board action, but do not require a roll call vote for approval.

A. Baseball, Softball, Golf Facility Architectural Bids

Order #202393 - Motion Passed: Approval of Ross Tarrant Architect to be named the Architect for the Baseball, Softball, Golf Facility Construction Project passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Mr. Larry Yeager.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

The district released a Request for Letters of Interest for hiring the Architect for the Baseball, Softball, Golf Facility Construction Project. Letters of Interest were due to the district on Friday, January 14th. The district received three letters of interest from:

- RBS Design Group Architecture
- RossTarrant Architects
- Sherman Carter Barnhart Architects

B. Surplus Busses

Order #202394 - Motion Passed: Approval to surplus busses passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Ms. Amber Franceschi.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

C. District Facilities Plan

Order #202395 - Motion Passed: Approval of the District Facilities Plan passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Mr. Cliff Prewitt.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

Presentation and approval of the District Facilities Plan that was approved from the Local Planning Committee.

D. Improvement Plans

Order #202396 - Motion Passed: Approval of the improvement plans presented by Jason McAllister passed with a motion by Ms. Amber Franceschi and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

Approval of the improvement plans reported by Jason McAllister.

13. Action Items for Roll Call Vote

The following items require board action and a roll call vote for approval.

The superintendent presents the District Facilities Plan to the board for approval

A. Leader in Me School

Order #202397 - Motion Passed: Approval for MCIS to become a Leader in Me school beginning April 2022 passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Yeager and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

Mercer County Intermediate School would like to sign a contract with Franklin Covey Client Sales to become a Leader in Me school. This contract will cover 3 years of implementation.

It will cost \$82,616.05. \$40,000 of this will come from our Title 1 funds. \$42,616.05 will come from our SBDM funds which has been approved by our SBDM council.

B. District Facilities Plan Hearing Officer

Order #202398 - Motion Passed: Approval of Tim Eaton, KSPMA Facilitator as DFP public hearing officer passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

The District Facilities Plan public hearing will be held on Monday, January 31, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. and a hearing officer must be named. Tim Eaton, KSPMA Facilitator is recommended for approval as the hearing officer.

14. Adjournment

Order #202399 - Motion Passed: Approval to adjourn the meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Mr. Larry Yeager.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes

Order #202400 - Motion Passed: Approval to adjourn the meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Mr. Larry Yeager.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes
Mr. Larry Yeager	Yes