

Regular Meeting
February 17, 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

Updated Attendance:

Ms. Amber Franceschi was updated to present at: 5:41 PM

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 #202416 - Motion Passed: Approval of agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Mr. Cliff Prewitt.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Absent
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 - Briley Rossoll, 1st grade

Mercer County Intermediate School – Jordan Aguiar, 5th grade

King Middle School – Landyn Rowland, 6th grade

Mercer County Senior High School – Sara Dunn

Superior Titan (January) - Raegan Daniels, Jennifer Bernabe

2. Other Student Recognitions:

- Claudia Montgomery, 6th grade, Spelling Bee Winner
- Jax Mertz, 6th grade, District Spelling Bee Runner-Up, County Wide Spelling Bee Runner Up
- Will Dean - placed 4th In Arts & Humanities written assessment and will advance to the state competition in March

FPS Team as a whole placed 4th at the Regional Governors Cup. Those team members are

- Will Dean
- Anne Whitenack
- Liam Moffett
- Allie Fenwick

FPS Coaches

- Kristen Devine
- Dr. Ekambaram Elumalai

FPS Contest Manager

- Shelli Engler

5. 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.

6. 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 Officer's Report

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

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January 2022 General Fund Recap

- Ending GF Cash Balance:
 - \$ 7.65 million as opposed to \$7.47 million last January
- General Fund Revenue:
 - Overall revenue was 10.89% higher as opposed to last January, including the budgeted beginning balance.
 - Receipts received in the year are up 3.94% compared to the prior year at the same time.
 - Received 75.1% of the overall revenue that was budgeted for the year, including the beginning balance.
 - Received 65.8% of the receipts that were budgeted for the year.
 - Due to January being 58.3% through the fiscal year, these numbers indicate the district will receive more revenue than budgeted.
- General Fund Expenditures:
 - Up 14% compared to the prior year
 - Expenses of \$1.56 million in January
 - Expended 47.8% of the budgeted expenses for the year.
 - Expended and encumbered 54.8% of the budgeted expenses for the year.
 - Due to January being 58.3% through the fiscal year, these numbers indicate the district will expend less than budgeted in the fiscal year.

February:

- SBDM Allocations for fiscal year 2023 will need to be board approved in order to be sent to councils by March 1st.
- Student Accident Insurance Renewal
- Mowing contract
- Continue review of contracts/bids

March:

- Continue review of contracts/bids
- Audit contract
- Property/Accident/Workers Comp/Liability Insurance Renewals
- Continue development of salary schedule and Tentative Budget
 - Working session?

C. Attendance/Enrollment Report

The DPP will report to the board at this time.

D. National School Counselor Week-Yearly Update

School counselors will give a report on the status of mental health services in our schools.

E. 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)).

7. Consent Agenda

Order #202417 - Motion Passed: Approval of consent 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

“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. 2022-2023 Emergency Certified Subs

Approval is needed for the next school year in order to continue utilizing emergency certified substitutes in the district.

E. 2022-2023 Emergency Teaching Certificates

Approval of any Emergency Teaching Certificates for the 2022-2023 school year is being sought. The district only uses this option if there are no certified individuals who have applied to a position.

F. KMS Fundraiser

G. Job Description Approvals

The following job descriptions are up for approval

- EL Teacher

- Gifted and Talented Teacher

H. FRYSC Continuation Plan FY 2022-2024

The FRYSC Coordinators have presented their Continuation Plans to both the Advisory Council and Site Based Council for approval and now request the approval of the 2022-2024 FRYSC Continuation Plans by the board.

I. Superintendent Travel

8. Action Items for Roll Call Vote

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

A. Student Accident Insurance

Order #202418 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Student Accident Insurance policy for 2022-23 through Zurich Insurance in the amount of \$78,574 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

Mercer County Schools has used Roberts Insurance in Richmond, Kentucky for our Student Accident coverage for a number of years. They are very well known and utilized among Kentucky school districts.

The current plan covers up to a maximum benefit of \$25,000 for each injury for a 26 week loss period, and medical charges within two years of injury. It also includes an accidental death benefit of \$10,000 and catastrophic coverage up to \$7,500,000.

Current plan: Zurich Insurance Company - \$78,574

There is no change from the current year cost of coverage.

B. Position and Salary Schedule Additions

Order #202419 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Position and Salary Schedule Additions as presented passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Yeager 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

The following positions and job descriptions are being requested for approval:

- 1 Teaching position, 185 days, Certified Salary Schedule, paid by Preschool Partnership Grant.

- 2 Instructional Assistant positions, 180 days, Classified Salary Schedule, paid by Preschool Partnership Grant.
- Behavior Coach (7881), 185 days, Level I or II on the Classified Administrative Salary Schedule, paid by ESSER funds.
- 2 Grounds Maintenance Workers (7448), 8 hours, 240 days, Level 4 on Classified Hourly Salary Schedule, paid by general funds, to replace Mowing/Trimming contract with outside company. Current lowest bid came in at \$73,000 for the year starting April 1. The estimated average cost of these positions will be \$35,000 each, including fringe benefits.

The following additions to the salary schedule are being requested for approval:

- \$8,000 for Preschool Partnership Grant Coordinator (pro-rated for partial year)
- \$8,000 for School Psychologist Services for Preschool Partnership Grant (pro-rated for partial year)
- \$5,000 for Preschool Partnership Grant Liaison (pro-rated for partial year)
- 7448 Grounds Maintenance Worker added to Level 4 on Classified Hourly

C. 2022-2023 SBDM Preliminary Allocations

Order #202420 - Motion Passed: Approval of the 2022-2023 Preliminary SBDM Allocations 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

Please see the attached document regarding Preliminary 2022-23 SBDM Allocations to be sent to councils by March 1, 2022.

9. Enter into Executive Session Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(f)

Order #202421 - Motion Passed: Approval to enter into executive session passed with a motion by Ms. Amber Franceschi 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 is needed to enter into Executive Session Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(f)

10. Exit Executive Session

Order #202422 - Motion Passed: Approval to exit executive session 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

A motion is needed to exit Executive Session

11. Action Related to Executive Session

If action is needed from Executive Session a motion will be needed.

12. Adjournment

Order #202423 - Motion Passed: Approval to adjourn the meeting 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