

**Regular Meeting
March 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

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
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 - Charlotte Cox, 2nd Grade

Mercer County Intermediate School – GT Hume, 3rd Grade

King Middle School – Anne Whitenack, 7th Grade

2. Other Student Recognitions:

The following recognitions are from the District and Regional Governors Cup Competition. There are 4 schools in our district, and 16 in our region.

- Mallory King- 1st place in the District Written Competition
- MacKenzie Somssich- Member of the FPS team which received first place overall at the District Competition
- Presley Nally- Member of the FPS team which received first place overall at the District Competition
- Jaxson Webb- member of the FPS team which received first place overall at the District Competition, 3rd place in the District Arts and Humanities Written Assessment
- Kessie Wieliczco- Member of the FPS team which received first place overall at the District Competition
- Cameron Hogue- Member of the quick recall team which placed as the runner-up at the District Competition and fourth place at the Regional Competition, 2nd Place- District Science Written Assessment, 2nd Place- District Social Studies Written Assessment, 1st Place- Regional Social Studies Written Assessment, 2nd Place- Regional Science Written Assessment
- Henry Bell- Member of the quick recall team which placed as the runner-up at the District Competition and fourth place at the Regional Competition, 1st place- District Science Written Assessment, Tie for 2nd Place- District Math written assessment
- Ashtyn Springate- Member of the quick recall team which placed as the runner-up at the District Competition and fourth place at the Regional Competition, 3rd place- District Language Arts Written Assessment
- Layne Sutton- Member of the quick recall team which placed as the runner-up at the District Competition and fourth place at the Regional Competition, Tie for 2nd Place- District Math Written Assessment
- Meredith Montgomery- Member of the quick recall team which placed as the runner-up at the District Competition and fourth place at the Regional Competition, 2nd place- District Competition Arts and Humanities Written Assessment, 2nd Place- District Language Arts Written Assessment
- Cora Fenwick- Member of the quick recall team which placed as the runner-up at the District Competition and fourth place at the Regional Competition, 5th place- District Language Arts Written Assessment

The following are various academic and sports recognitions at the high school level

- Jaicy Todd- Third place in the State Jim Claypool Conservation Essay Contest, first place in District
- Brooklyn Mullins- Kentucky Youth Chief Justice for 2022-2023
- Sadie Peavler- Harrodsburg Rotary Speech contest winner
- Kaleb Mitchell- District and Regional art winner
- Sarah Bafundo- District and Regional art winner
- Kiara McConville- District art winner
- Ashlyn Cheek- District art winner
- Veronica Schroeder, FPS team member, which placed 1st in District Governor's Cup and 3rd in Region Governor's Cup
- Lauren Hayslett- FPS team member, which placed 1st in District Governor's Cup and 3rd in Region Governor's Cup
- Nathan Simpson- FPS team member, which placed 1st in District Governor's Cup and 3rd in Region Governor's Cup

- Nathaniel Vittitoe- FPS team member, which placed 1st in District Governor's Cup and 3rd in Region Governor's Cup, National Merit Finalist
- Matthew Mays - Indoor State Champion in Long Jump and Triple Jump
- Jai Maria Piazza- Indoor State Champion 60 meter hurdles and 400 meter

3. Staff Recognitions

- **Dr. Eka- Govenor's Scholars Teacher**
- **Debbie Perrin- Academic Team Coach**
- **Stephanie Abrams- Academic Team Coach**

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. Finance Officer's Report

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February 2022 General Fund Recap

-Ending GF Cash Balance:

- o \$ 6.8 million as opposed to \$7.4 million last February

- General Fund Revenue:

- o Overall revenue was 5.75% higher as opposed to last February, including the beginning balance.
- o Receipts received in the year are down 1.73% compared to the prior year at the same time.
- o Received 79% of the overall revenue that was budgeted for the year, including the beginning balance.
- o Received 70.8% of the receipts that were budgeted for the year.
 - Due to February being 66.7% through the fiscal year, these numbers indicate the district will receive more revenue than budgeted.

- General Fund Expenditures:

- Up 11% compared to the prior year
- o Expenses of \$1.85 million in February
 - Main increase due to KISTA Lease Payments of \$264,586.78
- o Expended 55.3% of the budgeted expenses for the year.
- o Expended and encumbered 63.6% of the budgeted expenses for the year.
 - Due to January being 66.7% through the fiscal year, these numbers indicate the district will expend less than budgeted in the fiscal year.

B. 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)).

C. Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent will report to the board at this time.

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

Order #202424 - Motion Passed: Approval to enter into Executive Session 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 is needed to enter into executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(b).

8. Exit Executive Session

Order #202425 - Motion Passed: Approval to exit Executive Session 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

A motion is needed to exit Executive Session

9. Action Related to Executive Session

10. Consent Agenda

Order #202426 - 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. Baseball/Softball Booster agreement

E. NKU MOA

F. FRYSC Coordinator

G. Fundraiser for Library-Scholastic Book Fair

KMS is requesting to host a book fair April 29-May 6, that will serve as a fundraiser for the library.

H. Out of State Band Trip

As a reward, band students from KMS and MCHS for their Music in the Parks day.

I. KBE Waiver for Restricted Funds

Permission is being sought to request a waiver from the Kentucky Board of Education to utilize restricted construction funds for all discretionary construction projects that do not automatically qualify for the use of these funds.

J. Superintendent Travel

K. Surplus Property

The district currently owns a parcel of land on East Factory Street with the approximate acreage of 6.55. In order to entertain offers to sell this property the board needs to deem it as surplus property.

This property is not currently on the District Facilities Plan for use of any kind. Once the property is deemed as surplus, the district will submit a request for approval from KDE to dispose of the property and sell it.

11. Action Items for Discussion

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

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. Baseball Softball Agreement

Order #202427 - Motion Passed: Approval of SD/DD documents for the Mercer County Baseball & Softball Complex project with two home dugouts with no bathroom and an addition of a visitor softball dugout in the amount of \$4.25 million 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

RossTarrant Architects will present

B. Soccer Pressbox Agreement

Order #202428 - Motion Passed: Approval of SD/DD documents for the Mercer County softball press box addition in the amount of \$200,000 passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

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

RossTarrant Architects will present.

C. Academic Honors Policy

12. Action Items for Roll Call Vote

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

A. 2021-2022 Calendar Update

Order #202429 - Motion Passed: Approval of the 21-22 school year calendar, as presented passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Yeager 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

Please consider the following recommendations:

- Reduce the number of student instructional days from 173-172. Even with this reduction, we exceed the state requirement of 170 days and 1,062 both in days and hours.

- May 27th: last student day of instruction (early release)
- May 31: Staff workday
- June 1: Closing day for staff
- June 2: Professional Day for teachers in the 22-23 calendar year

B. Property Appraisal

Order #202430 - Motion Passed: Approval to hire an appraisal on property 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

Permission is being requested to hire and appraisal on property.

C. Mowing/Trimming Contract

Order #202431 - Motion Passed: Approval of Taylor's Lawncare for the Mowing/Trimming Contract in the amount of \$75,000 for Option 2 to begin April 1, 2022 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

The district received proposals for the mowing and trimming contract on February 14, 2022. The tabulation from that bid opening is attached. The district is currently paying \$50,000 for the mowing and trimming contract, option 2, dated April 1, 2021 - March 31, 2022.

13. Adjournment

Order #202432 - 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 #202433 - 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