



The Newport Board of Education held a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 6:30 PM. The meeting was held at 30 W. 8th Street, Newport.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Malone called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call. The following were present: Ramona Malone, Dr. Julie Smith-Morrow, Aaron Sutherland, Melissa Sheffel, and Sylvia Covington.

Ms. Malone asked those in attendance to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance and pause for a Moment of Reflection.

PRESENTATIONS

The following staff members were recognized upon their retirement from Newport:

- Jennifer Helson – Campbell County Skills U
- Dianne Schutte – Newport Intermediate School
- Carla Davis – Welcome Center

Megan Brown, Newport High School, was recognized as a recipient of The Golden Apple Award.

Newport High School Monthly Recognitions:

- Bri Cook – Teacher of the Month
- Kylie Rose – Student of the Month

Newport Primary School Monthly Recognitions:

- Brenda Ryder – Teacher of the Month
- Graclynn Borgemenke – Student of the Month

Newport Intermediate School Monthly Recognitions:

- Shannon Childers – Teacher of the Month
- Holly Macario-Avila – Student of the Month

Lisa Swanson recognized Marty Varias for his accomplishments at the Winter Special Olympics. He won gold and silver medals in the giant slalom events.

Rachel Crockett was in attendance to recognize students who have advanced to national competition:

- Addie Collard
- Abby Rubright
- Brandon Harris
- Logan Fulmer
- Andrew Rath

Bonnie Stacey was in attendance to recognize SkillsUSA winners and STLP winners:

- Caroline Turner
- Tashiana Matlock
- Brooklyn Caudle
- Emily Ashcraft
- Wayne Peterson
- Donovan Macario
- Kendall Mayse
- Angel Chatham
- Brandon Harris

Mr. Hunter introduced the 21/22 boys' basketball team and congratulated the players and their coach, Rod Snapp, as this year's district runner-up's.

The board congratulated all those recognized and thanked the parents, friends, and family who came out to support their loved ones. Ms. Malone announced a 10-minute break to greet tonight's guests.

MINUTES OF APRIL 20, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING AND MAY 11, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SHEFFEL the minutes were approved as presented.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

On MOTION BY COVINGTON AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the bills were approved for payment and the financial statement was accepted and will be filed for audit.

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Ms. Hoover's report also included:

- Credit card expenditures
- Administrator expense report
- Financial report
- School Security Funds Request
- FY22 Audit Contract
- FY23 Tentative Budget
- FY23 Proposed Salary Schedule Data

STUDENT SUPPORT AND LEARNING SERVICES

The superintendent's update included:

- Incentive programs for individual attendance and achievement per building. Committee working to put a proposal together to present in June.
- Hiring bonus – draft contract to be presented in June
- Dustin Miller – branding update. Dustin presented several new designs per the board's request. After discussion and asking for a minor change to the most popular design, the board did unanimously agree on a new brand for the district office.
- Ignite Institute tour
- Personnel report
- TEDS stipend
- Summer school enrollment
- NFL grant
- Graduation
- End of year celebration June 1st
- Memorial Day parade
- Cancel the work session scheduled on June 8th so board can attend Covington's Education Foundation event.

Ms. Ball presented the curriculum department report. Their report covered:

- Assessments
- Professional Learning
- Federal and State funds

There were no questions.

DPP/Student Services update:

- Enrollment summary
- Attendance data
- Student services updates

There were no questions.

Facilities/Transportation/Safe Schools/Healthy at Work update:

- Transportation
- Facilities
- Safe Schools
- NFL Grant Information

There were no questions.

Special Education update:

- Post-secondary transition services
- KDE Parent Survey
- End of year testing and evaluation report
- Programming rates

- District mental health clinician report

There were no questions.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Personnel report;
2. Certified and classified staff 22/23 SY;
3. Tentative (draft) budget 2023;
4. Pay 22/23 KASA dues for members;
5. 22/23 KEDC Cooperative Membership Agreement;
6. Renew the auditor's contract with Maddox and Associates, CPAs, Inc. for audit period 6/30/2022;
7. SFCC offer of \$2,145,000 for local area vocational center with a local match of 10%;
8. Proposal from Geotechnology for special inspection, construction observation, and materials testing for the primary school kitchen project;
9. School Security Funds Request;
10. Add \$2,000 stipend to the extra service salary schedule for maintaining the TEDS database system for CTE students (Technical Education Database System);
11. Proposed textbook adoptions:
 - Houghton Mifflin Harcourt – Math in Focus
 - TCI – Social Studies
12. Contract with NWEA for School Improvement;
13. Approve expenses for board members to attend the KSBA 2022 Summer Leadership Institute on July 15-16, 2022;
14. Cancel June 8th work session;
15. MOU with Boone County School District regarding The Ignite Institute;
16. Adopt the following resolution regarding HB 678 related to facility projects and affairs:

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2022, Governor Andy Beshear signed 2022 Regular Session House Bill 678 (hereinafter "HB 678") into law, making it effective immediately at that time pursuant to the emergency clause in Section 8 of the bill; and

WHEREAS, HB 678 provides great flexibilities to local boards of education relating to the funding, financing, design, construction, renovation, or modification of the district's facilities and other facilities-related matters notwithstanding certain requirements for obtaining the prior approval of the Kentucky Department of Education or the Kentucky Board of Education as stated in various statutes and administrative regulations; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of HB 678 generally apply from April 8, 2022, until June 30, 2024, and also apply retroactively to submissions and requests that have been made by local boards prior to the effective date of the Act but that have not yet received approval from the appropriate board or official; and

WHEREAS, HB 678 requires a local board that elects to conduct its projects under the provisions of the bill to adopt a resolution by majority vote and submit the resolution to the Kentucky Department of Education as notice.

On MOTION SHEFFEL AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW consent agenda items 1-16 were approved as presented.

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COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

BOARD COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

After discussion, the board will hold the regular June meeting on June 15th at 5:00. The regular July meeting will be held June 20th at 5:00. These meetings will be advertised as special meetings due to date and time changes.

Ms. Sylvia Covington gave kudos to the high school drama department for the successful production of Legally Blonde.

ADJOURNMENT

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SUTHERLAND the meeting adjourned. Time: 8:50 PM

1321 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Chairman

Secretary