



The Newport Board of Education held a special meeting on Wednesday, June 29, 2022, at 5:00 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, and Melissa Sheffel.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Watts explained the purpose for requesting 34 additional days to be added to the EL Department Chair. Besides teaching, this person will oversee the Title III program at the school level, and will implement a Newcomer program at the high school. A Newcomer program is designed for recent immigrants at the secondary school level who have little or no English proficiency, and limited or no formal education in their native countries. These programs have been developed to meet newcomers' needs before they enter into general education classrooms. This is a short-term program with entrance and exit criteria.

Mr. Watts also addressed the change in staffing allocations at the high school from 2 school counselors to 1 counselor and 1 clinical psychologist. The main purpose in requesting this change is to provide more small groups with a licensed clinical psychologist. This position will also assume other school counselor duties. Other districts have used this position successfully and the high school principal has asked for this consideration.

1. Add 34 days to the EL Department Chair contract
2. Change the staffing allocation for NHS from 2 school counselors to 1 school counselor position and 1 clinical psychologist position.

On MOTION SUTHERLAND AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW new business items 1 and 2 were approved as presented.

1328 – MOTION CARRIED 4-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On MOTION BY SUTHERLAND AND SECONDED BY SHEFFEL the board went in executive session. KRS 61.810 (k) and KRS 156.577 Discussions Relating to the Evaluation of the Superintendent. Time 5:10 PM

1329 - MOTION CARRIED – 4-0

On MOTION BY SUTHERLAND AND SECONDED BY SMITH-MORROW the board returned to open session. Time: 8:03 PM

1330 -MOTION CARRIED 4-0

ADJOURNMENT

On MOTION BY SMITH-MORROW AND SECONDED BY SHEFFEL the meeting adjourned. Time: 8:04 PM

1331 – MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Chairman

Secretary