

ESTILL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS
(MINUTES)

Special Called Board Meeting
April 11, 2023, 6:00 p.m.
Estill County Board of Education
Boardroom
253 Main Street

Present Board Members:

Mr. Bryan Covey
Ms. Tammy Hardy
Ms. Donna Isfort
Ms. Shiela Samples
Ms. Carrie Smallwood

Visitors: CO Staff members Tonya Isaacs, Angie Howell, Donald Norton, Jeremy Simpson, and Stephen Willis.

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Ms. Donna Isfort called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

A. Welcome/Pledge

Chairperson Ms. Donna Isfort led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Reminder to Sign In

II. Budget Work Session

The session began with a discussion a SEEK funding reduction for the FY24 school year. Due to inaction by our Legislature in the Spring 2023 session, approximately 118 school districts across the State face major budget implications from the COVID-19 pandemic. Districts are no longer allowed to use FY19 data for funding purposes. Mr. Norton reviewed a spreadsheet comparing FY19 attendance data to the current FY23 attendance data. At our current ADA, the district will be losing at \$1 Million in SEEK Funding.

The Board looked at several options to address the funding shortfall in the FY24 Budget. In order to make these types of cuts ultimately means reducing personnel since over 70% of our Budget is dedicated to personnel.

- The Board discussed the reduction of 7 positions and revisions to other positions in the district through attrition and ESSER Funding. (\$490K)
- The Board discussed using Capital Outlay funds to pay for the two buses ordered in October. (\$250K)

- Reduction in Maintenance cost due to new facilities requiring less repair and upkeep. (\$100K)
- The Board discussed increases in Indirect costs for the federal program. (\$398K)
- Addition revenue through Bank Interest, Medicaid, Increased Tax Assessments, and JUUL Settlement. (\$180K)

The Board reviewed the following documents, which reflect the possible options above.

- District Staffing Policy
- Certified Teaching positions by the school. FY23 and Projected FY24 numbers.
- ESSER Funded Positions
- District Salary Schedule

Finally, the Board reviewed a draft of the tentative Budget, reflecting the options and documents listed above. The Tentative Budget will be considered for approval at our next meeting on April 20th.

With no further discussion, the work session was adjourned.

III. Adjourn

Order #14969 - Motion Passed: Adjourned Board Meeting at 7:28 p.m. passed with Ms. Shiela Samples' motion and Ms. Tammy Hardy's second.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Mr. Bryan Covey	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes

Jeff Saylor, Secretary

Donna Isfort, Chairperson

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