Minutes

BEREA INDEPENDENT BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 31, 2023 11:30 AM

Berea Board of Education, Guy Colson Conference Room

The Berea Board of Education met on August 31, 2023 at 11:30 AM in the Berea Board of Education, Guy Colson Conference Room. The following board members were present:

Attendance Taken at : 11:30 AM

Present Board Members:

Rebecca Blankenship

Dr. Jacqueline Burnside

Mr. Van Gravitt

Mr. Tom McCay

Absent Board Members:

Mr. Jarred Penn

**I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion Passed: Approval of the agenda as written was passed with a motion by Mr. Tom McCay and a second by Rebecca Blankenship.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

Rebecca Blankenship Yes

Dr. Jacqueline Burnside Yes

Mr. Van Gravitt Yes

Mr. Tom McCay Yes

Mr. Jarred Penn Absent

**III. BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION**

**A. Revised Motor Vehicle Tax Rate**

Motion Passed: Approve the revised Tax Rate for Motor Vehicles of 59.1 cents per $100 of assessed value per the recommendation of KDE. The property tax rates shown below are calculated under the provisions of KRS 160.470 (House Bill 44). The tax rate for 2022-2023 school year was 59.1 cents per $100 of assessed value passed with a motion by Mr. Tom McCay and a second by Rebecca Blankenship.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

Rebecca Blankenship Yes

Dr. Jacqueline Burnside Yes

Mr. Van Gravitt Yes

Mr. Tom McCay Yes

Mr. Jarred Penn Absent

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**B. Emergency Certified Teachers**

Motion Passed: Approve the hiring of Emergency Certified teachers in “critical shortage areas” as well as any other position in which the district/schools cannot find certified staff for the 2023-2024 school year. The USDOE has not updated the critical shortage areas since the 2019-20 school year. It currently lists Early Childhood Ed, and English as a Second Language as critical shortage areas for our region. EPSB has also approved the issuance of a second emergency teaching certificate for those who held emergency certificates in 2022-23 school year passed with a motion by Rebecca Blankenship and a second by Dr. Jacqueline Burnside.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

Rebecca Blankenship Yes

Dr. Jacqueline Burnside Yes

Mr. Van Gravitt Yes

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Mr. Jarred Penn Absent

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**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion Passed: Approval to adjourn the meeting passed with a motion by Rebecca Blankenship and a second by Dr. Jacqueline Burnside.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

Rebecca Blankenship Yes

Dr. Jacqueline Burnside Yes

Mr. Van Gravitt Yes

Mr. Tom McCay Yes

Mr. Jarred Penn Absent

V. 2023 Meeting Schedule