

Regular Meeting  
September 19, 2023 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**

**Order #202752 - Motion Passed:** Approval of agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery 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

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- Briggs Dean Mercer County Intermediate School Lev Phelps King Middle School Olive Frisby Mercer County Senior High School Izzie Carlton 2. Other Student Recognitions: 3. Staff Recognitions:

**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, but not to exceed fifteen (15). 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

Ending GF Cash Balance: o \$ 6.73 million as opposed to \$5.39 million last year at the same time. General Fund Revenue: o Overall revenue increased 7% compared to the prior year at the same time. o Receipts received in the year were 25% higher as opposed to the prior year at the same time. Some of this revenue will be posted back into the prior year as final adjustments are made for fiscal year 2023. General Fund Expenditures: o Up 9% compared to the prior year at the same time. o Expenses of \$1.75 million in August.

#### B. Attendance/Enrollment Report

The DPP will report to the board at this time.

#### C. 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)).

#### D. High School Principal Report

Any principal may report to the board at this time if needed.

#### E. Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent will report to the board at this time.

#### 7. Consent Agenda

**Order #202753 - Motion Passed:** Approval of consent agenda 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

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. Superintendent PGP

#### D. Out of State Travel for FCCLA

Requesting to take 5-7 students to the FCCLA fall national conference in Birmingham, AL, November 9-12. Funding will come from students, FCCLA activity fund, LAVEC funds and Perkins funding.

#### E. FFA Out of State Field Trip

Mercer Co FFA is requesting permission to attend the National FFA Convention that is located in Indianapolis, IN. The trip will be paid by the following: LAVEC (requested), Perkins (advisor travel), FFA and students.

#### F. Art to Remember Fundraiser

Art to Remember is an art fundraiser to help preserve childhood memories. It also helps promote and support art education. A few examples that parents can select for their child's art to be made on a coffee mug, ornament, and or bookmarks. Art to Remember cost the school/board zero dollars. They will provide shipping for the art and paper. I will be handling the advertising through Dojo and other forms that MCIS uses, as needed. None and the funding is coming from Art to Remember. The art department at MCIS will receive a portion of the sales.

#### **G. Art/Drama Field Trip**

Art Drama Students would like to take a trip to Cincinnati to see the National Broadway Touring Production of "Beetlejuice." Students will cover the cost of their ticket (Approx. \$85)

#### **H. Andrew Lloyd Webber Initiative Grant Application**

With the generous support of the Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation, the American Theatre Wing is investing in public schools to help drama teachers get more of the resources they need to provide quality theatre instruction in their schools. Through this grant-giving program, funding will be provided directly to under-resourced public schools to provide equipment, instruments, and other necessary materials to both create new opportunities and enhance existing theatre programs. More Information can be found at this link: <https://alwinitiative.secure-platform.com/a/page/ClassroomResources>.

#### **I. LGE Community Grant & Walmart Community Grant Applications**

The Drama Club is requesting approval to apply for several community grants to support the theatre program. More information can be found at these sites: <https://lge-ku.com/community> and <https://walmart.org/how-we-give/local-community-grants>

#### **J. Final 2023-24 SBDM Allocations**

Please see attachment. Cost will come from general fund.

#### **K. Kentucky's Night at the Museum- Out of state travel**

If approved, KMS would like to partner with Freedom Tours and bring back the KY Night at the Museum trip we did for several years before covid. This trip will be chaperoned by KMS teachers and Ms. Wilson, KMS Administrator. This trip will be open to 7/8 grade students. Cost will be covered by students

#### **L. Out of State Travel**

Please see attached. Cost will be conference registration, travel, and hotel. I have budgeted money to cover for my three officers, out of LAVEC fund. I have reached out to the state wide DECA Advisor, and KDE office of Career and Technical Education employee, Mrs. Lisa Oakes. She has agreed to help with any extra supervisory responsibilities that might be required for my two female students that are hoping to participate in the trip. I am sure this would never be an issue, since it never is for other chapters that attend, but if it is brought up- we have already planned for support in this area to mitigate any potential problems.

#### **M. MOA Approval**

#### **N. District Funding Assurances**

In order for the district to receive the federal funding it receives every year, the board must approve the Funding Assurances.

#### **8. Action Items for Discussion**

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

#### **9. Action Items for Roll Call Vote**

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

#### **A. Employee Leaves**

**Order #202754 - Motion Passed:** Approval 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

Please see attachments.

**B. Working Budget**

**Order #202755 - Motion Passed:** Approval passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery 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

The Working Budget is the final step in the budgeting process for the fiscal year. The Working Budget must be balanced, have a 2% contingency, be board approved, and be submitted to KDE by the end of September. Please see the documents attached outlining the 2023-24 Working Budget along with the Munis Working Budget document that will be submitted to KDE once it is approved.

**10. Adjournment**

**Order #202756 - Motion Passed:** Approval passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery 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

**Order #202757 - 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