

Regular Meeting
April 23, 2024 5:30 PM
Central Office

Attendance Taken at : 5:30 PM

Present Board Members:

Ms. Amber Franceschi
Amy Hart
Mr. Billy Montgomery
Mr. Randy Phillips
Mr. Cliff Prewitt

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Amber Franceschi, District 1 Amy Hart, District 2 Billy Montgomery, District 3 Cliff Prewitt, District 4 Randy Phillips, District 5

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda

Order #202836 - Motion Passed: Approval of agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	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- Olivia Potter Mercer County Intermediate School Brooklyn Aguiar King Middle School Maddie Steele Mercer County Senior High School Ella Adkins 2. Other Student Recognitions: Sadie Peavler- Rotary Club Speech Contest Sectional winner Karson Kerr- Selected to attend the Craft Academy at Morehead State University for the 2024-25 school year Norah Martin- FCCLA Region 15 Executive Council Rylan Genco- Archery Region Champion Trevor Ellis- Advocate Messenger Boys Basketball All-Area "Player of the Year" Anna Kate Drakeford- KABC 12th Region Player of the Year and Miss Basketball candidate, Lexington Herald-Leader 3rd Team All-State, Member of Kentucky Girls All-Star Team District Art Showcase Recognitions - (KMS and MCSHS) MCIS Odyssey Members Include Kyla Froelich Violet Hines Chloe Franks Isabel Franks Kyliegh Dedmon Kessie Wieliczko Michael Williams Coaches: Ashley Roach, Trinity Sinkhorn Odyssey of the Mind (OM) teaches students how to develop and use their natural creativity to become problem-solvers. OM brings the classroom to life as students apply what they learn and combine it with their interests and passions to solve our unique open-ended problems. OM also emphasizes teamwork, budgeting, time management, public speaking, and so much more. 3. Staff Recognitions: Kaley Bivins- We commend Kaley Bivins for her accomplishment in successfully finishing the year-long School Financial Management Institute training and achieving

certification as a Certified School Finance Manager by passing the examination. The School Financial Management Institute, a joint initiative between the UK College of Education and an advisory board comprised of education experts in Kentucky, equips participants with the knowledge and skills necessary to sit for the Certified School Financial Manager exam. Prior to this cohort, only 86 individuals in the state held this designation. Notably, Mercer County Schools currently has three individuals, including Kaley, who have attained this certification. Jaziel Guerra- Obtained his Doctor of Educational Leadership, Ed.D from the University of the Cumberland after successfully defending his dissertation.

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) minutes. 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

The Finance Officer will report to the board at this time. Current Fiscal Year Last Fiscal Year Percentage Change General Fund Cash Balance \$10.2 million \$8.23 million 23.9% increase General Fund Revenue (including Beg. Balance) \$23.6 million \$22.8 million 4% increase General Fund Receipts (excludes Beg. Balance) \$17.28 million \$17.2 million .46% increase Expenses \$14.2 million \$14.8 million 4% decrease Ending Balance \$9.4 million \$8 million 18% increase General Fund Revenue: o The district has received 85.2% of the revenue budgeted for the year at 75% through the fiscal year. Suggests the district will receive more than what was budgeted. General Fund Expenditures: o Expenses of \$1.5 million in March. o The district has expended and encumbered 67.3% of the expenses budgeted for the year at 75% through the fiscal year. Suggests the district will expend less than what was budgeted.

B. Attendance/Enrollment Report

The DPP will report to the board at this time.

C. Instruction Report

The Chief Academic Officer will report to the board at this time.

D. 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)).

E. District Technology Report Presentation

Yearly update to the 2024-2026 District Technology Report

F. MCIS Principals Report

G. Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent will report to the board at this time.

7. Consent Agenda

Order #202837 - Motion Passed: Approval of consent agenda passed with a motion by Ms. Amber Franceschi and a second by Amy Hart.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	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. Art to Remember

I am requesting to be able to do the Art to Remember for the 2024-2025 school year. I plan to start in September and will need to get supplies shipped to me in August. This fundraiser offers parents the opportunity to purchase their child's art in the form of merchandise. Art to Remember has been a success for the MCIS art department for this school year. I would like to continue to help fund art supplies. There is no cost to MCIS or the district. Funding will be coming from items purchased by the parents. I do not exchange any funds and everything is handled with Art to Remember.

D. Senior Trip

The seniors will be going to Kings Island on Friday May 3rd. The cost will be \$55 per person and will include lunch at the park. The group will ride school buses on the trip and will leave MCSHS @ 8:00 am and depart the park @ 7:00 pm to return home. Students will pay for admission and MCSHS will pay for the busses.

E. Facilities Use Request

F. Facilities Use Request

Please see attached

8. Action Items for Discussion

Order #202838 - Motion Passed: Approval of consent agenda passed with a motion by Ms. Amber Franceschi and a second by Amy Hart.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

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

A. Policy Updates-Second Reading

Order #202839 - Motion Passed: Review and approve second reading of policy updates passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

Attached draft policies of 03.175, 03.273, 03.1232 and 03.2232 to further define compensation for accumulated sick leave days for certified and classified employees working less than a full contract year.

B. 2024-25 School Calendar

Order #202840 - Motion Passed: Approval of 24-25 school calendar passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Amy Hart.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

Please see attached

C. 2025-26 School Calendar

2025-26 school calendar attached for review.

9. Action Items for Roll Call Vote

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

A. 2023-24 Audit Contract

Order #202841 - Motion Passed: Approval of the 2023-24 fiscal year passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Amy Hart.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

Please see the attached contract for audit services for the 2023-24 fiscal year. Services were not bid out again this year, as they were last year, therefore the district will still utilize White Company as the audit firm for the 2023-24 fiscal year, in the amount of \$19,575, which is no increase from the prior year. Cost will come from general fund.

B. Builder's Risk Insurance for New Elementary School

Order #202842 - Motion Passed: Approval passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Ms. Amber Franceschi.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

Please see the attached Builder's Risk Insurance policy information. The district must have this insurance in place during the construction phase of the new elementary school. The cost of this was already considered in the funding for the project. The cost for year one will be \$39,799.

C. Surplus Property Bids

Order #202843 - Motion Passed: Approval to sell one LED Panel to Aimee Mathews in the amount of \$125 passed with a motion by Amy Hart and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
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Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

The district received one bid for one LED Panel from the surplus property bid opening on April 11th. The bid was \$125 for one Panel from Aimee Mathews. The School Buses will be scrapped and sold for parts. The district will either utilize the other LED Panels or try to make another plan with them for the future.

D. Healthy Kids Clinic - Cumberland Family Medical Center

Order #202844 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Contract with Cumberland Family Medical Center, removing items for dental and behavioral services pending board attorney review passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Mr. Cliff Prewitt.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

Please see attached draft contract from Cumberland Family Medical Center regarding School Based Satellite Clinics.

E. Emergency Certified Substitutes

Order #202845 - Motion Passed: Approval passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

Approval to continue to use emergency certified subs.

F. Mercer County Athletics Change Order

Order #202846 - Motion Passed: Approval of change order 8 passed with a motion by Ms. Amber Franceschi and a second by Amy Hart.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

Approval of Change Order #8 for a credit of (\$5,200.78) for the remaining unused balance of Allowance #1

G. DPO Reconciliation

Order #202847 - Motion Passed: Approval of DPO passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

-approval of DPO reconciliation change order for the following credits: -CO #2203-08-01 Beacon Roofing Supply (\$3.31) -CO #2203-09-01 Dimensional Metals (\$978.66) -CO #2203-15-01 Stephens Pipe and Steel (\$48.24) -CO #2203-22-01 Liberty Tire (\$1,780.00) -CO #2203-26-01 Lee Building Products (\$0.02)

H. Special Inspections Change Order

Order #202848 - Motion Passed: Approval of LE Gregg change order passed with a motion by Mr. Billy Montgomery and a second by Amy Hart.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

Approval of LE Gregg Special Inspections change order in the amount of \$2,152.25 for additional testing at sinkhole remediation (attached)*

I. Enter into Executive Session Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(b)(f)

Order #202849 - Motion Passed: Approval passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Amy Hart.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

A motion must be made to enter into executive session

J. Exit Executive Session

Order #202850 - Motion Passed: Approval passed with a motion by Mr. Cliff Prewitt and a second by Mr. Billy Montgomery.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes

A motion must be made to exit executive session

K. Action Related to Executive Session

10. Adjournment

Order #202851 - Motion Passed: Approval to adjourn the meeting passed with a motion by Ms. Amber Franceschi and a second by Amy Hart.

Ms. Amber Franceschi	Yes
Amy Hart	Yes
Mr. Billy Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Randy Phillips	Yes
Mr. Cliff Prewitt	Yes