

Floyd County Board of Education Regular Meeting

December 18, 2023 6:30 PM

In Person and Video Teleconference

Renaissance Learning Center

Martin, KY

Attendance Taken at : 6:30 PM

Present Board Members:

Ms. Linda Gearheart

Mr. William Newsome

Dr. Chandra Varia

Mr. Steve Slone

Mr. Keith Smallwood

Anna Shepherd, Board Secretary and Board Attorney was in attendance.

1. Chair's Welcome/Call to Order

A. Roll Call/Welcome

B. Review Focus Areas- Safety and Health of Students and Staff; Remain Fiscally Solvent; Attendance 94%; Postsecondary Readiness; ACT 19.5

C. Reminder for a Request to Speak

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Moment of Individual Silent Reflection: "Why are we here?"

F. The Adoption of Agenda

Order #20420 - Motion Passed: Motion to adopt the agenda as is passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. William Newsome.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart Yes

Mr. William Newsome Yes

Dr. Chandra Varia Yes

Mr. Steve Slone Yes

Mr. Keith Smallwood Yes

Before the Agenda was approved: Steve Slone first asked the board the approve a \$500 Christmas Bonus to all employees.

Keith Smallwood also asked for a raise.

Dr. Varia said if we give a raise this year, we would need to do so for the next five years.

Linda Gearheart stated that the board could not make a motion without taking with Mrs. Shepherd and Finance.

2. Special Reports and Spotlight

A. Receive report from Trace Creek for the temporary Bus Garage/rebuild of the New Bus Garage

B. Receive FY 2023 Financial Audit Report, FY 2023 Annual Financial Report, and Final FY 2023 Balance Sheet

3. Community Comments to the Board of Education

A. Students

B. Parents, PTA/PTO

C. SBDM Councils

D. Classified Employees

E. Certified Employees/FCEA

F. Principals' Association

G. Members of the Board of Education

H. Public Comment

4. Action or Special Reports - Student Learning

A. Receive Attendance & Plans/Enrollment and Health Services Report

5. Action or Special Reports - Student Support

A. Receive Utility Report for Renaissance Learning Center

Order #20421 - Motion Passed: Receive Utility Report for Renaissance Learning Center passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

B. Receive Report of Superintendent

Order #20422 - Motion Passed: Receive Report of Superintendent passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

C. Accept Notification of Personnel Matters

Order #20423 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

1. Actions Taken

2. Requests for Leaves of Absences

D. Consider/Approve revised BG-1 for the Betsy Layne Elementary Roof Project, pending KDE Approval

Order #20424 - Motion Passed: Approval of revised BG-1 for the Betsy Layne Elementary Roof Project, pending KDE Approval passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

E. Consider/Approve Revised BG-1 for the Allen Elementary Re-Roof and HVAC Project, pending KDE Approval

Order #20425 - Motion Passed: Approval of Revised BG-1 for the Allen Elementary Re-Roof and HVAC Project, pending KDE Approval passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

F. Consider/Approve Revised BG-1 for the James D. Adams Middle School Re-Roof and HVAC project, pending KDE approval

Order #20426 - Motion Passed: Approval of Revised BG-1 for the James D. Adams Middle School Re-Roof and HVAC project, pending KDE approval passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

G. *Consider/Approve Construction Document and permission to advertise for bid the Synthetic Turf Replacement at Prestonsburg High School

Order #20427 - Motion Passed: Approval of Construction Document and permission to advertise for bid the Synthetic Turf Replacement at Prestonsburg High School passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

H. *Consider/Approve Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Architect for the Prestonsburg High School Turf Replacement project, pending KDE approval

Order #20428 - Motion Passed: Approval of Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Architect for the Prestonsburg High School Turf Replacement project, pending KDE approval passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

I. *Receive and review School Needs Assessment

Order #20429 - Motion Passed: Received and review School Needs Assessment passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

6. Action by Consent

Order #20430 - Motion Passed: Motion to approve all consent items as presented passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes

Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

A. *Consider Approval of Minutes

B. *Consider Payment of Bills and Claims

C. Consider/Approve Superintendent Timesheet, Travel and Expenses

D. Consider/Approve "Deeper Learning" grant continuing contract with KVEC

E. Consider/Retroactive approval for the PHS Wrestling Team to travel to Wise, Virginia to compete in the Bobby Bates Invitational on December 15-16, 2023

F. Consider/Approve the use of the May Valley Elementary Gym by the PTO for intramural basketball K-2 for May Valley students

G. Consider/Retroactive Approval for the Floyd County Wrestling Team out of state to Wise, Virginia on December 15, 2023 through December 16, 2023 to compete in the 11th Annual Bobby Bates Wrestling Classic

H. Consider/Approve time and date for January 2024 Board Meeting - January 22, 2024 at 6:30 P.M. at May Valley Elementary School

I. *Consider/Approve Betsy Layne High School Varsity Cheers request to travel to Florida for the National Cheer Competition in February 2024

J. *Consider/Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Floyd County Schools and Teach for America

K. *Consider/Approve out of state travel on December 19, 2023 through December 22, 2023 to Pigeon Forge, TN for the members of the boys' basketball team at Floyd Central High School via school bus provided by the Floyd county Transportation Department

7. Executive Session to Discuss (Litigation, Property, Personnel, and Expulsions), KRS 61.810

Order #20431 - Motion Passed: Motion to go into executive session to discuss (general nature of the business), (the reason for the closed session) per KRS 61.810 , the time being 7:03 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

Order #20432 - Motion Passed: Motion to come out of executive session to discuss (general nature of the business), (the reason for the closed session) per KRS 61.810 , the time being 7:37 PM passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

8. Adjournment

Order #20433 - Motion Passed: Motion to adjourn the meeting, the time being 7:39 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Mr. William Newsome.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes