Floyd County Board of Education Regular Meeting

April 28, 2025 6:00 PM

In Person and Video Teleconference Floyd County Board of Education Drs. Chandra and Mahendra Varia Media Center Eastern, KY



Attendance Taken at: 6:00 PM

Present Board Members:

Ms. Linda Gearheart

Mr. William Newsome

Dr. Chandra Varia

Mr. Keith Smallwood

Absent Board Members:

Mr. Steve Slone

Tonya Horne-Williams, 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

Bailey Goble lead the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

E. The Adoption of Agenda

Order #20648 - Motion Passed: Motion to adopt the agenda as is passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Ms. Linda Gearheart.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

- 2. Special Reports and Spotlight
- A. Special Student and Employee recognition
- 1. Shepherd was recognized as SRO of the year.
- 2. Nichole was recognized for her work with the John M Stumbo school and staff on Autisime
- B. Presentation/Recommendation from Photo Committee on School Picture Bids received

Order #20649 - Motion Passed: Presentation/Recommendation from Photo Committee on School Picture Bids received and Life Touch was chosen as the winner of the School Picture Bid passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda GearheartYesMr. William NewsomeYesDr. Chandra VariaYesMr. Steve SloneAbsentMr. Keith SmallwoodYes

- 3. Community Comments to the Board of Education
- A. Students
- B. Parents, PTA/PTO
- C. SBDM Councils
- **D.** Classified Employees
- E. Certified Employees/FCEA

Greta Gilbert with the FCEA gave two scholarships out tonight to the following:

Camron Howard - Floyd Central High School

Lincoln Slone - Floyd Central High School

- **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

Brook Moore addressed the board; stating that the 7th month ended with a 90.7% for the month.

and that the goal for the year is 92%

- 5. Action or Special Reports Student Support
- A. Receive Utility Report for Adams Middle School

Order #20650 - Motion Passed: Receive Utility Report for Adams Middle School passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

B. Receive Report of Superintendent

Order #20651 - Motion Passed: Receive Report of Superintendent passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

C. Accept Notification of Personnel Matters

Order #20652 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

- 1. Actions Taken
- 2. Requests for Leaves of Absences
- **D.** *Consider/Approve construction documents and permission to advertise for bid on Duff Allen Central Renovation Project

Order #20653 - Motion Passed: Approval of construction documents and permission to advertise for bid on Duff Allen Central Renovation Project passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

6. Action by Consent

Order #20654 - Motion Passed: Motion to approve all consent items as presented passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

- A. Consider Approval of Minutes
- B. Consider Payment of Bills and Claims
- C. Consider/Retroactive Approval for the use of the Central Office Cafeteria by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) beginning Tuesday, April 1, 2025 until no longer needed
- **D.** Consider/Retroactive Approval for an Independent Service Contract with Fowler Bell PLLC to be an ARC Facilitator and assist in representing the district in ARC meetings and litigation concerning Special Education
- **E.** Consider/Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Jobs for Kentucky's Graduates, INC (DBA JAG Kentucky) and the Floyd Count Schools: Betsy Layne High School, Floyd Central High School, Prestonsburg High School, and Betsy Layne Elementary (middle school)
- F. Consider/Approve membership with Kentucky Education Development Corporation for 2025-2026
- **G.** Consider/Retroactive Approval for Teach for America to partnership with the Floyd County Board of Education to offer summer school for middle and high school students who are struggling in the areas of reading and math. Summer School will be held at RLC/FCSI beginning June 16th-June 24th (4 days per week, 4 hours per day)
- H. Consider/Retroactive Approval of Positive Pay agreement with Community Trust Bank
- **I.** Consider/Retroactive Approval of sharing the usage of STAR Assessment data with the Kentucky Department of Education, Caryn Davidson from KDE
- J. Consider/Approve Summer Feeding Program
- **K.** Consider/Approve 15 temporary student positions for summer feeding
- **L.** Consider/Approve creating two positions: Early Childhood Associate Teacher and an assistant at May Valley Elementary. The requirements and salary tables are attached
- **M.** Consider/Retroactive Approval of the academic trip, and assist with the cost of transportation by the Board, to and from Louisville, KY for the following schools, teams, and coaches. South Floyd Elementary, Floyd Central High School, Allen Elementary, and May Valley Elementary School. These teams will compete at the Governor's Cup Academics Competition March 14-17, 2025 at the Galt House in Louisville, KY
- **N.** Consider/Approve out of state travel June 7th to Kings Island in Cincinnati, Ohio via Floyd County Schools transportation for students of the 8th grade class at May Valley Elementary
- **O.** Consider/Approve May Valley Elementary Honor's Club Students Out of State Trip to Pigeon Forge, TN. This will be for students in grades 6th-8th, the trip will be an overnight trip that will take place June 11th-13th. Student instructional time will not be impacted
- **P.** Consider/Approve out of state travel for Head Start Bus Monitor field trip to Dollywood in Pigeon Forge, TN on June 10, 2025. No instructional time will be lost
- **Q.** Consider/Approve up to \$2,000 for John M. Stumbo Elementary Archery Team to cover Transportation, Registration Fees, Hotels and Meal expenses for 2025 US Eastern Nationals

- **R.** Consider/Approve up to \$2,000 for Betsy Layne High School Archery Team to cover Transportation, Registration Fees, Hotels, and Meal Expenses for 2025 IBO National Tournament
- **S.** Consider/Approve the maximum amount of \$2,000 to the Floyd County School of Innovation students organizations that have advanced to the state competitions. This is for FCSI FFA to attend state Leadership Convention in June
- **T.** Consider/Approve SEBT School Payment C5661 Memorandum of Agreement for FY 25 and any subsequent requests the district may receive for SEBT going forward for the 24-25 school year
- U. Consider/Retroactive Approval to add an additional 5 instructional minutes to the school day for Duff-Allen Central Elementary and Betsy Layne Elementary School beginning 4-14-25
- **V.** Consider/Approve emergency attendance day wavier for August 26, 2024 for May Valley and Duff-Allen Central Elementary for the 2024-2025 school year
- **W.** Consider/Approve the Memorandum of Understanding and Vendor Agreement between the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation and the Floyd County Board of Education for the provision of providing Community Work Transition Programming to students with disabilities for the 2025-2026 school year as they work on their post-secondary transition goals
- **X.** Consider/Retroactive Approval of the Catering Agreement with Levy/Central Bank for all STLP Teams attending State Competition to have lunch in Lexington, KY at Central Bank during competition
- Y. *Consider/Approve the contract for FY 2025 Financial Audit with Cloyd & Associates, PSC
- **Z.** *Consider/Approve Wildcard Championship Wrestling facility use agreement and as a Honor Club fundraiser at South Floyd Elementary School
- **AA.** Consider/Approve the John M. Stumbo Elementary 8th Grade Class to travel to Kentucky Kingdom on June 10, 2025
- 7. Executive Session to Discuss (Litigation, Property, Personnel, and Expulsions), KRS 61.810

There is no need for an Executive Session

8. Adjournment

Order #20655 - Motion Passed: Motion to adjourn, the time being 6:15 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Ms. Linda Gearheart.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

CHAIR	
SECRETARY	