

**RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS
(MINUTES)**

Russell County Auditorium/Natatorium Complex
(Meeting will be held in the Auditorium)
September 21, 2020

The Russell County Board of Education Meeting was held at Russell County Auditorium/Natatorium Complex (Meeting will be held in the Auditorium) In accordance with current guidelines, guests attending this meeting will be asked to seat 6ft apart and wear a mask and attendance is limited to no more than 50.

With the following members:

Attendance Taken at 5:01 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mr. Gerald Murray
Ms. Joy Wilson
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham
Mr. Richard Kazsuk
Mrs. Sheila Wicker

A sign in sheet was available for the public.

1. Pledge of Allegiance/Prayer

2. Call to Order

Rationale:

The Chair calls the Regular Board Meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

3. Roll Call

Rationale:

This action is taken by calling each board member's name, with the board member answering present.

4. Public Comment

5. Adoption of Agenda

Rationale:

Meeting agenda is provided for your review.

Order #8803 - Motion Passed: If there are no corrections or amendments, I recommend the agenda be approved as presented-passed with a motion by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham and a second by Mr. Richard Kazsuk.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

6. Lake Cumberland Regional College and Workforce Center Construction Update

Rationale:

Representatives from Sherman Carter Barnhart Architects and Branscum Construction will provide the board with a construction update on the Lake Cumberland Regional College and Workforce Center.

7. Russell County Education Association (RCEA) Certified and Classified Employee Recognition for March:

Kelly Aaron, Teacher (RCMS) & Tammy Wolford, Account Clerk (JES)

Recognition for April:

Dustin Gosser, Teacher (RCHS) & Laurie Cooper, Assistant (JES)

Recognition for May:

Nicki Terry, Teacher (SES) & Kathy McGowan, Instructional Assistant

8. Russell County Sheriff Derek Polston will introduce new School Resource Officers: Nathan Ginn (RSES) & Ritchie Francioni (SES)

9. Recognition: SCATS Scholarship Recipients-Luke Popplewell & Halle Burton

10. Recognition: Donation to Gifted & Talented Program-Rachel Webb

11. Consent Agenda

Rationale:

- A. Meeting Minutes
 - September 3, 2020- Tax Hearing Minutes
 - September 3, 2020- Special Called Meeting Minutes
- B. Payment of Bills
- C. Construction Funds
- D. School Activity Fund Reports
- E. Financial Report
- F. Treasure's Monthly Report August 2020

Order #8804 - Motion Passed: If there are no changes or amendments I recommend approval of consent agenda items- passed with a motion by Ms. Joy Wilson and a second by Mr. Gerald Murray.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

12. Construction Management & Architectural firms for Russell County Middle School Addition/Renovation

Rationale:

Per Russell County Board of Education authorization, an advertisement for letters of interest regarding construction management and architectural firms for the Russell County Middle School Addition/Renovation was in the August 27, 2020 edition of the Times Journal (see attachment). Letters of interest was received from Branscum Construction Company, Inc. for Construction Management Services and Murphy Group Architects, PLLC., Sherman Carter Barnhart Architects, Clotfelter/Samokar, PSC., Patrick D. Murphy Architects, Rosstarrant Architects and RBS Design Group Architecture for architectural design services. The fee schedule for construction management services and architectural design services are set per Kentucky Administrative Regulation and both fee schedules are attached.

Order #8805 - Motion Passed: I recommend that the Russell County Board of Education select Sherman Carter Barnhart (Architectural Services) and Branscum Construction (Construction Management) for the Russell County Middle School Addition/Renovation project- passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Kazsuk and a second by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

13. Resume In-Person Instruction on October 12, 2020

Rationale:

On August 6, 2020 the board voted to delay the start of in-person classes until after Fall Break. I am proposing that we return to the option of in-person classes starting on October 12, 2020 under the following schedule while implementing the "COVID-19 Mode of Instruction Metrics for K-12 Education" issued by the Kentucky Department of Public Health and Kentucky Department of Education. The Metric calls for "remote learning only" when our county is RED-- see attached metric:

Elementary: In-person classes available for all students, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. All elementary students will be virtual on Wednesdays and the elementary schools will have extra cleaning/sanitation/disinfection.

Middle & High: In-person classes for students with last name A-L on Monday and Tuesday, In-person classes for students with last name M-Z on Thursday and Friday w/ all middle and high students virtual on Wednesdays and the middle school and high school will have extra cleaning/sanitation/disinfection. (NOTE: The oldest student in the household will determine the day the student attends if there are different children in the household with different last names that would put the students attending different days.)

Additionally, the transition grades of Kindergarten, 6th grade and 9th grade will attend school on Wednesday, September 30 for the day as an introduction to their school-as applicable to the students in the transition grades that will be attending in-person.

Order #8806 - Motion Passed: I recommend that Russell County Schools provide the option of in-person classes under the guidelines of the "COVID-19 Mode of Instruction Metrics for K-12 Education" issued by the Kentucky Department of Public Health and Kentucky Department of Education with the schedules noted above- passed with a motion by Ms. Joy Wilson and a second by Mr. Richard Kazsuk.

Mr. Gerald Murray	No
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

14. Approval of Working Budget for SY 2020-2021 (FY 21)

Rationale:

KRS 160.470 requires local boards of education to adopt a Working Budget. The 2020-2021 Working Budget has been presented and must be adopted and submitted to Kentucky Department of Education by September 30 each year.

Revenue \$ 21,500,000

Expenditures \$ 21,500,000

Order #8807 - Motion Passed: I recommend approval of the school year 2020-2021 (Fiscal Year 21) working budget with the required state contingencies

Revenue \$ 21,500,000

Expenditures \$ 21,500,000

passed with a motion by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham and a second by Mr. Richard Kazsuk.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

15. Revised Section 6 Fund Allocations "KERA Money"

Rationale:

At the February 24, 2020 meeting of the Russell County Board of Education a tentative allocation of \$100 per pupil was allocated to our schools, per average daily attendance (ADA). At that time, it was noted that additional funds might be allocated in the future. Based upon the FY 21 budget, I propose that we increase the per pupil amount to \$120.00.

Order #8808 - Motion Passed: I recommend that the Section 6 "KERA Money" be allocated at \$120.00, based upon each school's average daily attendance- passed with a motion by Ms. Joy Wilson and a second by Mr. Gerald Murray.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

16. Contracts/Memorandum of Agreements Approval

Rationale:

The following contracts/memorandum of agreements are attached for your review.

- Central Kentucky Aquatics
- Lake Cumberland Head Start Grantee Program
- Lake Cumberland Family Caregiver Program
- Lake Cumberland Community Action Agency/Headstart (Meal Service Agreement)
- Campbellsville University Student Teacher Agreement

Order #8809 - Motion Passed: I recommend approval of the contract and/or memorandum of agreements that have been approved by the board attorney- passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Kazsuk and a second by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

17. Nonresident Contracts

Rationale:

Contracts are required by KRS 157.350, which reads in part: "Each district which meets the following requirements shall be eligible to share in the distribution of funds from the fund to Support Education Excellence in Kentucky. (4) Includes no nonresident pupils in its average daily attendance, except by written agreement with the district of the pupils' legal residence.." Districts to enter into nonresident contract include:

Pulaski County---for the school year 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024
Any/All Students attending Pulaski Co. residing in Russell Co. School District

Wayne County---for the school year 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024
Any/All Students attending Wayne Co. residing in Russell Co. School District

Order #8810 - Motion Passed: I recommend approval of the non-resident contract with the Pulaski Co. School District and Wayne County School District for the 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and authorize the state funds to follow students where they are attending school- passed with a motion by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham and a second by Ms. Joy Wilson.

- Mr. Gerald Murray Yes
- Ms. Joy Wilson Yes
- Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham Yes
- Mr. Richard Kazsuk Yes
- Mrs. Sheila Wicker Yes

18. Fundraiser Approvals

Rationale:

The following schools has received approval from the Superintendent for the listed fundraisers:

- Jamestown Elementary:
 - September 28, 2020 Auntie Ann's Pretzel Truck
 - October 12-22, 2020 Little Caesar's Pizza Kits
 - October 1, 2020- until sold out JES Bumper Stickers
 - SY2020-2021 Kona Ice

Order #8811 - Motion Passed: I recommend approval of the school wide fundraisers- passed with a motion by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham and a second by Mr. Gerald Murray.

- Mr. Gerald Murray Yes
- Ms. Joy Wilson Yes
- Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham Yes
- Mr. Richard Kazsuk Yes
- Mrs. Sheila Wicker Yes

19. Accept/Reject Bids for Surplus Property

Rationale:

The sealed bids received were opened and tabulated by Central Office Staff on September 11 @ 9:00 am.

- 1997 White Ford F150 4WD Amanda Antle \$502
- 2002 Blue Ford Taurus Robert Leach \$ 83
- 1996 White Dodge Ram 2500 Robert Leach \$203

1999 White Chevy Tahoe 4WD Richard Kazsuk \$ 402.02
Lot of 60+ VHF Wide Band Bus Radios (mostly Kenwood brand) Robert Leach \$ 25
16' Gooseneck Trailer w/ramps NO BIDS

Order #8812 - Motion Passed: I recommend approval of the bids received on the Surplus items- passed with a motion by Mr. Gerald Murray and a second by Ms. Joy Wilson.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Abstain
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

20. Personnel Reports

Rationale:

Gary Copley	Retiring- RCMS Social Studies Teacher (effective October 1, 2020)
Teresa Gail Robertson	Retiring- Bus Aide (effective August 29, 2020)
Shannon Delania Hogue	Resigned- JES Preschool Teacher (effective August 14, 2020)
Leslie Roy	Resigned- JES Teachers Assistant (effective August 20, 2020) will remain on the substitute sub list
Stephanie Overby	Resigned- RCMS Volleyball Head Coach (effective August 20, 2020)
Deron Polston	Resigned- RCHS Assistant Tennis Coach (effective September 8, 2020)
Lora Walters	Resigned- RCMS Cook (effective September 18, 2020)

21. Adjournment

Order #8813 - Motion Passed: Adjournment of the meeting passed with a motion by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham and a second by Ms. Joy Wilson.

Mr. Gerald Murray	Yes
Ms. Joy Wilson	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham	Yes
Mr. Richard Kazsuk	Yes
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

Sheila Wicker-Chairperson

Michael Ford-Superintendent