

**RUSSELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS
(MINUTES)**

Russell County Auditorium/Natatorium
March 15, 2021
(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

March 15, 2021 with the following members:

Attendance Taken at 5:01 PM:

Present Board Members:

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

Absent Board Members:

Mr. Richard Kazsuk

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. Adoption of Agenda

Rationale:

Meeting agenda is provided for your review.

Order #8867 - Motion Passed: If there are no corrections or amendments, I recommend the agenda be approved as presented- passed with a motion by Ms. Joy Wilson and a second by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham.

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

5. Public Comment

6. Lake Cumberland Regional College and Workforce Center Construction Update

Rationale:

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

**7. Russell County Education Association (RCEA) Certified Employee Recognition:
Tori Aaron**

8. Consent Agenda

Rationale:

- A. Previous Meeting Minutes
- B. Payment of Bills
- C. Construction Funds Report
- D. School Activity Fund Reports
- E. Financial Reports
- F. Treasurer's Monthly Report (February 2021)

Order #8868 - Motion Passed: If there are no changes or amendments I recommend approval of consent agenda items as presented- 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	Absent
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

9. Change Order/Proposal Request Lake Cumberland Regional College & Workforce Center (Add Brick Pavers)

Rationale:

There exists a great fundraising opportunity for the Lake Cumberland Regional College & Workforce Center. The concrete circle area at the front of the entrance could be laid in approximately 1,880 brick pavers, using three different color of brick. The pavers could then be "sold", engraved with someone's name, etc. The three different colors would be the three different levels of prices and the LCRCWC will have the equipment to engrave the brick. EX: If each brick was sold at only \$50=\$94,000
The attached proposal request/change order totals \$15,650.88 and includes all of the material and labor for the initial install. Currently, the area is just graveled. There will be four lights in the middle and a space for a monument, etc. in the circle.

Order #8869 - Motion Passed: I recommend that Proposal Request No. 20 for the Lake Cumberland Regional College & Workforce Center be approved as presented and authorize Superintendent Ford to complete the necessary paperwork- passed with a motion by Ms. Joy Wilson and a second by Mrs. Brenda Higginbotham.

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

10. BG1 (Add Exterior Freezer at Russell Springs Elementary School)

Rationale:

This BG1 is to add a new exterior freezer for Russell Springs Elementary School for a total cost of \$61,443.56 and upon board approval, will be sent to Kentucky Department of Education for review and approval. As noted on the BG1, we propose to pay for this out of the ESSER II stimulus funds.

Order #8870 - Motion Passed: I recommend approval BG1 for new exterior freezer at Russell Springs Elementary School and authorize Superintendent Ford to complete the necessary paperwork- 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	Absent
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

11. Letter of Intent-Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract

Rationale:

In January, the Russell County Board of Education met in special session and representatives from CMTA Energy Solutions outlined the proposal for a Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract (GES) for Russell County Schools. If eventually approved, this would coincide with Russell County Middle School renovations but also provide for improvements across our schools-LED lighting, HVAC controls, etc.

The first step is for a letter of intent to be sent to the Kentucky Department of Education. This does NOT obligate the district to anything at this point.

Order #8871 - Motion Passed: I recommend that the letter of intent for a guaranteed energy savings contract be sent to the Kentucky Department of Education- 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	Absent
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

12. Memorandum of Understanding

Rationale:

Russell County School District and the Casey County School District have students in need of services from the Kentucky School for the Deaf, located in Danville, KY. Russell County School District shall provide the transportation for students in both districts to and from the Kentucky School of the Deaf for all dates scheduled for said students. Casey County School District shall pay one-half of the hourly rate for driver and monitor.

Order #8872 - Motion Passed: I recommend that the Memorandum of Understanding with Casey County Schools be approved as presented- 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	Absent
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

13. Out of State and/or Over Night Trips

Rationale:

The following groups has received approval from the Superintendent for the following over night and/or out of state trips:

Russell County High School:

April 5-9, 2021	RCHS Baseball	Paducah, KY
April 23-24, 2021	RCHS Baseball	Harrison County, KY

Order #8873 - Motion Passed: I recommend approval of the overnight and/or out of state trips- 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	Absent
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

14. Fundraiser

Rationale:

The following group has received approval from the superintendent for the listed fundraiser:

Jamestown Elementary:

March 22-April 2, 2021	Grade Level T-Shirts for Students
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Order #8874 - Motion Passed: I recommend approval of the school wide fundraiser- 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	Absent
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

15. Adjournment

Order #8875 - Motion Passed: Adjournment of the meeting 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	Absent
Mrs. Sheila Wicker	Yes

Chairperson

Superintendent