

RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS (MINUTES)

Jackson, Ky., February 25, 2025

The Breathitt County Board of Education met in the Breathitt High School Library/Via Teleconference at 5:00 PM, with the following members present:

Attendance Taken at 4:59 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Tiffany Combs

Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton

Mr. John Hollan

Mr. Albert Little

Ms. Anna Morris

I. Call to Order.

The regular meeting of the Breathitt County Board of Education was called to order by Chairperson Ruschelle Hamilton at 5:00p.m. at Breathitt High School Library located at 2307 Bobcat Lane, Jackson, KY.

I.A. Roll Call

I.B. Pledge of Allegiance/Mission and Vision

I.C. Adopt Agenda

Order #174 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation to adopt the agenda as presented passed with a motion by Ms. Anna Morris and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

II. Presentations/Reports

II.A. Reports

II.A.1. Superintendent Report

Mr. Watts, Superintendent, stated we are glad to be back at school, we have missed approximately 25 days and 10 were NTI. Tentative date would be June 6, 2025, for the last day for students. Since the last meeting we have entered another historical flood, thoughts go out to the family. Families that have been identified were taken shopping. We had a lot of staff help on campus to save a lot of items and prevent extensive damage to the facilities. We continue to prepare and learn as we go through these events. Mr. Watts stated to please remember and continue prayers for Daniel Howard's family. They have requested prayers for the whole system. is Mr. Watts discussed district tournament times and dates. Board members attended the KSBA conference to work on their required training.

II.A.2. Attendance Report

Felicia Johnson provided a report that we are in month 6. Overall, we are at 88.18. All schools were provided with the number how they are doing for the month of January and February. There have been a lot of sicknesses and weather that has factored into the attendance.

II.A.3. Health Report

Hannah Watts, Director of Special Education stated "We appreciate school nurses in the school. Mrs. Watts presented the data and showed the percentage over the last 3 years of visits to healthcare. This includes students that get medications.

II.A.4. Staff Recognitions**II.B. Student Recognitions****II.B.1. SES-District Governor's Cup Overall Winners**

II.B.1.a. Jesselin Eversole-Parks-4th Place-Arts and Humanities;2nd Place-Language Arts

II.B.1.b. Charity Gross-1st Place-Written Composition

II.B.1.c. Paislee Hollon-2nd Place-Arts and Humanities

II.B.1.d. Katelyn Manning-5th Place- Arts and Humanities,

II.B.1.e. Marlee Miller-2nd Place- Math

II.B.1.f. Tanner Smith-5th Place-Social Studies

II.B.2. KY River Elder Abuse Poster Contest

II.B.2.a. Raylen Turner

II.B.3. 2025 HOBY Ambassador

II.B.3.a. Hunter Barrett

III. Student Learning and Support Items Recommended for Approval**III.A. CONSENT ITEMS**

Order #175 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the consent items listed below passed with a motion by Mr. Albert Little and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

III.A.1. Consider approval of the facility usage agreement from Jackson City School for the purpose of utilizing the track at SES for track practice from February 26, 2025, to June 1, 2025.

III.A.2. Consider approval of the JAG MOU for 2025-2026.

III.A.3. Consider approval of JROTC out-of-state field trip to Camp Davy Crockett Summer Camp in Whitesburg, TN from May 30,2025 until June 3,2025.

III.A.4. Consider approval of staff attending out-of-state training through Partners' Rural Impact grant.

III.A.5. Consider approval of renewing student insurance to include all students with Roberts Insurance Company for the 2025-2026 school year.

III.B. DISCUSSION ITEMS

III.B.1. Consider approval of the January 28,2025, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Order #176 - Motion Passed: Based on the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the minutes of January 28, 2025, Regular Board

Meeting passed with a motion by Mrs. Tiffany Combs and a second by Ms. Anna Morris.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

III.B.2. Consider approval of the January 2025 Treasurer's Report.

Christa Smith, Finance Officer, discussed the bond payments and that we paid several Universities for our teachers' scholarships and MAT program. We hope to see the property tax at the end of the month. Mrs. Smith provided an overall of the current bills for the month.

Order #177 - Motion Passed: Based on the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the Treasurer's Report for January 2025 passed with a motion by Ms. Anna Morris and a second by Mr. Albert Little.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

III.B.3. Consider approval of the February 2025 bills for payment.

Order #178 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the February 2025 bills for payment passed with a motion by Mr. Albert Little and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

III.B.4. Consider approval of the FY2026 Tentative Staffing/SBDM Allocations.

Order #179 - Motion Passed: Based on the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the FY2026 Tentative Staffing/SBDM Allocations passed with a motion by Mr. Albert Little and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

III.B.5. Consider approval of the 2025-2026 school calendar option B (second and final reading) with the following changes, to move November 3 and 4, (teacher workdays) to May 19, and May 20, 2026 (end of calendar) or to be used on bad weather days.

Order #180 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts approval of the 2025-2026 school calendar option B (second and final reading) with the following changes, to move November 3 and 4, (teacher workdays) to May 19, and May 20, 2026 (end of calendar) or to be used on bad weather days. This is not an election year so students will attend on the 3rd and 4th of November with a motion passed by Ms. Anna Morris and a second by Mr. Albert Little.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes

Ms. Anna Morris Yes

III.B.6. Consider approval of the second and final reading for policy 05.31 Rental Application and Contract.

Order #181 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the second and final reading for policy 05.31 Rental Application and Contract passed with a motion by Ms. Anna Morris and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton Yes
Mr. John Hollan Yes
Mr. Albert Little Yes
Ms. Anna Morris Yes

III.B.7. Consider approval of the revision to procedure 09.2241 AP.1.

Order #182 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, procedure 09.2241 AP.1 passed with a motion by Ms. Anna Morris and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton Yes
Mr. John Hollan Yes
Mr. Albert Little Yes
Ms. Anna Morris Yes

III.B.8. Consider approval of accepting the bid for the purpose of Internal Connections (E-rate fund)

Order #183 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of accepting the bid for the purpose of Internal Connections (E-rate fund) passed with a motion by Ms. Anna Morris and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton Yes
Mr. John Hollan Yes
Mr. Albert Little Yes
Ms. Anna Morris Yes

III.B.9. Consider approval of purchasing a freezer for HTS food service in the amount of \$11,200.00 from Breathitt Mechanical Co. This price will include the disposal of existing freezer equipment.

Order #184 - Motion Passed: Based upon recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of purchasing a refrigerator for BHS food service in the amount of \$11,200.00 from Breathitt Mechanical Co. This price will include the disposal of existing freezer equipment passed with a motion by Mr. Albert Little and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton Yes
Mr. John Hollan Yes
Mr. Albert Little Yes
Ms. Anna Morris Yes

III.B.10. Consider approval of accepting the surplus bid for bus #47, 2010 International with VIN number 4DRBUAAN9BB288598 from Sammy Knell in the amount of \$686.00.

Order #185 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of accepting the surplus bid for bus #47, a 2010 International with VIN number 4DRBUAAN9BB288598 from Sammy Knell in the

amount of \$686.00 passed with a motion by Mrs. Tiffany Combs and a second by Mr. Albert Little.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

III.B.11. Consider approval of the Comprehensive School Bus Fleet Plan.

Order #186 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendations of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the Comprehensive School Bus Fleet Plan passed with a motion by Ms. Anna Morris and a second by Mr. Albert Little.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

III.B.12. Consider approving the purchase of the Paxton/Patterson Learning Systems, including College & Career Ready Labs, Career Discovery Labs, Health Science Careers, and Construction Career Labs, for the 7th grade middle school students.

Order #187 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approving the purchase of the Paxton/Patterson Learning Systems, including College & Career Ready Labs, Career Discovery Labs, Health Science Careers, and Construction Career Labs, for the 7th grade middle school students passed with a motion by Mr. Albert Little and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

III.B.13. Consider approving the name - Breathitt County Schools Lakeside Campus to include Area Technology Center, Bus Garage, and Maintenance Department and Technology Department.

Order #188 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approving the name - Breathitt County Schools "Lakeside Campus to include, Area Technology Center, Bus Garage, and Maintenance Department and Technology Department passed with a motion by Ms. Anna Morris and a second by Mr. Albert Little.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

IV. BUILDING GROUNDS/FACILITY

Order #189 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, items listed Iv. Buildings and Grounds A. B. C. D. E 1-3 passed with a motion by Mr. Albert Little and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes

Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

IV.A. Consider approval of BG5 Project Closeout for the BCS Security Vestibules at multiple facilities, BG#18-363.

IV.B. Consider approval of BG5 for the Breathitt Coliseum Window Replacement and ADA Access, BG# 21-094.

IV.C. Consider approval of BG5 for the Elm and Court Street Property Acquisitions, BG# 23-159.

IV.D. Consider approval of BG5 Closeout for the ATC Demolition BG #24-079.

IV.E. Breathitt ATC (BG#24-189)

IV.E.1. Consider approval of the Contractor Pay Application #10 in the amount of \$489,954.71 to Standafer Builders for the Breathitt ATC + Bus Garage (BG#24-189).

IV.E.2. Consider approval of the Owner DPOs in the amount of \$66,103.29 for the Breathitt ATC + Bus Garage (BG#24-189).

IV.E.3. Consider approval of Change Order #006 to Standafer Builders in the amount of \$25,600.44 for the Breathitt ATC + Bus Garage (BG#24-189).

IV.F. Highland Turner HVAC Replacement (BG#23-500)

Order #190 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, Highland Turner HVAC Replacement (BG#23-500) items F1. and F2. passed with a motion by Mrs. Tiffany Combs and a second by Mr. Albert Little.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

IV.F.1. Consider approval of the Change Order #003 (Add) to Allen Construction for the Highland Turner HVAC Replacement (BG#23-500). Change order #003 was inadvertently left off the board agenda and would cover code required pipe and valve upgrades. This discrepancy was discovered when trying to close out the project.

IV.F.2. Consider approval of the project invoice for \$244,354.00 to Tate Hill Architects for all architecture and engineering work on the Highland Turner HVAC Replacement (BG#23-500).

V. Closed Session

V.A. Consider approval of going into closed session in compliance with KRS 61.810(k) and KRS 156.557(c), for a preliminary (mid-year) discussion regarding the Superintendent's evaluation.

Order #191 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of entering into executive session at 5:29PM to conduct a preliminary discussion of the superintendent's evaluation passed with a motion by Ms. Anna Morris and a second by Mrs. Tiffany Combs.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

V.B. Consider approval of returning to open session.

Order #192 - Motion Passed: Approval of returning to open session at 6:49p.m. passed with a motion by Ms. Anna Morris and a second by Mr. Albert Little.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes

VI. Personnel Notifications

Resignations/Retirements/Terminations/Non-renewals/Suspension/Reductions

Tracy Bird, Resignation as School Nurse at BHS, Effective February 28, 2025,
 Mariah Clemons, Resignation as Bus Monitor, Effective January 21, 2025
 Darryl Deaton, Resignation as Middle School Football Coach, Effective January 24, 2025
 Denese Deaton, Retirement/Resignation as Lead Food Service Assistant at BHS, Effective June 30, 2025
 Michael Gross, Resignation from Full-time Food Service Custodian at BES to Sub, Effective February 14, 2025

Employment/Transfers

David Baker, Academic Tutor - District, Effective February 3, 2025
 Justin Combs, Transfer from BHS to Breathitt Regional School as Instructor, Effective February 28, 2025
 Mary Eldridge, Classified Tutor - District, Effective February 5, 2025
 Martha Fugate, Sub Cook - District, Effective February 10, 2025
 Justin Howard, Sub Custodian - District, Effective February 4, 2025; Bus Driver - District, Effective January 27, 2025
 Cheyenne Keown, Instructional Assistant at BES, Effective February 10, 2025,
 Caden Turner, Sub Custodian - District, Effective February 1, 2025
 Siera Mitchell Whitaker, Bus Aide/Monitor, Effective February 4, 2025

VII. Informational Items

VII.A. Communication/Sharing (All Present)

VII.B. 2024-2025 Calendar Update

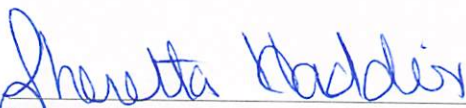
VII.C. School Financial Reports

VII.D. School SBDM Reports

VIII. Adjournment

Order #193 - Motion Passed: There being no further business of the Board, adjournment at 6:49 passed with a motion by Mr. John Hollan and a second by Ms. Anna Morris.

Mrs. Tiffany Combs	Yes
Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton	Yes
Mr. John Hollan	Yes
Mr. Albert Little	Yes
Ms. Anna Morris	Yes


 Secretary


 Board Chairperson