

RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS

(MINUTES)

Jackson, Ky., June 16, 2026

The Breathitt County Board of Education met in the Breathitt ATC(1140 Lakeside Drive, Jackson, KY or via teleconference at 5:00 PM ET (4:00 CT), with the following members present:

Attendance Taken at 5:00 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. located at 1140 Lakeside Drive, Jackson, KY 41339.

I.A. Roll Call

I.B. Pledge of Allegiance/Mission and Vision

I.C. Adopt Agenda: ADDENDUM: III.B.4 Consider approval of the revision replacing the phrase "up to 10 days" with "extra days." III.B. 8. Consider approval of the revised 2026-202727 Salary Schedule. III.B.4.

Order #249 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Philip Watts, approval Adopting the Agenda and including the addendums; III.B.4 Consider approval of the revision replacing the phrase up to 10 days with extra days. III.B. 8. Consider approval of the revised 2026-2027 Salary Schedule, 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

II. Presentations/Reports

II.A. Student/Staff Recognitions

II.A.1. John Hollan-KSBA Advanced Studies

II.A.1.a. Level III

II.A.1.b. Level IV

II.A.1.c. Level V

II.A.2. Breathitt High School Perfect Attendance

II.A.2.a. Sadie Barnett

II.A.2.b. Alyson Halsey

II.A.2.c. Audyrnn Hamilton

II.A.2.d. Jaydon Keith

II.A.2.e. Jailynn Mauck

II.A.2.f. Kaydence Neace

II.A.2.g. Aaliyah Stamper

II.A.3. Breathitt Elementary-Perfect Attendance

II.A.3.a. Russell Robinson

II.A.3.b. Lily Smith

II.A.3.c. Kynnedi Turner

II.A.3.d. Greyson White

II.A.4. Highland-Turner Elementary-Perfect Attendance

II.A.4.a. Andrew Blanton

II.A.4.b. Serenity Blanton

II.A.4.c. Hailey Frederick

II.A.4.d. Hunter Fugate

II.A.4.e. Jaxin Rice

II.A.4.f. Lewis Turner

II.A.5. SES-Perfect Attendance

II.A.5.a. Lilly Collins

II.A.5.b. Kayla Davidson

II.A.5.c. Tristan Davis

II.A.5.d. Gemma Evans

II.A.5.e. Isaiah Fisher

II.A.5.f. Reuben Fisher

II.A.5.g. Dakota Gingerich

II.A.5.h. Jaxon Gwin

II.A.5.i. Carter Neace

II.A.5.j. Aubree Pelfrey

II.A.5.k. Karson Turner

II.B. Reports

II.B.1. Superintendent Report

Mr. Watts, superintendent, provided an update on facilities and school updates. Mr. Watts encouraged everyone to take time to be with their family. Mr. Watts discussed the students' attendance and encouraged staff attendance.

III. Student Learning and Support Items Recommended for Approval

III.A. CONSENT ITEMS

Order #250 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, all consent items listed below A.1-15 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.A.1. Consider approval of using up to thirty (30) emergency certified substitute teachers for the 2026-27 school year.

III.A.2. Consider approval of the first reading of the 2026-27 Employee Handbook and Substitute Teacher Handbook.

III.A.3. Consider approval of the first reading of the 2026-27 Coaches Handbook.

III.A.4. Consider approval of the first reading of the 2026-27 Discipline Code Book.

III.A.5. Consider approval of the Orientation and Mobility Services Contract with Margie Lowe for the 2026-27 school year.

III.A.6. Consider approval of the agreement and fee schedule with Central Kentucky Psychological services for the 2026-27 school year.

III.A.7. Consider approval of contracting Occupational Therapy services with Jennifer Witt-Fraley and Brandi Ellison for the 2026-2027 school year.

III.A.8. Consider approval of the School Nutrition Procurement Plan for the 2026-27 school year.

III.A.9. Consider approval of the following food service bids for the 2026-27 school year through KVEC School Nutrition Bids approved during the Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative board meeting as follows:

III.A.9.a. Milk Borden Dairy

III.A.9.b. Fresh Bread & Bakery Items Bimbo Bakeries

III.A.10. Consider approval of the following Breathitt Elementary PTO fundraiser request for 2026-27.

III.A.10.a. Kettle Corn- September-October

III.A.10.b. Boo Grams- October

III.A.10.c. T-shirts/Sweatshirts-August-September-November

III.A.11. Consider approval of the first reading of KSBA Policy update #49 and procedure update #30.

III.A.12. Consider approval of the contract with Mountain Therapy to provide physical therapy for the 26-27 school year.

III.A.13. Consider approval of the Camp Unite request for school buses to transport students to camp on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, and for their return on Friday, July 24, 2026.

III.A.14. Consider approval of the Fidelity Bonds for FY 2027.

III.A.15. Consider approval of the Lumberjack Football Facility Usage request during the 2026-2027 season, contingent on receiving all necessary paperwork, including insurance.

III.B. DISCUSSION ITEMS

III.B.1. Consider approval of May 19, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes.

Order #251 - Motion Passed: Based on the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the minutes of the May 19, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes 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.2. Consider approval of the May 2026 Treasurer's Report.

Stacy McKnight provided an update on the bills, bonds and current cash flow.

Order #252 - Motion Passed: Based on the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the Treasurer's Report for May 2026 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.3. Consider approval of the June 2026 bills for payment.

Order #253 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the June 2026 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 to allocate extra workdays for cafeteria staff to ensure adequate staffing for the 2026 Summer Feeding Program operating in June and July.

Order #254 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of allocating extra workdays for cafeteria staff to ensure adequate staffing for the 2026 Summer Feeding Program operating in June and July 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.5. Consider approval of the 2026 Kindergarten Camp program and authorize designated staff to work during the week of July 20-24, 2026.

Order #255 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the 2026 Kinder Camp program and authorizing designated staff to work during the week of July 20-24, 2026, 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.6. Consider approval creating a Special Education position at BHS, utilizing the current job description, as requested through the BHS SBDM allocation process.

Order #256 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval creation of a Special Education position at BHS, utilizing the current job description, as requested through the BHS SBDM allocation process 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 authorizing superintendent or designee to identify and inventory miscellaneous surplus furniture, equipment, and technology items in the district, to advertise items for 7 days, to accept high bid, and to dispose of items that do not sell. The purpose is to help promptly remove surplus items from the building(s) and to remove surplus items directly from schools to avoid transporting them to other storage for inventory and disposal.

Order #257 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, authorizing superintendent or designee to identify and inventory miscellaneous surplus furniture, equipment, and technology items in the district, to advertise items for 7 days, to accept high bid, and to dispose of items that do not sell. The purpose is to help promptly remove surplus items from the building(s) and to remove surplus items directly from schools to avoid transporting them to other storage for inventory and disposal 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.8. Consider approval of the revised 2026-2027 Salary Schedule.

Order #258 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of the revised 2026-2027 Salary Schedule 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

IV. BUILDING/GROUNDS/FACILITIES

Order #259 - Motion Passed: Based upon the recommendation of Superintendent Phillip Watts, approval of Breathitt High School Roof Replacement BG#26-201 items 1-2 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

IV.A. Breathitt High Roof Replacement BG# 26-201.

IV.A.1. Consider approval of Owner DPO Payments totaling \$327,101.49 for materials purchased for the Breathitt High Roof Replacement BG# 26-201.

IV.A.2. Consider approval of change order #1 in the amount of \$16,900.00 to provided welded seams to the Breathitt High Roof Replacement Project BG# 26-201.

V. Personnel Notifications

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

Josh Barnett, Resignation as BHS Assistant Football Coach, Effective May 15, 2026

Noah Campbell, Non-renewal as Teacher at BHS, Effective June 30, 2026

Christina Henson, non-renewal as Instructional Assistant, Effective June 30, 2026

Kayli Malone, Non-renewal as Teacher at BHS, Effective June 30, 2026

Sabrina McElroy, Resignation due to Retirement, Effective May 31, 2026,

Bobbi Moore, non-renewal as Instructional Assistant at BES, Effective June 30, 2026

Sonya Thorpe, non-renewal as Instructional Assistant at BES, Effective June 30, 2026

Employment/Transfers

David K. Abner, Principal at BHS, Effective July 1, 2026,

Tonya Stacy, Substitute Bus Driver, Effective May 4, 2026

Robert Stamper, Substitute Custodian, Effective June 8, 2026

VI. Informational Items

VI.A. Communication/Sharing (All Present)

VI.B. School Financial Reports

VI.C. School SBDM Reports

VII. Adjournment

Order #260 - Motion Passed: There being no further business of the Board, adjournment at 5:28p.m., passed with a motion by Mr. John Hollan and a second by Ms. Anna Morris.

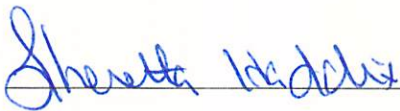
Mrs. Tiffany Combs Yes

Ms. Ruschelle Hamilton Yes

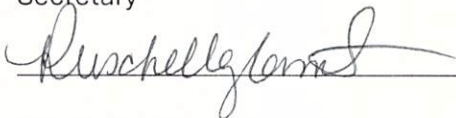
Mr. John Hollan Yes

Mr. Albert Little Yes

Ms. Anna Morris Yes



Secretary



Board Chairperson