

**BULLITT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
1040 HIGHWAY 44 EAST
SHEPHERDSVILLE, KY 40165**

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BULLITT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

**January 04, 2021
5:00 PM**

MINUTES OF RECORD

The Bullitt County Board of Education met virtually via telecommunication at 5:00 PM on January 4, 2021, with the following members present:

Attendance Taken at 4:56 PM

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| (1) Ms. Linda Belcher | (2) Mrs. Nita Neal | (3) Mrs. Debby Atherton |
| (4) Mrs. Lisa Hodges | (5) Mr. Darrell Coleman | |

CALL TO ORDER

The January 4, 2021 special meeting of the Bullitt County Board of Education was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board Chairperson Debby Atherton.

On March 6, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 2020-215, declaring a state of emergency throughout Kentucky pursuant to his power under the Kentucky Constitution and KRS Chapter 39A regarding the threats to public health presented by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

In an Opinion issued on March 18, 2020, issued as OAG 20-05, the Kentucky Attorney General opined that at this time during the present state of emergency it is not "feasible" under KRS 61.840 to precisely identify and provide a primary physical location for a video teleconference under the Open Meetings Act at which the public may attend and view a meeting held via video teleconference, and that various other technological means by which the public may view a meeting should be provided instead until the conclusion of the state of emergency.

As a result, the Board adopted a Resolution on March 23, 2020, (see Board Order Number 2020-060) providing for all future Board meetings to proceed by video teleconference until such time as social distancing restrictions for public meetings are lifted.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS

Bullitt County Judge Executive Jerry Summers administered the Kentucky Constitutional Oath and the School Board Member Oath to four newly elected/selected board members: Darrell Coleman, Linda Belcher, Juanita "Nita" Neal, and Lisa Hodges.

- Linda Belcher represents District 1 and will be starting a new term of 2021-2024.
- Nita Neal replaces Diane Thompson for District 2 with a new, full term of 2021-2024.
- Lisa Hodges was selected at the special Board meeting on December 17, 2020, to replace Steve Hornback representing District 4, filling the unexpired term (2019-2022) until the November 2022 regular election.
- Darrell Coleman represents District 5 and was re-elected with a term of 2021-2024.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

2021-001- Motion made by Darrell Coleman, seconded by Linda Belcher, to adopt the agenda as presented. All Board members voted YES.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

Election of Officers for the Board

- 2021-002- Motion made by Darrell Coleman, seconded by Nita Neal, to elect Debby Atherton as Chairperson. All members voted YES.
- 2021-003- Motion made by Linda Belcher, seconded by Nita Neal, to elect Darrell Coleman as Vice-Chairperson. All members voted YES.
- 2021-004- Motion made by Debby Atherton, seconded by Lisa Hodges, to elect Dr. Jesse Bacon as Secretary. All members voted YES.

Establishment of Board Meeting Time and Place

- 2021-005- Motion made by Linda Belcher, seconded by Lisa Hodges, to approve the list of 2021 Board meetings as presented. All members voted YES.

(Board meetings to be held at the Central Office or virtually if social distancing guidelines are still recommended.)

2021 Board Meetings

January 25, 2021 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items are due on the 13th.)
 February 8 – Work Session, 5:00 p.m.
 February 22 - Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items due on the 10th.)
 March 8 – Work Session, 5:00 p.m.
 March 22 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items due on the 10th.)
 April 19 – Work Session, 5:00 p.m. (Moved from the 12th that would immediately follow spring break.)
 April 26 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items due on the 14th.)
 May 10 – Work Session, 5:00 p.m.
 May 24 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items due on the 12th.)
 June 14 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Moved from EOM due to end of FY and vacations.) (Agenda items due on the 2nd.)
 July 26 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items due on the 14th.)
 August 9 – Work Session, 5:00 p.m.
 August 23 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items due on the 11th.)
 September 13 – Work Session, 5:00 p.m.
 September 27 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items due on the 15th.)
 October 18 – Academic Progress Review & Work Session, 5:00 p.m. (Moved from the 11th due to week after fall break)
 October 25 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items due on the 13th.)
 November 8 - Work Session / SBDM Reports, 5:00 p.m.
 November 22 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items due on the 10th.)
 *December 6 – Work Session, 5:00 p.m. (Moved up due to Christmas Break)
 December 13- Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Moved up due to Christmas Break) (Agenda items due on the 1st.)
 January 10, 2022 - Work Session, 5 p.m.
 January 24 – Monthly Business Meeting, 5:00 p.m. (Agenda items due on the 12th.)
PLEASE NOTE: Work Sessions may be cancelled if there is no business to discuss. *December 6th Work Session may be cancelled due to a KASS conference.

Board Member to Serve as Legislative Network Member

- 2021-006- Motion made by Debby Atherton, seconded by Darrell Coleman, for Linda Belcher to serve as Legislative Network Member. All members voted YES.

RECESS

- 2021-007- Motion made by Darrell Coleman, seconded by Lisa Hodges, to recess the regular meeting of the Bullitt County Board of Education. All members voted YES.

BULLITT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION

CALL TO ORDER

President Debby Atherton called to order the special meeting of the Bullitt County School District Finance Corporation.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

Motion made by Darrell Coleman, seconded by Linda Belcher, to adopt the agenda as presented. All members voted YES.

Election of Officers for the Bullitt County School District Finance Corporation

Motion made by Darrell Coleman, seconded by Nita Neal, to elect **Debby Atherton** as **President**. All members voted YES.

Motion made by Debby Atherton, seconded by Nita Neal to elect **Darrell Coleman** as **Vice-President**. All members voted YES.

Motion made by Debby Atherton, seconded by Nita Neal, to elect **Superintendent Jesse Bacon** as **Secretary**. All members voted YES.

Motion made by Debby Atherton, seconded by Lisa Hodges, to elect **Lisa Lewis** as **Treasurer**. All members voted YES.

Motion made by Debby Atherton, seconded by Lisa Hodges, for the remaining board members (**Linda Belcher, Nita Neal, and Lisa Hodges**) as **Board of Directors**. All members voted YES.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Darrell Coleman, seconded by Nita Neal, to adjourn the special meeting of the Bullitt County School District Finance Corporation. All members voted YES.

RECONVENE MEETING OF THE BULLITT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

2021-008- Motion made by Lisa Hodges, seconded by Nita Neal, to resume special meeting of the Bullitt County Board of Education. All members voted YES.

NEW BUSINESS

2020-2021 Amended School Calendar

Requested was an amendment to the 2020-2021 school calendar. As a result of the third quarter hybrid learning model implementation due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the February 15, 2021 Bullitt Day will be moved to February 17, 2021. In addition, the March 8, 2021 Bullitt Day will be moved to March 10, 2021. These changes will allow for more in person instructional time for students. The required 1,062 hours of instructional time for students will be met as required by KRS 158.070(1)(f). The amended calendar will be submitted to the Kentucky Department of Education as required by 702 KAR 7:140(2)(3).

2021-009- Motion made by Nita Neal, seconded by Linda Belcher, to approve the 2020-2021 Amended School Calendar as presented. All members voted YES.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

2021-010- Motion made by Darrell Coleman, seconded by Lisa Hodges, to recess regular session and enter Executive Session as authorized by KRS 61.810(1)(b) to discuss the sale of real property by a public agency. All members voted YES.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

2021-011- Motion made by Nita Neal, seconded by Linda Belcher, to exit executive session and resume regular session. All members voted YES. No action was taken in executive session.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Superintendent Jesse Bacon spoke briefly about developing Advisory Councils with various groups, beginning with Faculty and Staff, to pick up the focus of the Strategic Plan. Once NTI has ended, groups with students, parents, and community members/leaders can be developed for necessary feedback to consider in the future direction of the district.

Debby Atherton asked about the status of childcare for district employees' children once school can resume in the hybrid model. Dr. Bacon gave an update on recent talks with the YMCA leadership. There are approximately 350 students that could participate in the childcare program.

Nita Neal asked about COVID-19 vaccinations for district employees. Dr. Bacon shared that Kroger and Walmart will administer of the vaccine for BCPS employees. More information is expected in the near future.

Linda Belcher requested clarification on work sessions versus regular meeting agendas. Dr. Bacon responded.

Ms. Belcher asked with whom she could speak with about the preschool schedule. Dr. Bacon referred her to Patrick Durham, Director of Elementary Education.

Ms. Belcher mentioned the concern of students that may be falling behind in the age of NTI and if any forms of remediation have been discussed to help those students catch up. Dr. Bacon said the Student Learning Department and the Kentucky Department of Education are both aware of the issue and possible options are being discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

2021-012- Motion made by Darrell Coleman, seconded by Lisa Hodges, to adjourn at 6:41 PM. All members voted YES.

CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY