

**Covington Board of Education
Regular Business Meeting**

MINUTES

March 21, 2024

5:30 PM

Covington Board of Education

25 E. 7th Street Covington, Kentucky 41011

The meeting will be streamed via video teleconferencing at:

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I. Call to Order

Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair called the meeting to order.

II. Roll Call

Attendance Taken at 5:30 PM:

Present Board Members:

Ms. Hannah Edelen

Mr. Stephen Gastright

Ms. Glenda Huff

Mr. Kareem Simpson

Mr. Tom Haggard

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Welcome and Board Chair Comments

Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

V. Public Input

No one opted to address the Board.

VI. Informational Items (Action Possible)

1. Sixth Month Attendance Report

Ms. Jessica Duty, Director of Pupil Personnel presented the Sixth Month Attendance Report.

VII. Report of the Treasurer

2. Monthly Financials ~ February

3. Warrant Expenditure Report

Motion Passed 032124_01: The Covington Board of Education approves the Monthly Financials for February and Warrant Expenditure Report passed with a motion by Ms. Hannah Edelen and a second by Mr. Kareem Simpson.

Ms. Hannah Edelen Yes

Mr. Stephen Gastright Yes

Ms. Glenda Huff Yes

Mr. Kareem Simpson Yes

Mr. Tom Haggard Yes



VIII. Consent Agenda

Motion Passed 032124_02: The Covington Board of Education approves the Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Stephen Gastright and a second by Mr. Kareem Simpson.

- Ms. Hannah Edelen Yes
- Mr. Stephen Gastright Yes
- Ms. Glenda Huff Yes
- Mr. Kareem Simpson Yes
- Mr. Tom Haggard Yes

- 4. Approval of Minutes ~ February 21, 2024 Regular Business Meeting**
- 5. Approval of Minutes ~ March 7, 2024 Regular Working Meeting**
- 6. Approval of Minutes ~ March 9, 2024 Special Meeting/Board Retreat**
- 7. Lease Renewal with Children’s Home of Northern Kentucky**
- 8. 2023-2024 Spring Surplus**
- 9. Holmes High School Surplus Bid Results**
- 10. Preschool Partnership Grant**
- 11. NKCES Intent to Participate for the 2024-2025 School Year**
- 12. McKinney-Vento Homeless Children Education Program Grant**
- 13. School Related Student Trip ~ Holmes High School State SkillsUSA Competition**
- 14. Leave of Absence Request- Employee #1102**
- 15. Leave of Absence Request- Employee #6703**
- 16. Leave of Absence Request- Employee #6315**
- 17. Leave of Absence Request- Employee #6172**
- 18. Leave of Absence Request- Employee #5677**

IX. Individual Approval Agenda Items

19. BG 23-062 Revised Holmes Campus Project

Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair announced that they will hold off on BG 23-062 Revised Holmes Campus Project until the next regular meeting that will be held on April 4, 2024. The Board was in consensus with tabling the item.

X. Addendum Agenda (Action Possible)

20. School Related Student Trips ~ Elevate Academy Competition for Two Holmes High School DECA Students

Motion Passed 032124_03: The Covington Board of Education approves the School Related Student Trips ~ Elevate Academy Competition for Two Holmes High School DECA Students passed with a motion by Ms. Hannah Edelen and a second by Mr. Stephen Gastright.

- Ms. Hannah Edelen Yes
- Mr. Stephen Gastright Yes
- Ms. Glenda Huff Yes
- Mr. Kareem Simpson Yes
- Mr. Tom Haggard Yes



XI. Report of the Attorney

Ms. Stewart, Board attorney gave an update on the national opioid litigation that is pending in the US Bankruptcy Court in New York and are being handled by the various states attorney generals. The district received notification that the US DOJ has reached some settlement with one of the pharmaceutical companies, Endo, International, PLC. It is unclear if there will be any distribution of settlement monies to the school district; but if that is the case all distributions to the local governments, including school boards, will be determined by the Kentucky Attorney General and the administrative structure which it has set up. There's no action to be taken by the board..

XII. Board Member Discussion

Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair opened the floor for Board member discussion.

XIII. Board Member Comments

Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair opened the floor for Board member comments.

XIV. Upcoming Events

Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair announced the upcoming events.

XV. Executive Session

Pursuant to KRS 61.810 1(c); Discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency; Ms. Mary Ann Stewart, Board attorney requested to enter into Executive Session at 5:44 p.m. Mr. Stephen Gastright, Board vice-chair made the first motion to enter in executive session and Mr. Kareem Simpson, Board member made the second motion. Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair asked if all were in favor, all said aye, no one opposed. Mr. Haggard announced that no action will be taken during executive session.

The Board ended Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. Ms. Hannah Edelen, Board member made the first motion to end executive session. Mr. Stephen Gastright, Board member made the second motion. Mr. Tom Haggard, Board chair asked if all were in favor, all said aye, no one opposed. No action was taken during executive session.

XVI. Adjournment

The Board made a consensus to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

 _____ Tom Haggard, Board Chair

 _____ Alvin Garrison, Superintendent

