

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

**Regular Board Meeting
August 15, 2024, 6:00 PM
Estill County Board of Education
Boardroom
253 Main Street
Irvine, KY 40336**

Present Board Members:

Ms. Donna Isfort
Ms. Carrie Smallwood
Ms. Shiela Samples
Ms. Tammy Hardy
Mr. Joseph Crawford

Visitors: Grant Chenoweth, Charlotte O'Bryan, Tonya Miller, Donald Norton, Josh Yost, Andrea Williams, Jeremy Simpson, Ethan Gibson, David Friedly, Donnie Watson, Angie Howell, Cassidy Moore, Jessica Mullins, Bobby Short, Todd Reece, Tasha Halcomb, Amanda Bryant, Toni Garrett Hall and Bill Wesley

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Ms. Donna Isfort called the board meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

A. Welcome/Pledge

Mr. Bill Wesley, State Representative - District 91, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Reminder to Sign In

C. Revisions

II. Swearing in of New Board Member

Estill County Judge Executive Mr. Donnie Watson swore in Mr. Joseph Crawford as the new board member for District 5.

III. Swearing of New SRO Officer

Estill County Judge Executive Mr. Donnie Watson swore in Chief Officer Mr. David Friedly.

District Attorney Grant Chenoweth swore in Mr. Ethan Gibson as the new SRO Officer.

IV. Recognitions

A. School/Student Presentation

The school presentation will start back up in September.

V. Action Items:

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A. Consideration/Approval KEDC Membership

Order #15165—Motion Passed: KEDC membership was approved and passed on a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Mr. Joseph Crawford.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Mr. Joseph Crawford	Yes

B. Consideration/Approval FY 24-25 Auxiliary Salary Schedule

Order #15166 - Motion Passed: The board approved the FY 24-25 Auxiliary salary schedule to retro it July 1, 2024. passed with a motion by Ms. Tammy Hardy and a second by Ms. Shiela Samples.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Mr. Joseph Crawford	Yes

C. Consideration/Approval of the FY24-25 Apprentices Pay

Order #15167 - Motion Passed: Approval of the FY24-25 Apprentices' pay passed with a motion by Ms. Carrie Smallwood and a second by Ms. Shiela Samples.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Mr. Joseph Crawford	Yes

D. Consideration/Approval Of The Following MOA

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Order #15168 - Motion Passed: The Board approved the following MOA with Key Assets: Kentucky, GEAR UP, NHA, and local Headstart passed with a motion by Ms. Tammy Hardy and a second by Ms. Shiela Samples.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Mr. Joseph Crawford	Yes

1. Key Assets Kentucky MOA
2. Appalachian Educational Service Agency GEAR UP Year 6 MOA
3. NHA MOU
4. Local Head Start Memorandum Agreement

E. Set 2024 Tax Rates

1. Real and Personal

The real tax is reduced from 49.8 to 49.1, and the personal tax is reduced from 49.8 to 49.6.

2. Vehicle and WaterCraft

The Vehicle and WaterCraft will stay at 54.8

Order #15169 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Mr. Joseph Crawford.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Mr. Joseph Crawford	Yes

F. Consideration/Approval of the following out of State Trips

1. Bands of America Regional, Chattanooga, on October 5th

Order #15170—Motion Passed: The board approved the trip to Bands of America Regional, Chattanooga, Tennessee, on October 5th, with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Tammy Hardy.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Mr. Joseph Crawford	Yes

G. Consideration/Approval of Change Bank Account Signatures

Order #15171 - Motion Passed: The board approved the following changes in bank account signatures to add Victoria Barnett to the Middle School in place of Carla Bailey, add Stacy Reynolds and Carla Bailey to the High School account to replace Victoria Barnett, the board also approved to add Tonya Miller to West Irvine in place of Charlotte Arvin, Laurie Ecton to the South Irvine account in place of Tess Dixon passed with a motion by Mr. Joseph Crawford and a second by Ms. Shiela Samples.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Mr. Joseph Crawford	Yes

H. Consideration/ Approval For Emergency Certification At Estill County Middle School

Order #15172 - Motion Passed: Approval for Media Specialist emergency certification at the Estill County Middle School passed with a motion by Ms. Shiela Samples and a second by Ms. Carrie Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Mr. Joseph Crawford	Yes

VI. Consent (Action) Items

A. Approve Minutes of July 2024 Regular Meeting

B. Approve The Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills

Order #15173 - Motion Passed: Approval of all consent items passed with a motion by Ms. Tammy Hardy and a second by Ms. Carrie Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Mr. Joseph Crawford	Yes

VII. Superintendent's Report

A. Update

Mr. Brock reported that it was an excellent start to the school year, and things ran smoothly on the first day. The test results are in, and we are headed in the right direction. Enrollment for FY 25 is up by fifty-three students from last year.

B. Notification of Personnel Actions

Most all positions are filled at this time. We have a few more custodian openings.

VIII. Principal's Report

All principals got to present to the board; see the handout inserts.

IX. Board Member Forum

The board members agreed it was an excellent start to the school year and a good time to be an Engineer.

X. Public Comments

Mr. Tim Rose reported one comment via our website page.

“I’m concerned about the structural integrity of the Estill County Middle School. I think we need to have a discussion about this issue. The cracks in the walls could result in small pieces hitting students in the head. If the building closes where will the students relocate? If a new building is built can the old one be salvaged for storage? It may take two years to build a new building.” Tim Rose

Mr. Bock responded that a Structural engineer regularly monitors the situation at the Middle School. At this time, it is structurally safe for staff.

XI. Adjourn

Order #15174 - Motion Passed: Adjourned Board Meeting at 6:55 p.m. was passed with Ms. Shiela Samples's motion and a second by Mr. Joseph Crawford.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Donna Isfort	Yes
Ms. Carrie Smallwood	Yes
Ms. Shiela Samples	Yes
Ms. Tammy Hardy	Yes
Mr. Joseph Crawford	Yes

Charlie Brock, Secretary

Donna Isfort, Chairperson