

**Floyd County Board of Education Regular Meeting**  
September 26, 2022 6:30 PM  
Floyd County Board of Education Gymnasium  
Eastern, KY

**Attendance Taken at : 6:30 PM**

**Present Board Members:**

Ms. Linda Gearheart  
Mr. William Newsome  
Dr. Chandra Varia  
Mr. Steve Slone

**Absent Board Members:**

Mr. Keith Smallwood

Anna Shepherd, Board Secretary and Board Attorney was in attendance.

**1. Chair's Welcome/Call to Order**

**A. Roll Call/Welcome**

William Newsome Jr was attending the board meeting virtually.

**B. Review Focus Areas-** Safety and Health of Students and Staff; Remain Fiscally Solvent; Attendance 94%; Social Emotional Well-Being of All Students & Staff; Postsecondary Readiness; Proficiency in All Academic Areas; ACT 19.5

**C. Reminder for a Request to Speak**

**D. Pledge of Allegiance**

**E. Moment of Individual Silent Reflection: "Why are we here?"**

**F. The Adoption of Agenda**

**Order #20124 - Motion Passed:** Motion to adopt the agenda as is, adding Item 6-AA) Betsy Layne High School's National Honor Society and Beta Club to travel to New York City during Spring Break passed with a motion by Mr. Steve Slone and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

**2. Spotlight on Student/Staff/Community Achievements, Report on Student Work By Adams Middle School Principal and SBDM Council**

**3. Community Comments to the Board of Education**

Anna Shepherd commented on the tax rate, the board keeping the tax rate as of the year before.

**A. Students**

- B. Parents, PTA/PTO
- C. SBDM Councils
- D. Classified Employees
- E. Certified Employees/FCEA

Greta Gilbert addressed the board as the FCEA president.

- F. Principals' Association
- G. Members of the Board of Education
- H. Public Comment

Jeff Vanderveck - Floyd County Times

you have explained that everything is fully clear and transparent.

Dr. Varia, I want to be clear to everyone. I want to make it clear I been a board member for 21 years

#### 4. Action or Special Reports - Student Learning

##### A. Receive Attendance & Plans/Enrollment and Health Aide Service Report

**Order #20125 - Motion Passed:** Receive Attendance & Plans/Enrollment and Health Aide Service Report passed with a motion by Mr. Steve Slone and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

#### 3 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

#### 5. Action or Special Reports - Student Support

##### A. Receive report from Trace Creek and RossTarrant for the temporary Bus Garage/rebuild of the New Bus Garage

**Order #20126 - Motion Passed:** Received report from Trace Creek and RossTarrant for the temporary Bus Garage/rebuild of the New Bus Garage passed with a motion by Mr. Steve Slone and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

#### 3 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

##### B. Receive Utility Report for Adams Middle School

**Order #20127 - Motion Passed:** Receive Utility Report for Adams Middle School passed with a motion by Mr. Steve Slone and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

#### **C. Receive Report of Superintendent**

**Order #20128 - Motion Passed:** Receive Report of Superintendent passed with a motion by Mr. Steve Slone and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

#### **D. Accept Notification of Personnel Matters**

**Order #20129 - Motion Passed:** passed with a motion by Mr. Steve Slone and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

#### **1. Actions Taken**

#### **2. Requests for Leaves of Absences**

#### **E. Consider/Approve Change Order #001 and BG-4 for Dixie Roofing for the Bus Garage Re-Roof project**

**Order #20130 - Motion Passed:** Approval of Change Order #001 and BG-4 for Dixie Roofing for the Bus Garage Re-Roof project passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

#### **F. Consider/Approve Bid Package #1 - Demolition of the Bus Garage**

**Order #20131 - Motion Passed:** Approval of Bid Package #1 - Demolition of the Bus Garage passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

**G. \*Consider/Approve a "Finding" recommended by the Local Planning Committee on September 20, 2022 for Prestonsburg High School**

**Order #20132 - Motion Passed:** Approval of a "Finding" recommended by the Local Planning Committee on September 20, 2022 for Prestonsburg High School passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

**H. \*Consider/Approve FY 2023 Final Working Budget**

**Order #20133 - Motion Passed:** Approval of FY 2023 Final Working Budget passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

### **6. Action by Consent**

**Order #20134 - Motion Passed:** Motion to not approve (Item 6-E) May Valley Honors Club field trip to New York asking school to come up with a new plan passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

**Order #20135 - Motion Passed:** Motion to not approve (Item 6-Y) South Floyd Elementary School field trip

to New York, asking the school to come up with a new plan passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

**Order #20136 - Motion Passed:** Motion to approve all consent items with the exception of Item 6-E and 6-Y as presented and adding Item 6-AA passed with a motion by Mr. Steve Slone and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

### **3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent

**A.** Consider Approval of Minutes

**B.** \*Consider Payment of Bills and Claims

**C.** Consider/Approve Superintendent Timesheet, Travel and Expenses

**D.** Consider/Approve Duff-Allen Central Elementary is requesting approval of a school wide fundraising event in an agreement with Scholastic Book Fairs, PO Box 3745, Jefferson, MO 65102 during the Fall and Spring Semesters

**E.** Consider/Approve May Valley Elementary to take Honors Club on a highly educational trip to New York City during Spring Break of 2022-2023 school year

**F.** Consider/Approve out of state travel on December 20-23, 2022 to Gatlinburg, TN for the members of the Boys' basketball team at Betsy Layne High School via school bus provided by the Floyd County Transportation Department

**G.** Consider/Approve Prestonsburg High School teacher Mrs. Gretchen Brewer to serve as a mentor for the AdvanceKentucky College Readiness Program and Ms. Katie Richard be a member of the AdvanceKentucky College Readiness Program

**H.** Consider/Approve proposal to change two temporary special needs instructional assistants to permanent positions

**I.** Consider/Approve pay increase for substitute teachers

**J.** \*Consider/Approve salary table change for Save the Children Program Tutors

**K.** Consider/Approve maximum amount schools may request to assist with expenses associated with state and national advancements

**L.** Consider/Approve request for disaster days for school year 2022-2023

**M.** Consider/Approve first reading for Policy 09.1222

**N.** Consider/Approve a contract with Tier 3 Solutions, LLC to provide district and school level MTSS support

**O.** Consider/Approve the Health Science course Body Structures and Functions as a life science credit toward graduation requirements

- P.** Consider/Approve Memorandum of Agreement between Floyd County Schools and Hazard Community and Technical College
- Q.** Consider/Approve John M Stumbo Elementary School requests for the Memorandum of Agreement between Mountain Comprehensive Care Center and JMS to offer the It's My Space Program beginning in the Fall 2022 semester
- R.** Consider/Retroactive approval of Surplus Buses (103 and 303)
- S.** Consider/Approve Floyd County Schools district wide common Social Studies curriculum grades K-12
- T.** Consider/Approve Dance Etc. to use gymnasium during Jenny Wiley Days on October 5, 2022
- U.** Consider/Approve the Student Teacher and/or clinical partnership agreement between Floyd County Board of Education and University of Pikeville
- V.** \*Consider/Retroactive approval of surplus items from Floyd County Schools to donate to districts that were flooded and in need of help
- W.** \*Consider/Retroactive approve Memorandum of Agreement between KyOLXC Mini Grant and Floyd County Board of Education
- X.** \*Consider/Retroactive approval of purchasing the throwback jerseys in the amount of \$685.26 for the Glory Road Series throwback basketball games
- Y.** \*Consider/Approve SFES to take an Honors Club trip to NYC during Spring Break of the 2022-2023 school year
- Z.** \*Consider/Approve Prestonsburg High School cross country team to travel to Ironton, Ohio to compete in an event on October 8, 2022
- AA.** \*Consider/Approve Betsy Layne High School's National Honor Society and Beta Club trip to New York City during Spring Break 2023
- 7.** Executive Session to Discuss (Litigation, Property, Personnel, and Expulsions), KRS 61.810
- 8.** Adjournment

**Order #20137 - Motion Passed:** Motion to adjourn, the time being 7:39 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Steve Slone and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

**3 Yeas - 0 Nays**

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Absent
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Absent