Floyd County Board of Education Regular Meeting

January 22, 2024 6:30 PM In Person and Video Teleconference May Valley Elementary School Martin, KY

Attendance Taken at: 6:30 PM

Present Board Members:

Ms. Linda Gearheart

Mr. William Newsome

Dr. Chandra Varia

Mr. Steve Slone

Mr. Keith Smallwood

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

- 1. Chair's Welcome/Call to Order
- A. Roll Call/Welcome
- **B.** Election of 2024 Board Officers

Order #20434 - Motion Passed: The motion to Elect William Newsome as Chair, Linda Gearheart as Vice-Chair, Anna Shepherd as Secretary and Tiffany Campbell as Treasurer passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

C. Review Focus Areas- Safety and Health of Students and Staff; Remain Fiscally Solvent; Attendance 94%;

Postsecondary Readiness; ACT 19.5

- **D.** Reminder for a Request to Speak
- **E.** Pledge of Allegiance
- **F.** Moment of Individual Silent Reflection: "Why are we here?"
- G. The Adoption of Agenda

Order #20435 - Motion Passed: Motion to adopt the agenda passed with a motion by Dr. Chandra Varia and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart Yes

Mr. William Newsome	Yes
Dr. Chandra Varia	Yes
Mr. Steve Slone	Yes
Mr. Keith Smallwood	Yes

- 2. Special Reports and Spotlight
- A. Receive report from Trace Creek for the temporary Bus Garage/rebuild of the New Bus Garage
- B. Receive update on Betsy Layne High School Softball Field Project in Partnership with WKU
- C. Receive New Area Technology Center & Floyd County School of Innovation Design and Grant Funding Presentation
- **3.** Community Comments to the Board of Education
- A. Students
- B. Parents, PTA/PTO
- C. SBDM Councils
- **D.** Classified Employees
- E. Certified Employees/FCEA

Greta Gilbert addressed the board

- **F.** Principals' Association
- **G.** Members of the Board of Education
- H. Public Comment
- 4. Action or Special Reports Student Learning
- A. Receive Attendance & Plans/Enrollment and Health Services Report

Brook Moore addressed the board concerning attendance numbers.

- 5. Action or Special Reports Student Support
- A. Receive Utility Report for May Valley Elementary School

Order #20436 - Motion Passed: Receive Utility Report for May Valley Elementary School passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

B. Receive Report of Superintendent

Order #20437 - Motion Passed: Receive Report of Superintendent passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

Ms. Linda Gearheart	Yes
Mr. William Newsome	Yes

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C. Accept Notification of Personnel Matters

Order #20438 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

- **1.** Actions Taken
- 2. Requests for Leaves of Absences
- D. Consider/Approve acknowledging receipt and review of the 2025 Draft Budget

Order #20439 - Motion Passed: Consider/Approve acknowledging receipt and review of the 2025 Draft Budget passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

E. *Consider/Discussion on Construction Management Services for the renovation of Duff Allen Central Elementary

Order #20440 - Motion Passed: Rebid for Construction Management Services for the renovation of Duff Allen Central Elementary passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

F. Consider/Approve selecting an Architect for Architectural Services for the renovation of Duff-Allen Central Elementary

Order #20441 - Motion Passed: Reject Approval of selecting an Architect for Architectural Services for the renovation of Duff-Allen Central Elementary passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

G. Receive Nutrition and Physical Activity Report

Order #20442 - Motion Passed: Received Nutrition and Physical Activity Report passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Mr. Steve Slone.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

6. Action by Consent

Order #20443 - Motion Passed: Motion to approve Consent Item 6-T (creating a financial analyst II position) passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Gearheart and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

Order #20444 - Motion Passed: Motion to approve consent items 6-A thru 6-S as presented passed with a motion by Mr. Steve Slone and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

- **A.** Consider Approval of Minutes
- **B.** Consider Payment of Bills and Claims
- C. Consider/Approve Superintendent Timesheet, Travel and Expenses
- **D.** Consider/Approve the 2024 Board of Education Meeting Calendar
- E. Consider/Approve board members travel for FY 2024
- **F.** Consider/Approve purchase of 5 new buses

- **G.** Consider/Approve Family Resource and Youth Services Centers School District Assurance Certification for FYs 2024-2026
- **H.** Consider/Approve surplus of the old scoreboard in the gym at Betsy Layne Elementary and permission to advertise for bid
- **I.** Consider/Approve Memorandum of Agreement between Prestonsburg Health Care Center and Floyd County Board of Education for the Floyd county School of Innovation to utilize Prestonsburg Health Care Center as their nursing home partnership for their Pre-Nursing pathway
- **J.** Consider/Approve Memorandum of Agreement by and between on the part of the Mountain Comprehensive Care Center/Healing Program designated crisis center for the Big Sandy Region and Prestonsburg High School
- **K.** Consider/Approve agreement with NEVCO Sports LLC to purchase and install video board at Prestonsburg High School
- **L.** Consider/Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Eastern Kentucky University(EKU) and Floyd County Schools for participation in the EKU Advantage Program
- **M.** Consider/Approve the use of the following Floyd County Schools Gymnasium for travel basketball practices purposes for Future Jaguars from January 9-June-9, 2024
- **N.** Consider/Approve out of state travel on Sunday, March 31, 2024 through Thursday, April 4, 2024 to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina for the members of the 2024 Baseball Team at Floyd Central High School to participate in Ripken Experience
- **O.** Consider/Approve Wildcard Championship Wrestling as a JROTC fundraiser at Floyd Central High School on March 2, 2024
- **P.** Consider/Approve Wildcard Championship Wrestling as a baseball fundraiser at Betsy Layne Elementary on February 10, 2024
- **Q.** Consider/Approve Wildcard Championship Wrestling as a South Floyd Elementary (SFES) Honors Club fundraiser at SFES on February 9, 2024
- **R.** *Consider/Approve South Floyd Elementary School Honor Club trip to travel to Orlando, FL via Charter Up transportation charter bus on March 31-April 4, 2024 pending liability insurance certificate from charter company
- **S.** *Consider/Approve the Student Teaching and/or clinical partnership agreement between the Floyd County Board of Education and Walden University
- **T.** *Consider/Approve creating a financial analyst II position for the finance department and approve new salary table for the financial analyst II position
- 7. Executive Session to Discuss (Litigation, Property, Personnel, and Expulsions), KRS 61.810

Order #20445 - Motion Passed: Motion to go into executive session to discuss (general nature of the business), (the reason for the closed session) per KRS 61.810 (specific provision _____) the time being 8:17 PM passed with a motion by Ms. Linda Gearheart and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

Order #20446 - Motion Passed: Motion to come out of executive session to discuss (general nature of the

business), (the reason for the closed session) per KRS 61.810 The time being 9:23 PM passed with a motion by Mr. William Newsome and a second by Mr. Keith Smallwood.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

as a result of the Executive Session, there is no action to be taken at this time.

8. Adjournment

Order #20447 - Motion Passed: Motion to adjourn The time being 9:24 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Mr. William Newsome.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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

CHAIR		
SECRETARY		