

Floyd County Board of Education Regular Meeting

June 23, 2025 6:00 PM

In Person and Video Teleconference

Floyd County Board of Education

Drs. Chandra and Mahendra Varia Media Center

Eastern, KY



Attendance Taken at : 6:00 PM

Present Board Members:

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

Tonya Horne-Williams, Board Secretary and Board Attorney was in attendance.

1. Chair's Welcome/Call to Order

- A. Roll Call/Welcome**
- B. Review Focus Areas- Safety and Health of Students and Staff; Remain Fiscally Solvent; Attendance 94%; Postsecondary Readiness; ACT 19.5**
- C. Reminder for a Request to Speak**
- D. Pledge of Allegiance**
- E. The Adoption of Agenda**

Order #20678 - Motion Passed: Motion to adopt the agenda as is passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Dr. Chandra Varia.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays

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| 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

WALTER ORD, "WOODMAN OF THE WORLD" gave \$50 scholarships awarded to high school students and \$25 scholarships to middle school students

A. Best of the Best Employee Awards

FLOYD COUNTY CHRONICALE AWARDS TO THE FOLLOWING:

BEST COACH - Scott Shannon

BEST SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS - Keith Smallwood

BEST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - Betsy Layne Elementary

BEST MIDDLE SCHOOL - Betsy Layne Elementary

BEST PRINCIPAL - Jonathan Parsons

BEST HIGH SCHOOL - Betsy Layne High School

BEST TEACHERS AID - Carla Hall (DACE)

BEST SECRETARY - Brenda Turner

BEST TEACHER - Zoey Hall

3. Community Comments to the Board of Education

A. Students

B. Parents, PTA/PTO

C. SBDM Councils

D. Classified Employees

E. Certified Employees/FCEA

F. Principals' Association

G. Members of the Board of Education

BOARD MEMBERS ADDRESSED

Dr. Chandra Varia stated she thought it was time to raise GPA to 2.5

Keith Smallwood stated that he thought that the KHSAA GPA requirement of 1.66 should be adopted

Steve Slone stated that he thought that the Athletic Handbook should be done away with.

H. Public Comment

4. Action or Special Reports - Student Learning

A. Receive Attendance & Plans/Enrollment and Health Services Report

5. Action or Special Reports - Student Support

A. Receive Utility Report for Stumbo Elementary School

Order #20679 - Motion Passed: Receive Utility Report for Stumbo Elementary School passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood 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

B. *Receive Report of Superintendent

Order #20680 - Motion Passed: Receive Report of Superintendent passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood 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

C. *Accept Notification of Personnel Matters

Order #20681 - Motion Passed: passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood 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

1. Actions Taken

2. Requests for Leaves of Absences

D. *Consider/Approve advertising for Request for Proposals (RFP) to consider Architectural Services for the roof replacement of Central Office and Central Office Gym

Order #20682 - Motion Passed: Approval of advertising for Request for Proposals (RFP) to consider Architectural Services for the roof replacement of Central Office and Central Office Gym passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood 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

E. *Consider/Approve Initial BG-1 for the Betsy Layne ES Gymnasium Renovation

Order #20683 - Motion Passed: Approve of Initial BG-1 for the Betsy Layne ES Gymnasium Renovation passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood 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

6. Action by Consent

Order #20684 - Motion Passed: Motion to approve all consent items as presented, with the exception of (Item 6-Y), which is to be tabled until a later date. All other items in 6 is approved passed with a motion by Mr. Keith Smallwood and a second by Ms. Linda Gearheart.

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 assigning Paul Christy as the Hearing Officer to provide the hearing report to the board for the District Facility Plan

D. Consider/Approve adjusted start and end times for daily time schedules for the 2025-2026 school year

E. Consider/Approve the change to policy 03.1332 from the requirement teachers shall be on duty in the classroom at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to the opening of school and shall remain at least fifteen (15) minutes after the closing of school to ten (10) minutes before school and ten (10) minutes after the closing of school

F. Consider/Approve Allen Elementary School enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Mountain Comprehensive Care Center to provide services to students through the "It's My Space" program throughout the 2025-2026 school year

G. Consider/Approve Student Accident Insurance for the 2025-2026 school year

H. Consider/Approve the use of the Prestonsburg High School gym by Wildfire Championship Wrestling for girls' basketball fundraiser on August 16, 2025

I. Consider/Approve the KDE District Funding Assurances for the 2025-2026 school year

J. Consider/Retroactive Approval for Summer Feeding Program

K. Consider/Approve Pledge of Collateral Agreement

- L.** Consider/Approve contract for services with Floyd County Health Department for student immunizations and adult immunizations to include Hepatitis A, Influenza, PPD Mantoux-TB Skin Test Vaccinations for the 2025-2026 school year
 - M.** Consider/Retroactive Approval the use of the John M. Stumbo Gym by Wildfire Championship Wrestling for fundraiser on June 14, 2025
 - N.** *Consider/Approve the following to be trained as chairpersons to legally constitute ARC meetings (IDEA & 504) for the 2025-2026 school year. School Principals, Assistant Principals, Special Education Consultants, School Counselors and Chief of Special Education for Floyd County Schools
 - O.** *Consider/Retroactive Approval for an extension of the Central Office Cafeteria by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Beginning June 14, 2025 until July 12, 2025
 - P.** *Consider/Approve the purchase of Geotab GO plans with Enterprise Fleet Management program
 - Q.** *Consider/Approve Lease Agreement for two (2) Chevy Express 2500 vans
 - R.** *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 Floyd Central High School for 2025-2026 school year
 - S.** *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 Betsy Layne High School for 2025-2026 school year
 - T.** *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 for 2025-2026 school year
 - U.** *Consider/Retroactive Approval agreement between Betsy Layne High School and the Kentucky Arts Council Poetry Out Loud Program
 - V.** *Consider/Approve Area Technology Center (ATC) \$812,000 AMLER Grant
 - W.** *Consider/Approve MOA renewal for services with Big Sandy Health Care, Inc. to include provision of Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners at South Floyd Elementary, Duff Allen Central Elementary, a Registered Nurse at May Valley Elementary and Dental Services in the designated Floyd County Schools
 - X.** *Consider/Approve Memorandum of Agreement by and between Xello and Floyd County Schools: Beginning in the 2023-2024 school year, as mandated by 704 KAR 3305, the development of the Individual Learning Plan (ILP) for each student shall be established within the first 90 days of the sixth grade year and shall be focused on career exploration and related to postsecondary education and training needs
 - Y.** *Consider/Approve first reading of the revisions/additions to the Floyd County Athletic Handbook for the 2025-2026 school year
 - Z.** *Consider/Approve the purchase of Edmentum APEX & Exact Path Learning for Floyd County Schools
- 7.** Executive Session to Discuss (Litigation, Property, Personnel, and Expulsions), KRS 61.810
- 8.** Adjournment

Order #20685 - Motion Passed: Motion to adjourn, the time being 7:03 PM 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
Mr. Keith Smallwood

Yes
Yes

CHAIR

SECRETARY