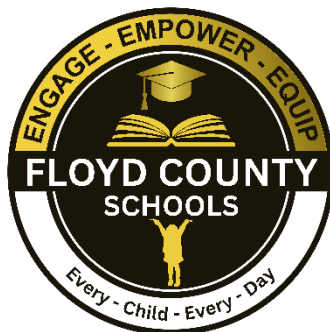


**Floyd County Board of Education Special Meeting**  
May 26, 2026 5:30 PM ET (4:30 CT)  
In Person and Video Teleconference  
Floyd County Board of Education  
Drs. Chandra and Mahendra Varia Media Center  
Eastern, KY



**Attendance Taken at : 5:30 PM**

**Present Board Members:**

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

Tonya Horne-Williams and Board Secretary was in attendance, Board Attorney was not in attendance

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

- A. Roll Call/Welcome**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance**
- C. The Adoption of Agenda**

**Order #20879 - Motion Passed:** Motion to adopt the agenda 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 |

**2. Special Reports and Spotlight**

**3. Action or Special Reports - Student Learning**

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

**Order #20880 - Motion Passed:** Received Attendance & Plans/Enrollment and Health Services 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 |

**4. Action or Special Reports - Student Support**

**A. Receive Utility Report for South Floyd Elementary School**

**Order #20881 - Motion Passed:** Receive Utility Report for South Floyd Elementary School 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 |

**B. Receive Report of Superintendent**

**Order #20882 - Motion Passed:** Receive Report of Superintendent 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 |

**C. Accept Notification of Personnel Matters**

**Order #20883 - Motion Passed:** 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 |

**1. Actions Taken**

**2. Requests for Leaves of Absences**

**D. Consider/Approve the revised BG-1 for the synthetic turf replacement at Betsy Layne High School**

**Order #20884 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the revised BG-1 for the synthetic turf replacement at Betsy Layne High School 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 |

**E. Consider/Approve Change Order #6-7 for the Duff Allen Central Elementary renovation project**

**Order #20885 - Motion Passed:** Approval of Change Order #6-7 for the Duff Allen Central Elementary renovation project 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 |

**5. Action by Consent**

**Order #20886 - Motion Passed:** Motion to table items 5-G and 5- S 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 |

**Order #20887 - Motion Passed:** Motion to approve all consent items except Item 5-G and 5-S (which was tabled earlier) as presented 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 |

**A. Consider Approval of Minutes**

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

**C. Consider/Approve Payroll Date Schedule for FY 27**

- D.** Consider/Retroactive approval of up to \$2,000.00 for Betsy Layne High School Archery Team to cover transportation, registration fees, and meals expenses for 2026 National Tournament to be held at the Louisville Expo Center in Louisville, Ky on May 8th, 2026
- E.** Consider/Approve Renewal of Community Trust as the school district's depository for FY 27
- F.** Consider/Approve the FY 2027 Principal's combining budget
- G.** 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, Registered Nurses at MVE, PES, AES, BLES and Dental Services in the designated Floyd County Schools
- H.** Consider/Approve Floyd County Drug Testing Program Contract
- I.** 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 2026-2027 school year
- J.** Consider/Approve out-of-state travel for Head Start Bus Monitor field trip to Mason, Ohio to Kings Island, June 8th, 2026 with no instructional time lost
- K.** Consider/Approve the Read to Succeed Literacy Coaching Model Assurances for a school-based literacy coach at Sough Floyd Elementary School
- L.** Consider/Approve the Read to Achieve Contract for FY 27 & FY 28 for Prestonsburg Elementary
- M.** Consider/Approve of up to \$2,000.00 for Betsy Layne High School Archery Team to cover transportation, registration fees, hotels and meals expenses for Archery World Championship in Daytona Beach, Florida. June 18-20, 2026. Consider/Approve for the use of a commercial carrier on June 18, 2026 to Daytona, Florida for Betsy Layne High School Archery Team for Archery World Championship. Consider/Approve for out of state travel to Daytona, Florida for Betsy Layne High School Archery Team to compete in Archery World Championship, June 18-20, 2026
- N.** Consider/Approve Amended School Calendar for 2025-2026
- O.** Consider/Approve of \$2,000.00 for Floyd Central High School Track and Field competitor's expenses for team to compete at the KHSAA State competition in Lexington, Ky on Thursday May 21st, 2026 and travel on May 20th, 2026. Expenses include registration, hotel, transportation and team meals
- P.** Consider/Approve of up to \$2,000.00 for John M Stumbo Archery Team to cover transportation, registration fees, hotels and meal expenses for the 2026 State NASP Tournament in Daytona, Florida June 17th-21st. We are asking permission to travel out of state to Daytona, Florida
- Q.** Consider/Approve out of state travel on Tuesday, June 9th, to Dollywood in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee for 8th grade trip Adams Middle School
- R.** Consider/Approve \$2,000.00 reimbursement to Adams Middle School STLP Team for the State. We are requesting the maximum amount for Adams STLP who attended the State Competition on April 24th, 2026. The conference was held in Lexington
- S.** Consider/Approve MOA renewal for services with Appalachian Regional Health Care to include provision of Registered Nurses at MVE, PES, AES, BLES
- T.** Consider/Approve travel out of state to national STLP competition called International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) in Orlando, Florida from June 26th to July 2nd for Adams Middle School STLP Team
- U.** Consider/Approve Renewal of Performance Bond of Treasurer for FY 2027
- V.** Consider/Approve bid for district-wide intercom system
- W.** Consider/Approve the facility use agreement for Wildfire Wrestling to use the Hayes Hamilton Gymnasium at John M Stumbo Elementary on June 13, 2026 to host a wrestling match fundraiser for the JMS Archery Team
- X.** Consider/Approve FY 2027 Tentative Working Budget

**Y.** Consider/Approve waiver for May Valley Elementary travel to Cedar Point, in Sandusky Ohio of more than 275 miles in the current policy

**Z.** Consider/Approve permission to advertise for bids for painting exterior of South Floyd Elementary

**AA.** Consider/Approve of bids for the installation of mini split HVAC units in Floyd County Technology Building A

**BB.** Consider/Approve to allow out of state travel for Betsy Layne High School Boys Basketball team to go to University of Virginia at Wise in Wise, Virginia to participate in the basketball summer camp. The team will travel by Floyd County Transportation and depart on the morning of June 12th, 2026 and return on the evening of June 14th, 2026

**CC.** Consider/Retroactive Approve funding (\$2,000.00) from the Board of Education to assist the Prestonsburg High School Track Team participating in the 2026 KHSAA Track State Tournament on May 21, 2026 in Lexington, Ky

**DD.** Consider/Approve the Memorandum of Understanding and Vendor Agreement between the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation and the Floyd County Board of Education for the provision of providing Community Work Transition Programming to students with disabilities for the 2026-2027 school year as they work on their post-secondary transition goals. (interest inventories, job shadowing, supported employment, on the job training, career fairs etc.)

**EE.** Consider/Approve stipend pay schedule for Certified School Psychologist who will supervise Intern School Psychologist

**FF.** Consider/Approve for the position of an Intern School Psychologist to be posted for the 2026-2027 school year

**GG.** Consider/Approve out of state travel for the Floyd Central High School Boys Basketball team to travel to Wise, Virginia to participate in Team Camp. The dates for the Team Camp are June 12-June 14th

**6.** Executive Session to Discuss (Litigation, Property, Personnel, and Expulsions), KRS 61.810

**7.** Adjournment

**Order #20888 - Motion Passed:** Motion to adjourn, the time being 6:07 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     | Yes |
| Mr. Keith Smallwood | Yes |

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Board Chair