

Augusta Independent Board of Education  
February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 6:00 PM  
207 Bracken Street  
Augusta, KY

Attendance Taken at: 6:00 PM

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Laura Bach  
Mrs. Dionne Laycock  
Mr. Shawn Hennessey  
Mrs. Julie Moore  
Ms. Chasity Saunders

1. Call to Order

1.1. Roll Call

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

1.3. Mission Statement

Rationale:

The mission of Augusta Independent School is to ensure all students achieve high levels of learning in a nurturing climate, empowering them to be responsible and productive citizens of a global community.

1.4. Approval of Agenda

**Order #23-922 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the Agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

2. Student/School Board Recognition

Rationale:

Congratulations Academic Achievers!

Improved Grade-Level on i-Ready:

1<sup>st</sup> grade Reading: Jasper Cummins, Bensyn Habermehl, Luke Harris, Archer Kelsch, Elijah Scott.

1<sup>st</sup> grade Math: Kaylee Thomas

3<sup>rd</sup> grade Reading: Jazlyn Curtis, Ashford Ewen, Layla Fox, Alaina Gilliam, Colin Legg, Madyson McElfresh, Peyton Steel, Tripp Tucker, Phillip Wills.

3<sup>rd</sup> grade Math: Elanor Brown, Jolene Feagan, Emily Gillespie, Braelyn Shurn, Leo Velasquez, Liam White.

Governor's Cup Winners:

Carter Buerkley (Math), DJ Dewitt (Math), Jasper Miller (Composition & Math)

2.1. \*Break

3. Communications

3.1. Principal's Report/Student Achievement

Rational:

Principal Robin Kelsch reported to board members that the first Breakfast Club Mentorship Program was a success and will be adding 8<sup>th</sup> grade with the addition of more mentors wanting to be involved with the program. Mr. Kelsch also updated the board on NTI remote instruction, summer academic programming plan and the high school math program plan for 2023-2024. The plan is to try to implement two different tracks for math to better serve our students.

### 3.2. Superintendent's Report

#### Rationale:

Mr. Litteral informed the board that the TENCO Youth Employment Grant was submitted, while Guidance Counselor Chad Bryant discussed the program's value to our community and some of the success stories of the program. Mr. Bryant also gave an update on the success of the MCTC Dual Credit Program. 33 students took 51 dual credit college courses through MCTC during the first semester, with all passing their courses. 19 students took 43 work ready dual credit courses through the Career Magnet School and MCTC. Ms. Tina Sticklen updated the board on the KSBA Conference on February 24-26.

### 3.3. Attendance/Enrollment

#### Rationale:

**January 2023**

#### **Enrollment**

P-12: 323

K-12: 303

Virtual: 9

#### **Attendance**

January: 93.49%

YTD: 92.95%

### 3.4. Citizens

A citizen requested confirmation of the March board meeting date and time.

### 3.5. Board Members

## 4. Business Action/Discussion Items

### 4.1. Approve Monthly Budget Report

#### Rationale:

**January 2023 Budget Report**

#### General Fund

Revenue receipts through January totaled nearly \$1,233,000.

**Local Revenue:** \$268,000 was received in property tax collections. \$75,000 has been collected in utilities tax, while nearly \$17,000 was received in motor vehicle taxes. \$6,200 was received for reimbursement of expenses, while \$4,100 was received in refunds of prior year expenditures. \$3,300 was received for delinquent property taxes. \$2,000 was received for transportation reimbursement.

**State Revenue:** \$843,000 was received in SEEK funding. \$3,800 was received for revenue in lieu of taxes from the state.

**Federal Revenue:** \$10,000 was received for Medicaid reimbursement.

Expenditures through January totaled \$1,104,000.

**School Budget:** The school budget is \$27,413. \$12,600 was expended through January, with another \$1,600 encumbered. Expenses included \$4,000 on copier fees, \$3,500 on general supplies, \$3,100 for technology resources, and \$1,000 on dues and fees.

**Maintenance Budget:** Expenses totaled \$184,000 through January. Expenses included \$56,000 on utility services, \$47,000 on salaries and benefits, \$44,000 on property insurance, \$20,000 on general supplies, \$10,000 on repairs and maintenance, \$5,600 on professional services, and \$600 machinery. 55% of the maintenance budget has been utilized.

**Transportation Budget:** Through January, costs totaled \$67,000. Salaries and benefits accounted for \$25,000. \$11,000 has been spent on vehicles (Suburban payment), while \$11,000 has been spent on diesel fuel/gasoline. Annual fleet insurance was \$6,300. \$6,000 has been expended on repair parts and tires. \$5,000 has been spent on vehicle repair. Professional services/drug testing accounted for \$1,100. 54% of the transportation budget has been utilized.

*For the general fund, year-to-date receipts exceeded expenditures by \$128,000.*

#### Special Revenue Fund

Nothing to report.

#### Food Service Fund

**Revenue:** \$7,200 was received in local revenue. \$126,000 was received for federal reimbursement. Food service started with a balance of \$89,000.

**Expenditures:** Expenses totaled \$138,000 through January including \$65,000 on salaries and benefits, \$62,000 on food supplies, \$3,400 on machinery, \$2,400 on equipment repair, \$1,800 on fixtures, \$1,500 on dues and fees, and \$900 on technology supplies.

The food service balance as of January 31 was approximately \$84,000.

**Order #23-923 - Motion Passed:** Approve Monthly Budget Report passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

#### **4.2. Approve 2023-2024 School Calendar**

Rationale:

Mr. Litteral stated the school calendar is a similar calendar to the 2022-2023 school year. He stated the calendar committee recommended the same calendar for the upcoming school year after receiving positive feedback.

Note: Several surrounding districts (Bracken, Mason, & Robertson) are opting for a variable calendar due to attendance funding implications.

**Order #23-924 - Motion Passed:** Approve 2023-2024 School Calendar passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

#### **4.3. Approve Monthly Facilities Report**

Rationale:

##### Monthly Maintenance:

- Boiler repaired after city exchanged gas meter
- Urinal sensors replaced in boys' restroom
- Outside parking lot light bulb replaced
- Water fountain filters replaced
- Second Street side door adjusted

##### New Gymnasium Project Update:

Since the Board hired Trace Creek as the Construction Manager for the gymnasium addition, Architect Craig Aosey and his team have been sharing project information including the current plans and specifications, in addition to some of the design decisions that have lead us to this point through programming and our historical knowledge of the building. There have been conference calls, online meetings with consulting engineers included, and an on site walk through with members from Trace Creek Construction.

Trace Creek is currently reviewing the documents and doing cost takeoff for their construction cost estimate and first round estimates are anticipated to be ready soon. This will be followed by recommendations for possible cost savings through value engineering. To date, various ideas have been discussed from early bid packages for site utilities, to changing to a pre-engineered building structure. The discussions have also included materials proposed and floor elevations and now that they have walked through the building, they have a better understanding of the connections proposed. The architectural construction documents are approximately 90% complete based upon the original design, but some changes are anticipated once they delve into the value engineering process.

The architectural team is in a holding pattern until the cost estimate is ready so they can be efficient and work toward any value engineer changes that may be required. They anticipate the construction costs in the current design exceeds the budget, so they will take advantage of every suggestion from the CM and bring these line items of possible savings to the Board. During discussions with the architectural team, we expressed a pre-engineered building with a metal veneer would not aesthetically tie well and maintain the integrity of the original building, but brick veneer may be an option.

**Order #23-925 - Motion Passed:** Approve Monthly Facilities Report passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

#### 4.4. Approve Trace Creek Owner/Construction Manager Contract in AIA/KDE Format

Rationale:

Trace Creek submitted the Owner/Construction Manager contract to the Board in AIA/KDE format and outlines contract terms. The contract will be submitted to KDE once approved by the Board.

**Order #23-926 - Motion Passed:** Approve Trace Creek Owner/Construction Manager Contract in AIA/KDE Format passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

#### 4.5. Approve Acting Superintendent

Rationale:

District Finance and Technology Director, Tim Litteral will serve as Acting Superintendent, fulfilling district duties as needed during Superintendent McCane's absence for medical leave.

**Order #23-927 - Motion Passed:** Approve Acting Superintendent passed with a motion by Mrs. Julie Moore and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

#### 5. Business Consent Items

**Order #23-928 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the Business and Consent items as presented passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

##### 5.1. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

##### 5.2. Approve Fundraisers

##### 5.3. Approve Trip Request

##### 5.4. Approve Use of District Property

##### 5.5. Approve Bills

##### 5.6. Approve Treasurer's Report

#### 6. Approve Adjournment

Rationale:

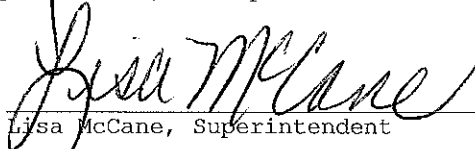
February 20th: No School - Presidents' Day  
February 21st: 39th District Augusta v. St. Pat Girls 6pm/Boys 7:30pm  
@Mason County  
February 23rd: Breakfast Club 9 A.M.  
February 23rd: 39th District Finals TBA; Girls Game is @6pm and Boys Game @7:30pm @ Mason Co.  
February 24th-26th: KSBA Annual Conference @ Galt House in Louisville  
March 4th: Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast in school cafe from 7 A.M. -12 P.M.  
March 9th: Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.  
March 17th: No School - PD Day

March 23rd: Breakfast Club 9 A.M.  
April 3rd-7th: No School - Spring Break  
April 13th: Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.

**Order #23-929 - Motion Passed:** Approve Adjournment passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

  
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Laura Bach, Chairperson

  
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Lisa McCane, Superintendent