

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 8, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.

The Webster County Board of Education held its regular meeting on November 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Linda Rogers, Mrs. Mary Hinman, Mr. Donald Brown, Mr. Jimmie Johnson, and Dr. Dorothy Y. Ingram, Superintendent were present.

Mrs. Linda Rogers called the meeting to order.

Mr. Jimmie Johnson gave the invocation.

Mrs. Linda Rogers recognized visitors.

The tentative agenda was approved by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The September 2022 financial report was approved by a motion made by Mr. Jimmie Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The October 11, 2022 (5:00 p.m.) work session minutes were approved by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The October 11, 2022 (6:00 p.m.) regular meeting minutes were approved by a motion made by Mr. Jimmie Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

Dr. Ingram presented the Superintendent's report and the CTAE report—Webster County has been awarded the REI Safety Grant in the amount of \$42,880 to purchase additional safety products for the school—camera display for lunchroom delivery door (\$2900) and updating the school's intercom system with embedded safety features (\$39,980). Dr. Ingram is working with Mr. Frank King, Raymond James & Associates to project bond repayment plans and expected ESPLOST funds to determine the optimal time to issue bonds and begin projects. Also, Dr. Ingram will meet with SRJ Construction on November 18, 2022. High School and Middle School Science, and Special Education. GSBA (handouts): Risk E-lert November 2022, RMS Safety Scenario October 2022, Policy Alert November 2022, Capitol Watch State Board of Education Meeting Update November 2022, and Legislative Priorities. Additional CCRPI data is available but is under embargo until November 16, 2022 (Content Mastery, Progress towards English Language Proficiency, Readiness). Webster County Health held Flu and COVID Booster clinic on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Homecoming Week is this week—Homecoming game is scheduled for Friday, November 11, 2022 (Webster vs. Baker) and the dance is scheduled for Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> – flyer (handout). Dr. Ingram attended the Cognia Conference and the Fall Legal Issues Conference last week. A severe weather preparedness statewide drill took place November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Dr. Ingram highlighted on student enrollment, attendance, and COVID updates. Upcoming Events: Next Board Meetings are scheduled for December 13, 2022 (regular scheduled meeting at 6:00 p.m., Work Session at 5:00 pm), Open House Reading Night-November 9<sup>th</sup>, Homecoming Game-November 11<sup>th</sup>, Homecoming Dance-November 12<sup>th</sup>, Field Trips: Boyhood Farm-November 14<sup>th</sup>, Thanksgiving Holidays-November 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>.

CTAE: Supervision budget has been approved by DOE approval and waiting for Program Improvement and Perkins Plus budget to be approved. Fall CTAE Advisory Committee Meeting is November 17, 2022 and Spring CTAE Advisory Committee Meeting is March 16, 2023. WBL: Mr. Baker will be attending a Region WBL Conference will be held in January. DUAL Enrollment: Fall Semester Enrollment for GSW (1 student) and SGTC (7 students); DUAL Enrollment registration day is November 9, 2022 for Spring 2023 at 8:30 a.m.; and Apply to College Day has been scheduled for November 17, 2022 for seniors.

Mrs. Balish presented the Principal's report and the Special Education report—Quarter 1 Exams were completed October 24<sup>th</sup> through the 26<sup>th</sup>; the Fall Festival was held on October 26, 2022 celebrating the release for fall break; Mrs. Balish attended the Athens GAEL conference virtually—important legal information was shared. Middle school basketball has begun and high school basketball is about to begin at the end of the week—homecoming week with lots of dress up days and then the end of the week is homecoming court and dance for Saturday night. Open house is tomorrow night which includes reading night and book fair (looking forward to a big turnout).

Special Education: Mrs. Balish attended a Collaborative Communities meeting held by RESA—great opportunity for Special Education Directors to get to know one another, per Mrs. Balish (State Director of Special Education, Mrs. Wina Lowe, from Atlanta attended as well). Continuing to work on IEP meetings and making sure every student is getting the services they need—currently have 38 special education students (Pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade).

Mrs. Sterling presented the Title I report—STAR (data reporting beginning of the year) after reviewing, the administrative team feels the remediation and study skills classes in place will work as an intervention for those struggling in the Reading and Math. The indentified K-5 students have been assigned EIP status and are being served in a remediation class or in a small group setting in the classroom. There will be continuance in the use of IXL, Maneuver the Middle Math, Reading Eggs, Math Seeds, Moby Max, and any resources needed to instruct the students in their weak areas. The data team and administrative team will review the middle of the year's data and move forward thereafter. Also, the students are being served in the weak areas of academics.

Public Comments—Mrs. Linda Rogers read before the public, the WCS Board Policy-Public Participation. Ms. Catrice Aikens (mother of student) addressed the Board. Ms. Aikens had concerns regarding the school's handbook. Ms. Brenda Lippitt (grandmother of student) addressed the Board. Ms. Lippitt had concerns regarding the school's handbook.

The Board approved to adjourn by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

Time Adjourned: 6:23 p.m.  
Prepared By: Regina T. Dotts  
Approved: 12/13/2022