

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BLEDSOE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 5, 2025

The Bledsoe County Board of Education met in regular session on May 5, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at Cecil B. Rigsby Elementary. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. Andy Billingsley with 7 members present.

Roll Call:	Mr. Andy Billingsley	-	Present
	Mr. Tim Churches	-	Present
	Mr. Jacob Frady	-	Present
	Mrs. Carolyn Oakes	-	Present
	Mr. Steve Perry	-	Present
	Mr. Charles(Bron) Reece	-	Present
	Mr. Don Snow	-	Present

1. Approval of the agenda with the addition of 4a. Clairia Wylie a 5th grade student at Pikeville Elementary to give a presentation on elementary music proposal.

MOTION: Mr. Churches SECOND: Mr. Perry

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: AYE Mr. Churches: AYE Mr. Frady: AYE

Mrs. Oakes: AYE Mr. Perry: AYE Mr. Reece: AYE Mr. Snow: AYE

Motion Passed

2. Approval of the minutes from the April 7, 2025 regular meeting, of the Bledsoe County Board of Education.

MOTION: Mr. Perry SECOND: Mr. Churches

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: AYE Mr. Churches: AYE Mr. Frady: AYE

Mrs. Oakes: AYE Mr. Perry: AYE Mr. Reece: AYE Mr. Snow: AYE

Motion Passed

3. Directors Update.

Some of the events happening at the schools include an eighth grade trip, book fair, learning celebration, \$5000.00 being awarded for stem project from TVA and SVEC, mock interviews, choir and band competition in Gatlinburg, TN, eighth grade night, ACT reward trip, student of the month, Special Olympics, The Anne Dallas Dudley Award at Bledsoe County High School, spring musical, senior signing day, senior walk, graduation and classnight, distribution of shoes for students by Samaritan's Feet, testing, registrations, Glowing and Growing party, egg hunt, field trips, Pre-K parent involvement night, and fifth grade visited Bledsoe Middle and Career Technical center

Mrs. Sparkman, Mr. Ridley and Mr. McAnally will be attending a STEM Designation ceremony in Nashville on Thursday and Friday. At that time Mary V. Wheeler and Bledsoe County High School will find out if they have been selected as a STEM designated school.

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4. Presentation by Kaylynn Churches. Ms. Kaylynn Churches was selected to present at the Coordinated School Health Conference. She presented the Board with the speech that she prepared and presented at the conference about programs and support systems in our schools and the benefits of the programs available to students.

- 4a. Clairia Wylie a 5th grade student at Pikeville Elementary to give a presentation on elementary music proposal.

Ms. Wylie addressed the Board about an elementary music proposal she had prepared including grant proposals and the benefits of music in education.

5. Request by Mrs. Kara Walling, Finance Director, to approve monthly financial reports for the month ending March 31, 2025.

MOTION: Mr. Billingsley SECOND: Mr. Reece

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES

Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

Motion Passed

6. Request by Mrs. Kara Walling, Finance Director, to approve amendments #9-11 for fund 141.

#9 – Amend for TISA On-Behalf Payment

#10 – Amend for Public School Security Grant

#11 – Move budget amounts to cover purchase of new chrome books for Bledsoe Middle.

MOTION: Mr. Perry SECOND: Mr. Frady

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES

Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

Motion Passed

7. Request by Mrs. Kara Walling, Finance Director, to approve quarterly financial reports for the month ending March 31, 2025.

MOTION: Mr. Perry SECOND: Mr. Churches

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES

Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

Motion Passed

8. Request by Mrs. Kara Walling, Finance Director, for the approval of the sports supplement equity proposal.

After some discussion. Motion was made for the approval to add an additional 9% supplement for Football.

MOTION: Mr. Billingsley SECOND: Mr. Perry

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: NO Mr. Frady: YES

Mrs. Oakes: NO Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: NO Mr. Snow: YES

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Motion was made to table the sports supplement equity proposal until the June meeting. The proposal will be discussed in a planning session prior to the meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Churches

SECOND: Mr. Perry

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VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES
Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

Motion Passed

9. Discussion and/or update of the Non-Resident policy # 6.204.

Mr. Howard Upchurch, Board Attorney, prepared a revised policy for non-resident students. This policy outlines the requirements for non-residents to attend Bledsoe County Schools.

Mr. Perry made a motion to approve the policy as drafted by Mr. Upchurch.

MOTION: Mr. Perry SECOND: Mrs. Oakes

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES

Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

Motion Passed

10. Request by Mrs. Kristy Owens, Food Service Supervisor, for approval of bid renewals for food and non-food for 2025-26.

Produce, Bread (Price based on USDA Food & Atlanta market value prices), Dishwasher Chemicals, and Food/Non Food/Beverage (up 1%) were all bid renewals with Institutional Wholesale Company.

Pizza Bar/Kits (High School Pizza Bar) renewal with Palmer Foods.

Pest Control renewal with Colonial Exterminator.

Milk renewal with Dean Foods Price is based on Consumer Price Index & Producer Price Index but will not exceed 3.42%.

Ice Cream renewal with Murfreesboro Pure Milk – No Price increase

MOTION: Mr. Reece SECOND: Mr. Frady

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES

Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

Motion Passed

11. Request by Mrs. Kristy Owens, Food Service Supervisor, for approval of Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for the 2025-2026 school year.

MOTION: Mr. Perry SECOND: Mr. Churches

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES

Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

Motion Passed

12. Request by Mr. Brian Turner, Maintenance Supervisor, to approve Rackley Roofing to replace the existing roof on Pikeville Elementary using Ominia Partners purchasing cooperative.

Total Price: \$335,746.87

MOTION: Mr. Frady SECOND: Mr. Perry

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: YES Mr. Churches: YES Mr. Frady: YES

Mrs. Oakes: YES Mr. Perry: YES Mr. Reece: YES Mr. Snow: YES

Motion Passed

13. Old Business. None

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14. New Business. None

Meeting	Date	Time	Place
Planning Session	06/02/2025	05:30 p.m.	Mary V. Wheeler Elementary
Regular Meeting	06/02/2025	6:00 p.m.	Mary V. Wheeler Elementary

15. Adjourn.

MOTION: Mr. Reece SECOND: Mr. Perry

VOTE: Mr. Billingsley: AYE Mr. Churches: AYE Mr. Frady: AYE

 Mrs. Oakes: AYE Mr. Perry: AYE Mr. Reece: AYE Mr. Snow: AYE