

Augusta Independent Board of Education
December 14th, 2023 5:00 PM
207 Bracken Street
Augusta, KY

Attendance Taken at: 5:00 PM

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Laura Bach
Mr. Shawn Hennessey
Mr. Brian Jett
Ms. Chasity Saunders

1. Call to Order

Rational:
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

1.1. Roll Call

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

1.3. Mission Statement

Rational:
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 #23-1034 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

2. Communications

2.1. Principal's Report

Rational:
Principal Robin Kelsch reported to the board on the KCSS Safe Schools Assessment Report and announced the implementation of the Amazing Shake Program for 4th-8th grades in the spring of 2024.

2.2. Superintendent's Report

Rationale:
Superintendent Lisa McCane reported the holiday administrative team service project will support the FRYSC holiday assistance program and announced AIS was selected for the KHEAA's GEAR UP College Match Day Pilot Program. Superintendent McCane provided updates on the bond sale, Augusta ballfield project and the AIEF, Inc.

Attendance/Enrollment

Rational:
November 2023
Enrollment
Enrollment P-12: 328
Enrollment K-12: 308
Virtual: 0
Attendance
August: 92.81%

Attendance YTD: 94.58%

2.3. Citizens

2.4. Board Members

3. Business Action/Discussion Items

4.1. Approve Monthly Budget Report

Rationale:

November 2023 Budget Report

General Fund

Revenue receipts through November totaled \$936,000.

Local Revenue: \$185,000 was received in property taxes. \$55,000 was received in utilities tax, while \$13,000 was received in PSC taxes. Nearly \$12,000 was received in motor vehicle taxes. Refund of prior year expenditures accounted for \$7,500 (includes FEMA payment). \$3,500 was collected from the sale of surplus equipment and \$2,500 for omitted property taxes. \$2,100 was received in reimbursement of expenses. \$1,900 was collected for bus rental.

State Revenue: \$645,000 was received in SEEK funding. \$2,700 was received for revenue in lieu of taxes from the state.

Federal Revenue: \$1,900 was received for Medicaid reimbursement.

Expenditures through November totaled \$875,000.

School Budget: The school budget is \$27,000. \$14,000 was expended through November. Expenses included \$4,200 on technology supplies/subscriptions, \$2,800 on the copy-print lease, \$1,900 on travel expenses, \$1,700 on furniture, \$1,600 on general supplies, and \$1,200 on dues and fees.

Maintenance Budget: Expenses totaled \$181,000 through November. Expenses included \$52,000 on property insurance, \$46,000 on salaries and benefits, \$34,000 on utility services, \$23,000 on repairs and maintenance, \$19,000 in general supplies, \$6,300 on professional services, and \$1,800 on furniture and fixtures. 52% of the maintenance budget has been utilized.

Transportation Budget: Through November, costs totaled \$55,000. Salaries and benefits accounted for \$27,000. \$11,000 has been spent on vehicles. Annual fleet insurance was \$6,400. \$6,300 has been spent on diesel fuel/gasoline, while \$4,300 has been expended on repair parts and tires. 32% of the transportation budget has been utilized

For the general fund, year-to-date receipts exceeded expenditures by \$60,000.

Special Revenue Fund

Nothing to report

Food Service Fund

Revenue: Food service started with a balance of \$66,000. \$71,000 was received in NSLP reimbursement. \$15,000 was received in state revenue. \$4,000 has been collected in local revenue. Food service revenue totaled \$156,000 YTD.

Expenditures: Expenses totaled \$118,000 through November including \$56,000 on food supplies, \$49,000 on salaries and benefits, \$4,400 on furniture and fixtures, \$3,400 on general supplies, \$1,800 for equipment repair, and \$1,300 on dues and fees.

The food service balance as of November was approximately \$51,000.

Order #23-1035 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Budget Report passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Jett and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

3.2. Approve 2024 Board Meeting Calendar

Rationale:

The 2024 board meeting calendar remains consistent with board meetings scheduled the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. with the exception of October, it's moved to the third week due to Fall Break. The December meeting remains at 5:00 p.m.

Order #23-1036- Motion Passed: Approve 2024 Board Meeting Calendar passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

3.3. Approve Amended School Calendar

Rationale:

No school on March 22, 2024 instead of March 15, 2024 (State tournament was scheduled later)

Order #23-1037 - Motion Passed: Approve Amended School Calendar passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mr. Shawn Hennessey.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

3.4. Approve Monthly Facilities Report

Rationale:

Monthly Maintenance:

- Construction of the Augusta ballfield started 12/4 (moving of dirt)
- Cleaning of gutters scheduled for board office
- Delivery of 25,000 lbs. of rubber mulch for playground on 12/6
- Installation of gym curtains in progress this week
- Installation of gym mats completed on 12/7
- Painted curb yellow behind cafeteria (Insurance request for safety)
- Repaired water leak on roof above the library computer lab
- Purchased and installed two new basketball rims
- Rebuilding floor scrubber for gym floors/hallways
- Repainted and waxed gym floor
- Repaired water fountain outside main lobby
- Repaired recycling dumpster
- Installation of two new HVAC units (band building completed on 12/7 and old computer lab this week)
- Obtaining quotes to repair attic stair hallway & old science room plaster
- Removed water fountain in basement
- Training of two new bus drivers starting on 12/19

Order #23-1038 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Facilities Report passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Jett and a second by Mr. Shawn Hennessey.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

3.5. Approve City of Augusta Snow Removal MOA for 2023-2024

Rationale:

The City of Augusta will be contracted for snow removal and salting services of the parking lots and sidewalks at the school and board office. The cost is \$25 per hour, per employee and the cost of the salt used. We anticipate two city employees will need approximately 1-1.5 hours, plus salt, at an estimated \$100-\$125 per job. This is more cost efficient for the district as we were paying approximately \$400 per job in previous years.

Order #23-1039 - Motion Passed: Approve City of Augusta Snow Removal MOA for 2023-2024 passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

3.6. Approve Electric Blue Bird Bus Grant Participation

Rationale:

Transportation Director, Chad Bryant will provide more details at the meeting.

Exciting news! The district qualifies for an EPA grant program for the purchase of two brand new electric Bluebird (Cadillac of school buses) school buses. The buses are valued at \$380,000-\$390,000 each and the district would only pay for a mobile charger between \$30,000-\$40,000. It sounds too good to be true, but it is 100%, an opportunity many qualifying

Kentucky school districts are already participating. The grant program comes from remaining COVID federal funds for lower income school districts. Mr. Bryant and our bus drivers visited Carter County Schools which has 23 new electric buses and they absolutely loved them. Many more advantages to share at the board meeting.

Order #23-1040 - Motion Passed: Approve Electric Blue Bird Bus Grant Participation passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

4. Business Consent Items

Order #23-1041 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Business and Consent items passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mr. Brian Jett.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes

4.1. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

4.2. Approve Bills

4.3. Approve Surplus Items

Rationale:

Surplus Items

Treadmill

25 middle and high school desks

4.4. Approve Treasurer's Report

5. Adjournment

Rationale:

December 14th: Winter Band Concert 6:00 P.M.

December 20th-January 2nd: Christmas Break

January 11th: Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.

January 15th: MLK Day - No School

February 8th: Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.

February 19th: Presidents' Day - No School

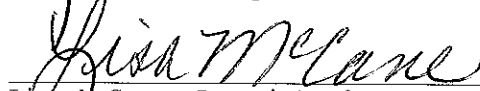
March 14th: Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.

March 22nd: PD - No School

Order #23-1042 - Motion Passed: Approve Adjournment passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mr. Brian Jett.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes


Laura Bach, Chairperson


Lisa McCane, Superintendent