

Board Proceedings (Minutes)

Stuart Pepper Middle School
Brandenburg KY 40117

The Meade County Board of Education met at Brandenburg, Kentucky, at 7:30 p.m., on the ninth of May, 2023, with the following members present: Steve Orr, Alison Allen, Dana Flaherty, Nathan Beavin and Sandy Smith.

The meeting was called to order by Sandy Smith and the following business was transacted:

Good News in the Greenwave Nation:

Dr. Martin recognized several students and a staff member for recent accomplishments.

Landyn Fleenor, 6th grade student at Ekron Elementary, was awarded 1st place in the state elementary STLP Original Photo Category.

Rylee Webb, Issac McGuire, Kalli Oblander were all recognized as senior members of Dr. Martin's student advisory council and Cassidy Sibole's parents were present to accept her certificate in her memory.

Ben Bowen, MC4 Welding Instructor, was recognized for the Skills USA Advisor of the Award he received at the recent state competition.

Construction Update

Justin McElfresh with Sherman Carter Barnhart updated the board on the construction status for Flaherty Elementary.

151 Approval of Change Order 24 Calhoun Construction, Flaherty Elementary Renovation/Addition

It was moved by Nathan Beavin with a second by Dana Flaherty that Change Order 24 Calhoun Construction Services, Inc, Flaherty Elementary Renovation/Addition be approved by the Meade County Board of Education.

PROJECT: Flaherty Elementary
2615 Flaherty Rd
Ekron, Kentucky 40117

CONTRACTOR: Calhoun Construction Services, Inc
7707 National Turnpike
Louisville, Kentucky 40214

Added millwork chase at reception desk in conjunction with CO2 DPO3 Schiller Hardware.

Change Order No. 24

Original Contract Sum was	\$ 6,955,956.00
Net change by previously authorized Change Orders	<u>\$ 195,556.00</u>
Contract Sum prior to Change Order	\$ 7,151,152.00
Contract Sum will be increased by Change Order	<u>\$ 1,928.00</u>
New Contract Sum including this Change Order	<u>\$ 7,153,440.00</u>

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

152 Approval of Change Order 25 Calhoun Construction, Flaherty Elementary Renovation/Addition

It was moved by Alison Allen with a second by Nathan Beavin that Change Order 25 Calhoun Construction Services, Inc, Flaherty Elementary Renovation/Addition be approved by the Meade County Board of Education.

PROJECT: Flaherty Elementary
2615 Flaherty Rd
Ekron, Kentucky 40117

CONTRACTOR: Calhoun Construction Services, Inc
7707 National Turnpike
Louisville, Kentucky 40214

Waste Water Treatment Plant project costs

Change Order No. 25

Original Contract Sum was	\$ 6,955,956.00
Net change by previously authorized Change Orders	<u>\$ 197,484.00</u>
Contract Sum prior to Change Order	\$ 7,153,440.00
Contract Sum will be increased by Change Order	<u>\$ 142,511.00</u>
New Contract Sum including this Change Order	<u>\$ 7,295,951.00</u>

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

153 Approval of Change Order 2 DPO 3 Schiller Hardware, Flaherty Elementary Renovation/Addition

It was moved by Sandy Smith with a second by Alison Allen that Change Order 2 DPO 3 Schiller Hardware, Flaherty Elementary Renovation/Addition be approved by the Meade County Board of Education.

PROJECT: Flaherty Elementary
2615 Flaherty Rd
Ekron, Kentucky 40117

CONTRACTOR: Schiller Hardware
P O Box 99768
Louisville, Kentucky 40269

Added opening at mezzanine in conjunction with CO 24, Calhoun.

Change Order No. 2 DPO 2

Original Contract Sum was	\$ 171,047.00
Net change by previously authorized Change Orders	\$ -1603.54
Contract Sum prior to Change Order	\$ 169,443.49
Contract Sum will be increased by Change Order	\$ 3,112.00
New Contract Sum including this Change Order	\$ <u>172,555.46</u>

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

154 Instructional Update

Marc Adams led the spring instructional update and highlighted the successes of our students and the great strides they are making academically. Kellianne Willson led a brief update on her work with principals this year and school districts that participated in Close the Gap Kentucky.

155 Consideration of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Nathan Beavin with second by Alison Allen that the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

Finance:

- Approval of Minutes of Meeting on April 11, 2023
- Approval of Accounts Payable Payroll (check# 93841-93990 wb pgs 62-66; ACI 1229-1244)
- Approval of Construction Payments (check # 4181-4191; ACI 1245)
- Approval of Employee's Salary Payroll for May 17, 2023
- Approval of Food Service Payroll
- Approval Bid on the following for the 2023-2024 School Year: School Pictures (Elementary/Middle-Strawbridge; High School-Strawbridge), Tires (Best-One, Flaherty Chevrolet, and Goodyear all won portions of the bid), and Painting Maintenance(Parker Painting).
- Approval to Advertise for Bids on Flooring Tile
- Approval of Capital Funds Request

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

156 Consideration of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Alison Allen with second by Sandy Smith that the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

Personnel:

Approval to Hire Emergency CA-4 Substitutes for 2023-2024 School Year
Approval of Job Description (Construction Manager-Certified).

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

157 Consideration of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Steve Orr with second by Nathan Beavin that the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

Approvals/Acceptances:

Approval of Adult Meal Pricing Tool for 2023-2024
Approval to Join Green River Regional Educational Cooperative (GRREC)
Approval of Montgomery & Company PLLC for Financial Auditing Services for 2023-2024
Approval to Join KSBA
Approval to Contract with infoHandler ezEdMed Service for Medicaid Billing
Approval of Fundraising Requests

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

158 Approval of Monthly Financial Statements

It was moved by Sandy Smith with second by Alison Allen that the monthly financial statements be approved as presented by Susan Fackler. Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”. A copy of the financial statements is on file in the Superintendent’s office.

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

159 Approval of Tentative Budget for 2023-2024 School Year

It was moved by Dana Flaherty with second by Nathan Beavin that the Tentative Budget for 2023-2024 school year be approved as presented by Susan Fackler. Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

160 Superintendent's Report
Superintendent's Personnel Report
May 9, 2023

Retirements:

Lauren Ray, Teacher, Meade County High School, effective May 31, 2023
Michael Schwartz, Teacher, Meade County High School, effective June 30, 2023
Nancy Shacklette, Bus Monitor, Districtwide, effective June 30, 2023
Lionetta Sumner, Bus Driver, Districtwide, effective July 31, 2023

Resignations:

Elizabeth Clark, Bus Driver, Districtwide, effective April 13, 2023
CJ Kirk, Youth Football Coordinator, Districtwide, effective June 30, 2023
Jessica Greenwell, Academic Team Coach, David T. Wilson Elementary, effective June 30, 2023
Laura Nelson, Instructional Assistant, Barry Hahn Primary, effective May 10, 2023
Heather Haseltine, Substitute Teacher, Districtwide, effective April 28, 2023
Kimberly Carter, Food Service Asst I-Cafe Worker, David T. Wilson Elementary, effective April 17, 2023
Ashlynn McIntyre, Instructional Assistant, Ekron Elementary, effective June 30, 2023

Termination:

Jason Ledford, Custodian, Flaherty Elementary, effective April 28, 2023

Non-renewals effective June 30, 2023:

Sara Kaufman, Custodian, Central Office
Victoria Voyles, Teacher, Flaherty Elementary
Stephen Nall, Teacher, Meade County College & Career Center
Angie Hartley, Custodian, Meade County High School
Andrew Clare, Teacher, Stuart Pepper Middle School
Tiffany Mattingly, Instructional Assistant, Flaherty Primary
Kimberly Hardesty, Instructional Assistant, David T. Wilson Elementary
Martha Helm, Food Service Asst I-Cafe Worker, Meade County High School
Daniel Frey, Teacher, Meade County High School
Rachel Fiehn, Teacher, Meade County High School

Employees to be hired:

Tim Vessels, Assistant Track Coach, Meade County High School
Jason Morse, HVAC Technician, Districtwide, effective May 15, 2023*

Employees to be hired for the 2023-2024 school year:

Jeff Shaw, Assistant Cross Country Coach, Meade County High School
Sandy Dupin, School Counselor, Stuart Pepper Middle School*
Nikki Menefee, Instructional Assistant, Payneville Elementary
MaKenzie Dean, Teacher, Ekron Elementary*
Sara Ray, Teacher, Ekron Elementary*
Lucas Moore, Teacher, Flaherty Primary

Travis Meadows, Custodian, David T. Wilson Elementary
Donna Coulter, Instructional Assistant, Barry Hahn Primary*
Morgan Benham, Volleyball Coach, Meade County High School
Courtney Burnett, Teacher, Meade County High School*
Brian Schroeder, Teacher, Meade County High School*
Greg Dowell, Custodian, Barry Hahn Primary
Carole Brown, Director of Special Education, Central Office*
Kelli Padgett, Assistant Volleyball Coach, Meade County High School
Nicholas Drexler, Assistant Principal, Meade County High School*
Andrew Stankiewicz, Teacher, Meade County High School*
Tessa Wiley, Instructional Assistant, Barry Hahn Primary*
Laura Scobee, Teacher, Meade County High School*
Brittney Embry, Secretary, Payneville Elementary*
Franklin Everding, Teacher, Meade County High School*
Jessica Mason, Account Clerk II, Central Office*
Thomas DeSurne, Teacher, Meade County High School*
Jennifer Harris, Teacher, Meade County High School*

Employees to be transferred for the 2023-2024 school year:

Glen Wilson, Director of Transportation to Director of Transportation & Facility Operations, Central Office
Janette Schmidt, Principal, Meade County High, to Director of District Program Supports & Personnel, Central Office
Tiffany Sipes, Instructional Assistant, to Secretary, Meade County High School
Judy Tighe, Teacher to Teacher, Covid Instructional Interventionist, Ekron Elementary
Rebecca Whelan, Teacher to Teacher, Covid Instructional Interventionist, Payneville Elementary
Valerie Dowell, Food Service Program Assistant to District Food Service Director II, Central Office
Miranda Medley, Bus Monitor, Districtwide, to Instructional Assistant, Barry Hahn Primary
Garrett Frank, Coordinator of Secondary Academic Programs to Principal, Meade County High School
Kyle Melloy, Assistant Principal to Coordinator of Secondary Academic Programs, Meade County High School
Emily Redmon, Teacher, Flaherty Primary to Barry Hahn Primary
Felicia Barker, Food Service Asst I-Cafe Worker, David T. Wilson Elementary, to Food Service Program Assistant, Central Office
Kerry Tuell, Instructional Assistant, David T. Wilson Elementary to Stuart Pepper Middle School
Cara Esarey, Director of Special Education, Districtwide, to Teacher, Stuart Pepper Middle School
Jessica Richmond, Teacher, Barry Hahn Primary to Flaherty Primary

Paras to be hired for the 2023-2024 school year:

David Wiley, Assistant Football Coach, Meade County High School*
Tiffany Decker, Assistant Volleyball Coach, Meade County High School*

Substitute Bus Monitors to be hired:

Ginette Schoonover*

Kim Short*

*Pending necessary hiring requirements

Dr. Martin made the following statement regarding the decision to demolish the Virginia Miller House:

The Meade County School District is committed to providing the best possible educational experience for our students and employing a high-quality workforce. While our district has made investments in repairing the facilities on the Virginia Miller Campus since we purchased it in 2017, a recent inspection has identified safety deficiencies in the house.

Our Board took action during the March Board meeting to advertise for a bid to demolish the buildings on the Virginia Miller Campus and accepted a bid during the April Board meeting.

The buildings on the property will be demolished the week after school is out later this month. While there are no immediate plans for the property at this time, the ground has value to the Board of Education due to its proximity to Meade County High School. There will one day be a construction project on the Virginia Miller Campus that will benefit students.

Our Board has opted to invest funds that would have gone toward the future maintenance of the house into improving salaries of our workforce. Our Board invested in raises for all employees for the 2023-2024 school year. This was the first time in seven years that our Board had voted to give raises in two consecutive years. Also, this was the largest consecutive years of raises since 2005 and 2006.

As we prioritize the needs of our students and employees, we have made the decision not to invest additional annual resources in a deteriorating, unsafe structure. Rather, we will continue to invest in our students' education and the salaries of our team of dedicated employees. We must ensure that our funds are used in areas that directly impact our students and employees.

147 Approval of Medical Leave of Absence

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by Sandy Smith with second by Nathan Beavin that Meade County Board of Education approve the following Medical Leave of Absence Requests:

Jessica Pike, teacher – remainder of the 2022-2023 school year.

Cheryl Jobe, food service assistant – remainder of the 2022-2023 school year.

Rebecca Thomas, teacher – for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion carried. All members present voting "yes".

148 Other Business

None

149 Public Comment

Lisha Duke spoke to the Board regarding the demolition of the Virginia Miller House. She presented them with a petition containing 1300 signatures and some comments asking that the Board reconsider their decision. Ms. Duke requested a 90 day delay to allow for more time to research repairs and funding sources.

150 Adjournment

It was moved by Dana Flaherty with second by Alison Allen that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

_____, Chairman _____, Secretary
Steve Orr Mark Martin