

Augusta Independent Board of Education
August 8th, 2024 6:00 PM
207 Bracken Street
Augusta, KY

Attendance Taken at: 6:00 PM

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Laura Bach
Mr. Brian Jett
Ms. Chasity Saunders
Mrs. Jodie Tackett
Mr. Mike Taylor

1. Call to Order

Rationale:

Welcome Back to School!
Welcome New Board Member, Jodie Tackett!

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 Agenda

Order #24-1108 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mr. Mike Taylor.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

2. Communications

2.1. Principal's Report

Rational:

Principal Robin Kelsch reported the School Safety Plan and Back-to-School updates to the board.

2.2. Superintendent's Report

Rationale:

Superintendent Lisa McCane updated board members on gap funding for the new gymnasium and presented on Amendment 2 Protect Our Schools KY Campaign.

2.3. Personnel

Rationale:

Certified Hires:

Lillie Christine (Christy) Hoots - High School English Teacher

2.4. Citizens

2.5. Board Members

Rationale:

Board Member Laura Bach welcomed Jodie Tackett to the board and thanked Brian Jett for his service over the last year and wished him the best of luck in his new position.

3. Business Action/Discussion Items

3.1. Approve Monthly Budget Report

Rationale:

July 2024 Budget Report

General Fund

Revenue receipts for the first month totaled nearly \$142,000.

Local Revenue: No significant local revenue was received.

State Revenue: \$141,000 was received in SEEK funding. Nearly \$600 was received for revenue in lieu of taxes from the state.

Federal Revenue: No federal revenue was received.

Expenditures through July totaled \$116,000.

School Budget: The school budget is \$27,000. \$3,100 was expended in July. Expenses included \$2,600 on technology supplies/subscriptions and \$500 on copier-printer costs.

Maintenance Budget: Expenses totaled \$17,000 in July. Expenses included \$6,700 on property insurance, \$6,600 on salaries and benefits, \$1,800 on utility services, \$1,100 on equipment rental, and \$500 on professional services. 4.3% of the maintenance budget was utilized in the first month.

Transportation Budget: In July, costs totaled \$10,500. Salaries and benefits accounted for \$5,600. Annual fleet insurance was \$4,600. 6.7% of the transportation budget has been utilized.

For the general fund, year-to-date receipts exceeded expenditures by \$26,000.

Special Revenue Fund

State and federal grant amounts.

Grant	New Year Funding	Prior Year Funding	Difference
CTE	\$19,139	\$1,023	\$18,116
Community Education	\$20,000	\$20,000	0
ESS	\$15,000	\$15,000	0
FRYSC	\$50,190	\$41,133	\$9,057
GT	\$23,160	\$23,160	0
State Preschool	\$54,446	\$65,867	-\$11,421
School Based Mental Health	\$43,095	\$43,095	0
Safe Schools	\$24,335	\$23,464	\$871
RTA	\$62,000	\$62,000	0
Title 1	\$104,433	\$113,929	-\$9,496
IDEA	\$78,846	\$78,846	0
IDEA Preschool	\$9,686	\$9,686	0
Title 2 C (Perkins)	\$1,725	\$1,702	\$23
RLIS	\$17,500	\$22,558	-\$5,058
Title 2 A	\$10,420	\$11,347	-\$927
Title 4	\$10,000	\$10,000	0
			\$1,165

Food Service Fund

Revenue: Food service began the year with a balance of \$36,000. No revenue was collected in July.

Expenditures: Expenses totaled \$5,000 in July and were all salary expenses. The food service balance as of July 31 was approximately \$31,000.

Order #24-1109 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Budget Report passed with a motion by Mr. Mike Taylor and a second by Mr. Brian Jett.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

3.2. Approve 2024-2025 Property Tax Rates

Rationale:

The Augusta Independent Board of Education voted to levy a 4% increase for the 2024-2025 tax rates with applicable exonerations.

Real Estate: \$78.1 cents (23-24 was \$78.9)

Personal Property: \$79.0 cents (23-24 was \$78.9)

Motor Vehicle/Watercraft: \$57.6 cents (Same annually)

Utility: \$.3 cents (Same annually)

*Due to increased property values, taking the 4% increase will slightly lower taxes.

Order #24-1110 - Motion Passed: Approve 2024-2025 Property Tax Rates passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mr. Mike Taylor.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

3.3. Approve Monthly Facilities Report

Rationale:

Monthly Facilities Report:

- Carpet installed in school main office
- Carpet installed in gym office
- Ceiling tiles replaced
- Cleaned out attic
- Cleaned out storage above stage
- Repaired and replaced locks in library
- Installed correct dimension grease trap for cafeteria
- Installed new AC/Heat units in first grade, fifth grade, and special education classrooms.
- Painted hallways, restrooms, classrooms
- Completed preventive maintenance on all HVAC units
- Received bid to replace front entrance school sign
- Replacing wood fence with hinged fenced in courtyard area
- Waxed floors in all classrooms and hallways
- Cleaned and detailed the Suburban
- Replacing wood fence with hinged fenced in courtyard area
- Deep cleaning entire school
- Installing new PA and bell system

Boiler Replacement Project Update: The block has been ordered for the new boiler building and the footer has been poured for the foundation. Anticipated completion is October.

Order #24-1111 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Facilities Report passed with a motion by Mrs. Jodie Tackett and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

3.4. Approve Emergency Certification

Rationale:

The new P.E./Health Teacher, Mason Burden is enrolled in a Master's of Teaching Program and will be emergency certified for the 2024-2025 school year.

Order #24-1112- Motion Passed: Approve Emergency Certification passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Jett and a second by Mr. Mike Taylor.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

3.5. Approve Consumer Science Adjunct Instructor Certification for 2024-2025

Rationale:

Renee McClanahan: Consumer Science Teacher

*Mrs. McClanahan will also teach the new Teaching & Learning career pathway for students interested in a teaching career.

Order #24-1113 - Motion Passed: Approve Consumer Science Adjunct Instructor Certification for 2024-2025 passed with a motion by Ms. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mrs. Jodie Tackett.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

3.6. Approve Board Member Resignation

Rationale:

- The board moved to officially accept the resignation of Brian Jett tendered on August 8, 2024.
- New Board Member Appointment Timeline
- August 16-31: Post vacancy/Solicit Applications on district website
- August 22 & 29: Run advertisement in Bracken County News
- Sept. 03, 4:00 PM - Deadline to apply
- Sept. 12: The Board can meet in closed session special called meeting prior to regular meeting to discuss and consider applicants, interview candidates, etc. and can fill the vacancy in open session.
- October 07 - Deadline to make appointment

Order #24-1114- Motion Passed: Approve Board Member Resignation passed with a motion by Mr. Mike Taylor and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

4. Business Consent Items

Order #24-1115 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Business and Consent items passed with a motion by Mr. Mike Taylor and a second by Mr. Brian Jett.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

4.1. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

4.2. Approve Surplus

Rationale:

Surplus Items

- Laptops: 10712 & 10719

4.3. Approve Fundraisers

4.4. Approve Technology Activity Report 2024

4.5. Approve Data Security & Data Breach Awareness Report

4.6. Approve Bills

4.5. Approve Treasurer's Report

5. Approve to Enter Executive Session (KRS 159.010)

Rationale:

The board entered executive session at 6:35 P.M. to review and determine an expulsion extension of KB.

Within thirty (30) days prior to the end of a student's expulsion, the Board shall review the details of the expulsion and current factors and circumstances, including if ending the expulsion will substantially disrupt the education process or constitute a threat to the safety of students or school staff, to determine if the expulsion shall be extended for a period not to exceed twelve (12) months. The expulsion review process shall be used prior to the end of each expulsion period until the Board ends the expulsion or the student is no longer subject to compulsory attendance under KRS 159.010.

EXPULSION HEARING MINUTES

At the September 7, 2023 expulsion hearing of the student, the Board heard testimony from Superintendent Lisa McCane, Physical Education Teacher Joey Crouch, and School Resource Officer Ken Fuller, and received evidence including a video of an altercation involving the student in the school gymnasium on August 30, 2023. Superintendent Lisa McCane recommended expulsion of the student as a result of violating Board Policy 09.425, Assault and Threats of Violence.

Based on this evidence and testimony presented at the hearing, the Board determined, through clear and convincing evidence, that the student, on August 30, 2023: (1) committed assault or battery or abuse of another student; (2) committed assault or battery or abuse of school personnel; (3) committed willful disobedience or defiance of authority of the teachers or administrators; (4) used profanity or vulgarity; and (5) made threats that pose a danger to the well-being of students, faculty, and staff. Based on this conduct, to have the student in school poses a safety issue for other students, faculty, staff, and other school personnel. Accordingly, the student is expelled and the expulsion shall be at least twelve (12) months. After twelve (12) months has lapsed, this expulsion shall remain in place until the Board votes to re-admit the student to school in the district.

The mother, nor representatives of the student attended the hearing.

Order #24-1116 - Motion Passed: Approve to Enter Executive Session (KRS 159.010) passed with a motion by Mr. Mike Taylor and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

5.1. Approve to Exit Executive Session (KRS 159-010)

Rationale:

The board exited executive session at 6:48 P.M.

Order #24-1117 - Motion Passed: Approve to Exit Executive Session (KRS 159.010) passed with a motion by Mr. Mike Taylor and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

6. Approve Expulsion Extension

Rationale:

The board approved the expulsion extension for 12-months.

Order #24-1118 - Motion Passed: Approve Expulsion Extension passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Jett and a second by Mr. Mike Taylor.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes

7. Approve Adjournment

Rationale:

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

August 12th-22nd: Staff PD for 2024-2025 School Year

August 13th: Opening Day

August 14th: Athletic Read-I-Fest 6:00 P.M.

August 22nd: Read-I-Rest 5:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M.

August 26th: First Day of School for Students for the 2024-2025 School Year

September 2nd: Labor Day Holiday-No School

September 12th: Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.

Order #24-1119 - Motion Passed: Approve Adjournment passed with a motion by Mrs. Jodie Tackett and a second by Ms. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Brian Jett	Yes
Ms. Chasity Saunders	Yes
Mrs. Jodie Tackett	Yes
Mr. Mike Taylor	Yes



Laura Bach, Chairperson



Lisa McCane, Superintendent