

Moundsville
West Virginia
January 12, 2021

The Marshall County Board of Education met in regular session Tuesday, January 12, 2021, 7:00 p.m., at Washington Lands Elementary, with call in option due to COVID-19, all members having been notified of business to be considered.

Present were: President John Miller, Vice President Christie Robison, Members Brenda Coffield, Lori E. Kestner, Dr. Duane Miller; Secretary Dr. Shelby Haines and Members of the County Administrative Staff.

Matt Mandarino spoke virtually on behalf of the MCEA. Mr. Mandarino reviewed the survey results and ask that they consider the survey results in making future decisions regarding COVID. He would also like to see Dr. Haines create a task force compiled of teachers, administrators and parents.

Minutes of the Special Session, December 8, 2020, and Regular Session, December 8, 2020, were approved on motion by Mrs. Kestner, and seconded by Dr. Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Kestner, seconded by Dr. Miller and motion carried, that the Board approve the following personnel items **A and B** as recommended by the Superintendent:

A. Resignations

Jarrell Bailey – 7th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach and 7th Grade Football Coach, Sherrard Middle School, effective January 11, 2021

Ted Zervos – Head Girls' Soccer Coach, John Marshall High, effective January 11, 2021

B. Employment/Transfer(s) as recommended by the Superintendent and contingent upon clearance by the Criminal Identification Bureau, if applicable, and receipt of appropriate certification

Teachers

Neil McCormick – Teacher of Multi-Cat w/Autism, Moundsville Middle School, effective January 19, 2021

Michael Murphy – Teacher of Music, Central Elementary, effective January 19, 2021

Jennifer Richmond – Teacher of Multi-Cat w/Autism, Moundsville Middle School, effective January 19, 2021

Cooks

Donna Gossett *from* Cook II, John Marshall High *to* Cook II, McNinch Primary, 200 days, 3 ½ hours per day, time to be determined by the Child Nutrition Director, effective January 25, 2021

Crystal McWhorter – Cook II, Washington Lands Elementary, 200 days, 3 ½ hours per day, time to be determined by the Child Nutrition Director, effective January 19, 2021

Coaching Assignments

John Marshall High

- Justin Kropka - Head Football (2021-22)
- Justin Kropka - Strength Coach (2020-21)

Substitute Teachers

Jackie George Carmen Redford

Substitute Aide

Cindy Hudson

Motion by Mrs. Kestner, and seconded by Dr. Miller, that the payment of bills under General Funds and P Card Transactions (attached), as audited and approved by the President and Superintendent, be approved and ordered paid. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Kestner, and seconded by Dr. Miller, that the payment of bills under Direct Annuity Deposit Funds (attached), as audited and approved by the President and Superintendent, be approved and ordered paid. Motion carried.

Mrs. Cuffaro presented current initiatives in Special Education to the Board. She discussed how special education services have continued through the remote learning time either in person or remote. She also discussed the ways that social workers are being used to assist students during the school closure. Mrs. Cuffaro also spoke about positive behavior support interventions across the county.

Dr. Haines discussed future financial projections:

There are a few issues on the horizon regarding future financial projections for Marshall County Schools. Dr. Haines and Mrs. Hartley presented these to the Board as we need to be aware that they may impact our financial status. 1. Murray bankruptcy may generate what appears to be a significant decrease of revenue for the county. 2. Public utility values are down by approximately 15 billion for the state of WV. We will not know the impact of this until the State Tax Department provides us with the information. 3. Due to recent Supreme Court decision, state tax calculations for oil and gas wells have changed which may yield a lesser revenue for the school board. 4. A number of companies filed and were granted a tax break which could decrease revenue. Companies currently on the tax break, which runs out next year, applied for an extension and we have no reason to believe those will not be granted. 5. We are down 115 students in the county which will reduce our per pupil allocation.

Construction Update:

JM Stadium Phase 3: Contract close out

- Stadium signage package – 50% complete
- Final landscaping and paving – 95% complete
- Campus lighting package – 95% complete

Cameron High Stadium Fieldhouse Renovation Project — Final Fire Marshal occupancy walk thru and punch list, Friday 1/15/21

Cameron Elementary Security & Class Renovation Project — completing closing out contract

John Marshall CPA — Completing theatre phase punch list and developing new sound system scope requirements. COVID delay

John Marshall Natatorium – beginning programming needs study. Visiting Brooke and Steubenville pool facilities this month

Washington Lands — Final Phase I - design review completed. Bid documents will go out early February

Moundsville Middle HVAC upgrades- Install completed. Programing new controls

Hilltop Elementary Playground — Started playground foundations

Central Elementary Playground — Phase I concrete work to start January

Sherrard Middle Sewage station- Stage 1 and 2 completed. Reviewing 3rd stage sand filtration design options. Design review/DEP review

Bus Garage Campus Paving — Preparing design and bid package for early spring 2021

Sherrard Middle- New hot water supply tanks completed. Water softener issues

Glen Dale Elementary - RTU 11 failure repair completed

New High Priority issue: Basketball Fieldhouse foundation water seepage concerns

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Mr. Price discussed the Transportation communication system. The agreement that we have been using for cell tower usage has ended. He is working on renewing the contract for this service.

Motion by Mrs. Kestner, and seconded by Dr. Miller, that the Board approve the Securicom Ltd. Upgrade for access control software for \$45,410.98. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Kestner, seconded by Dr. Miller and motion carried, that the Board approve the participation in Virtual Professional Development:

Nicole Hess to attend virtual Thinking Maps – Response to Test – Trainer of Trainer, January 21 and 28, February 11, 2021, with time and registration paid by Central Elementary Title I Funds.

Valerie Yarnell to attend virtual Mentor Training, January 11-12, 2021, with registration paid by Staff Development Funds.

Motion by Mrs. Kestner, and seconded by Dr. Miller and motion carried, that the Board approve the following out of county student transfer: C.R. to Ohio County

Motion by Mrs. Kestner, and seconded by Dr. Miller, that the Board approve the Budget Revisions FY21. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Kestner, and seconded by Dr. Miller, that the Board approve the Local COVID Medical Leave Procedures. Motion carried.

Mrs. Hartley reviewed the Financial Statement ending December 31, 2020.

Superintendent's Reports:

Dr. Haines presented that she has heard from literally hundreds of people regarding school re-entry and that everyone has been well spoken and respectful. She, along with every board member, has read every email, reviewed data shared, and will take the information into consideration. A staff survey was complete where literally 50% of employees wanted to be back in school 4 or more days while 50% wanted to enter school in a hybrid model. There was no remote option given on this survey because the Governor nor the State Board endorse a full remote learning option at this time. We are waiting until the state board meeting to determine Marshall County's re-entry plan.

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Motion by Mrs. Coffield, and seconded by Vice President Robison, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

President Miller adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

President

Secretary

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