

RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS (MINUTES)

Lee County Board of Education Regular Meeting

The Lee County Board of Education met in Regular Session in the Central Office Board Room at 6:00 PM, on January 13, 2015 .

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM:

Present Board Members:

**Mr. Larry Burgess
Mr. Lamont Coldiron
Mr. Curtis Davis
Mr. William Owens
Ms. Janie Thorpe**

ADMINISTER BOARD MEMBERS' OATHS OF OFFICE

Rationale:

Sharron Adams, Notary Public, administered the Oaths of Office to Lee County Board of Education members William Owens, Janie Thorpe, and Lamont Coldiron who were elected in the November 2014 election. All three were serving previously; William and Janie being elected prior, and Lamont appointed by Commissioner Holiday in September 2014.

62-15 APPOINT TEMPORARY BOARD CHAIRPERSON

Rationale:

Appoint Temporary Board Chairperson to open the board meeting.

Motion Passed: Appoint Larry Burgess as temporary Board Chairperson to open the board meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Curtis Davis and a second by Ms. Janie Thorpe.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

CALL TO ORDER

Rationale:

Larry Burgess, acting as Temporary Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

63-15 APPOINT BOARD CHAIRPERSON FOR 2015

Motion Passed: Appoint William Owens as the 2015 Lee County Board of Education Chairperson passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Burgess and a second by Mr. Curtis Davis.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

64-15 APPOINT BOARD VICE-CHAIRPERSON FOR 2015

Motion Passed: Appoint Curtis E. Davis as the 2015 Lee County Board of Education Vice-Chairperson passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Burgess and a second by Mr. Lamont Coldiron .

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

65-15 SET TIME, DATE, & LOCATION OF 2015 REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

Motion Passed: Set the time, date, and location of the 2015 Regular Board Meetings at 6:00 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month in the Lee County Board of Education Board Room passed with a motion by Mr. Curtis Davis and a second by Mr. Larry Burgess.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

66-15 APPROVE AGENDA

Motion Passed: Approval of the January 13, 2015 Lee County Board of Education Regular Meeting Agenda as presented passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Burgess and a second by Ms. Janie Thorpe.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION

Rationale:

As January is school board member recognition month, Superintendent Evans recognized our board members, William Owens, Larry Burgess, Curtis Davis, Janie Thorpe, and Lamont Coldiron for their dedication and support of Lee County students. Each board member received a certificate of appreciation. Superintendent Evans also submitted a letter to the editor of both local papers in honor of our board members.

GREAT NEWS

IXA. LEARN PAD DEMONSTRATION (JOY NEACE AND LCHS STUDENTS)

Rationale:

Miss Neace and the TEALS students were unable to attend. They will present at a later date.

IXB. TEALS UPDATE

Rationale:

Superintendent Evans informed board members that Lee County had been approved for a continued TEALS program site. Superintendent Evans and Chairman Owens have been invited to present at an upcoming meeting regarding TEALS.

IXC. LEE COUNTY FEATURED IN KENTUCKY SCHOOL LEADER ARTICLE

Rationale:

Superintendent Evans informed board members that Lee County had been featured in the Kentucky Leader Magazine through a Process and Performance Management article by Sharron Adams.

IXD. MOREHEAD STATE CRAFT ACADEMY PRESENTATION
(CAROL CHRISTIAN)

Rationale:

Carol Christian was unable to attend this evening due to inclement weather. She will attend a later board meeting to present on the Craft Academy established at Morehead State University.

IXE. TWO LEE COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL SIXTH GRADERS FEATURED ON
NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY HOME PAGE

Rationale:

Miss Jenna Dunaway and Miss Kennedy Lambert, two Lee County Middle School sixth graders, presented to board members on their visit to Northern Kentucky University and Cincinnati, Ohio. NKU's president was impressed by both girls' questions and enthusiasm during his recent visit to our district, and invited them and their families for an expense paid trip to NKU and Cincinnati. Both girls described their visit as "awesome".

67-15 APPROVE BOARD MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE (REGISTRATION, TRAVEL & LODGING) AT THE KIDS FIRST ADVOCACY DAY IN FRANKFORT

Motion Passed: Approval of Lee County Board of Education board members' attendance, lodging, and travel for the Kids First Advocacy Day in Frankfort to be held February 11, 2015 passed with a motion by Mr. Curtis Davis and a second by Ms. Janie Thorpe.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

COMMUNICATION REPORT

XIA. CAREER PATHWAYS UPDATE

Rationale:

Superintendent Evans informed board members that the district is currently updating our Career Pathways. Upon completion, a pamphlet will be created to communicate all pathway course offerings.

XIB. IMPLEMENTATION OF DISTRICT-WIDE VIRTUAL, MONTHLY STAFF MEETINGS

Rationale:

Superintendent Evans advised board members that plans were underway to establish virtual, joint staff meetings where all staff (schools and district) can meet once per month.

XIC. SUPERINTENDENT'S PROFESSIONAL GROWTH PLAN

Rationale:

Superintendent Evans updated board members on his Professional Growth Plan. He advised that he plans to focus on marketing the district as his area of concentration for growth. He wants to make certain everyone knows the positives we have going on in the Lee County School District.

68-15 RESOLUTION EMPLOYING BOARD ATTORNEY

Rationale:

Superintendent Evans shared information regarding the employment of Chenoweth Law Office as the board attorney for Lee County School District on an as needed basis. Legal services and travel time will be provided by Chenoweth Law Office at a fee of \$125.00 per hour. If travel is necessary, mileage will be reimbursed at the state rate with any other reasonable expenses reimbursed also.

Motion Passed: Approve resolution as presented to employ Chenoweth Law Office as the Lee County School District's board attorney on an as needed basis passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Burgess and a second by Mr. Curtis Davis.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

69-15 APPROVE KSBA ENERGY INTERVENTION RESOLUTION

Rationale:

KSBA will intervene on behalf of school districts to keep electricity and gas cost from being increased. The total cost for legal and professional services would be \$35,000.00. If all districts contribute, Lee County's portion would be \$110.00. If half of the school districts contribute, Lee County's share would be \$165.00. These are approximate figures.

Motion Passed: Adopt resolution as presented to contribute to KSBA's intervention to raising energy costs passed with a motion by Mr. Curtis Davis and a second by Mr. Lamont Coldiron .

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER REPORT FOR SOUTHSIDE ELEMENTARY PROJECT

Discussion:

Blanton Coates, Construction Manager for the Southside Elementary project updated board members on the current status. He advised that a monthly management meeting regarding the project will be held on the second Thursday each month. During these meetings, contractors will discuss completed work, planned work, any change orders, and submit pay applications. These meetings will give contractors an opportunity to discuss the project in order to keep it on track. Plumber has begun new sanitary system to tie in to the existing one. A digital copy of plans of work will be completed on the property. Work will begin on the building pad next week. Coates reported that he felt good about where we are; we have a good group of contractors. Board chair William Owens asked about the subgrade and Coates responded. "We will have proper subgrade to build on; we don't build buildings on bad dirt. That's why we have a third party testing agent." Next month the board will receive the first pay application. Codell will send all contracts to KDE; they will review and send back to Codell who will make contract binders.

70-15 MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT

Rationale:

Review and approve the report of December 2014 revenue, expenditures, and projections as presented by District Finance Officer, Zina Gibson.

Discussion:

Zina Gibson presented the revenue and expenditure reports for December 2014. The district has received 65% of budgeted revenue. We have also received approximately half of the building fund amount from KDE. 57% of budget has been expended so far. Bonds have already been sold and deposited in Citizens Bank. They are there and ready for us to start writing checks.

Motion Passed: Approve December 2014 reports of revenue and expenditures as presented at the January 13, 2015 board meeting by District Finance Officer, Zina Gibson passed with a motion by Mr. Lamont Coldiron and a second by Ms. Janie Thorpe.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

71-15 REVIEW/APPROVE FY16 DRAFT BUDGET

Rationale:

Zina Gibson, District Finance Officer, presented the FY16 Draft Budget for board review and approval. The Work comp budget amount is higher due to the KSBA insurance bond payments.

Motion Passed: Approval of the FY16 Draft Budget as presented passed with a motion by Mr. Curtis Davis and a second by Mr. Larry Burgess.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

INSTRUCTION

Rationale:

Steve Carroll, ARI Coordinator discussed the instructional program. The report included the following:

APEX Learning pilot is in.

Rough estimate is 65% of our students have some type of internet service at home - we will have the actual survey results next week.

Administrators met with folks today who will bring new resources for the arts to the district.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Rationale:

Principals reported on Think Link, Star Reading and Star Math.

Steve Carroll reporting for Lee County High School:

Data indicates we are reducing novice rates. We want to be a district of distinction; to do that we need to reduce novice and move proficient students to distinguish.

Steve Carroll reporting for Southside Elementary:

Exported info from Discovery Ed.

We have fluctuations up and down in our percentages.

Kindergarten had 32% reduction in Novice in Language Arts.

23% reduction at 2nd grade level.

Kindergarten Readiness Data from Ms. Cummins - only 15% of boys tested ready for kindergarten, while 50% of girls tested ready for Kindergarten.

In math at Southside, 5th grade had 20% reduction in novice, and 3rd grade had a 40% reduction in novice.

Glenna Cummins shared that Lee County Head Start is looking at the Kindergarten Readiness standards in order to prepare head start students for kindergarten.

Maureen Patrick reporting for Beattyville Elementary:

Kindergarten Readiness results (tested second week of school) indicate 73.7% male students, and 60% of female students were not ready for kindergarten. Now 91% are at or above grade level in reading.

1st grade scores - taking reading test that is read to them before Christmas. After Christmas they must read and test on their own.

We are focusing on increasing scores at the 5th grade level.

Math -

1st grade 95 % at or above

2nd - 94% at or above grade level

5th grade made gains - 84% at or above grade level - made a lot of progress

Reading -

3rd - 98 reading 90 in math

4th - 98 in reading 79.1 in math 89.7 in science

5th - 77 in reading and 88 in math

Karen Angel reporting for Lee County Middle School:

Think Link B 1.3 points higher than last year.

Working on new plan in math for GAP group.

Achievement from Think Link and KPREP from last year show math and reading is higher.

Science is lower and Social Studies is 2.2 behind where they were last year.

We have work to do in science and social studies.

Delivery Targets -

Our reading strength is literature; our weakness is understanding.

Numbers is our strength in math.

RTI will focus on geometry.

Our teachers will look at data tomorrow to determine strengths and weaknesses, and next steps to address them.

We increased at or above grade level in 8th grade math, and are showing progress in reading though RTI.

72-15 APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Rationale:

It was ordered to approve the Consent Agenda as presented by Superintendent Evans.

Motion Passed: Approval of Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Mr. Lamont Coldiron and a second by Mr. Curtis Davis.

Mr. Larry Burgess Yes

Mr. Lamont Coldiron Yes
 Mr. Curtis Davis Yes
 Mr. William Owens Yes
 Ms. Janie Thorpe Yes

XIXA. APPROVE MINUTES

Rationale:

It was ordered to approve the December 16, 2014 Lee County Board of Education Special Meeting minutes as presented (copy on file).

XIXB. APPROVE BUS APPLICATIONS

Rationale:

It was ordered to approve the following bus applications as presented by Superintendent Evans:

BUS REQUESTS FOR BOARD APPROVAL - JANUARY 13, 2015

DATE SUBMITTED	SCHOOL	DEPARTURE DATE	RETURN DATE	LOCATION & DESCRIPTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	OVERNIGHT?
11/17/14 @ 3:13 PM	Lee Co. High School	11/22/2014	11/22/2014	Jackson City High School - McKee, KY/Boys Basketball	Brian Johnson	N
12/16/2014	Lee Co. High School	12/17/2014	12/17/2014	Jackson, KY Prestonsburg High School/Boys Basketball	Brian Johnson	N
12/18/2014	Lee Co. High School	12/19/2014	12/19/2014	Prestonsburg High School/Boys & Girls Basketball	Joshua Broadwell	N
12/18/2019	Lee Co. High School	12/21/2014	12/21/2014	Prestonsburg High School/Boys Basketball	Joshua Broadwell	N
12/18/2014	Lee Co. High School	12/19/2014	12/19/2014	Presonsburg High School/Boys Basketball	Brian Johnson	N
12/18/2014	Lee Co. High School	12/20/2014	12/20/2014	Prestonsburg High School/Boys Basketball	Brian Johnson	N
12/18/2014	Lee Co. High School	12/21/2014	12/21/2014	High School	Brian Johnson	N

12/30/2014	Lee Co. High School	1/10/2015	1/10/2015	SS Entertainments- Flemingsburg, KY/Bowling	Wayne Moses	N
1/5/2015	Lee Co. Middle School	1/13/2015	1/13/2015	Estill Co. Middle School - Irvine, KY/Academics	Jeanette Brandenburg	N
1/5/2015	Lee Co. Middle School	1/17/2015	1/17/2015	Estill Co. Middle School - Irvine, KY/Academics	Jeanette Brandenburg	N
1/5/2015	Lee Co. High School	1/24/2015	1/24/2015	Owsley Co. High School - Booneville, KY/Academics	Christopher Noe	N
1/6/2015	Lee Co. Middle School	1/24/2015	1/24/2015	B. Michael Caudill Middle School - Richmond, KY /Archery	Susan Perdue	N
1/7/2015	Lee Co. High School	2/5/2015	2/5/2015	KY Capitol - Frankfort, KY/Class Field Trip	Matt Watterson	N
1/7/2015	Lee Co. High School	1/14/2015	1/14/2015	Berea College - Berea, KY/Class Field Trip	Matt Watterson	N

XIXC. APPROVE BUILDING APPLICATIONS

Rationale:

It was ordered to approve the Helping Hands' Country Queens beauty pageant on February 7, 2015 in the Sedley Stewart Auditorium.

XIXD. APPROVE FUND RAISER APPLICATIONS

Rationale:

It was ordered to approve Southside's Schwann's website fundraiser beginning in January 2015 thru the 14-15 school year. Participants purchase items from the Schwann's website after entering the school information and Southside will receive a percentage of all items purchased. Funds generated will be used for student needs and activities.

XIXE. ACCEPT BRETAGNE DONATION TO LEE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Rationale:

It was ordered to accept Bretagne Oil Inc.'s \$2,000 donation to Lee County High School athletics.

XIXF. REJECT TRUCK BIDS

Rationale:

It was ordered to reject both truck bids received because we believe we can generate more money by salvaging both the Ford and Dodge trucks.

2014-2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR UPDATE

Rationale:

Ray Shuler, D.P.P., updated board members on instructional days missed due to inclement weather. As of today, the last day of school for students is scheduled for May 7, 2015. This date is likely to change again due to inclement weather. We have missed three (3) days and one (1) hour to date.

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Rationale:

Ray Shuler, D.P.P., provided the monthly attendance report. The district attendance rate is 93.32%; up .11% from this time last year. District enrollment is currently 1022; down 21 students from this time last year.

73-15 AUDITORS REPORT (RUPERT WHITE)

Rationale:

Mr. Rupert (Artie) White of White and Associates presented the FY14 Audit Report. He informed board members that the staff did an overall excellent job. There are no corrective action plans. Lee County is one of only two districts of the several audited by White and Associates this year that did not have any problems at the school level.

Motion Passed: Approval of the FY14 Audit Report passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Burgess and a second by Ms. Janie Thorpe.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

PERSONNEL

Rationale:

Superintendent Evans reported that the district will post an EBD Instructional Assistant position.

74-15 PAY BILLS AND CLAIMS

Motion Passed: Approve payment of bills and claims in order, passed with a motion by Mr. Curtis Davis and a second by Mr. Larry Burgess.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

75-15 ADJOURNMENT

Motion Passed: Consider adjournment of board meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Burgess and a second by Mr. Curtis Davis.

Mr. Larry Burgess	Yes
Mr. Lamont Coldiron	Yes
Mr. Curtis Davis	Yes
Mr. William Owens	Yes
Ms. Janie Thorpe	Yes

Chairperson

Superintendent