

Rowan County Board of Education Regular Meeting

December 15, 2015, 6 p.m.

Rowan County Board of Education

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson
Dr. Scott Davison
Mr. Danny Mabry
Mrs. Brenda Stamm
Mr. Rick Whelan

1. Open meeting

1.a. Call meeting to order

Chairman Rick Whelan called the meeting to order.

1.b. Pledge of Allegiance

Leyla Greene, Sophia Price, Hannah Sparks, and Ella Breeze (Tilden Hogge Elementary students) led the board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.c. Recognize visitors and guests

1.c. - Presentation of "The Frightened Frog" book to elementary principals by the Painted Hills Garden Club

Sue Fannin with the Painted Hills Garden Club presented "The Frightened Frog" book to the following: Cindy Johnson (Clearfield Elementary representative for principal Misty Litton), Rhonda Banks (McBrayer Elementary principal), Andrea Murray (Rodburn Elementary principal), and Brandy Breeze (Tilden Hogge Elementary principal).

1.c. - School presentation by Tilden Hogge Elementary

Brandy Breeze introduced the following overall winners of Tilden Hogge Elementary science fair projects for 2015 - 2016: Kelsey Clark (1st), Hannah Sparks (2nd), and Cooper Tuerk (3rd). She announced other winners as follows: Blake Kappes (1st), Aiden Barker (1st), Michael McLoney (1st), Hayden Gray (2nd), Brooklyn Estep (2nd), Katie Ison (2nd), Andrew Curry (3rd), Sophia Price (3rd), and Leyla Greene (3rd). Board members reviewed science fair projects displayed on tables. Kindergarten students sang two Christmas songs via video. Superintendent Moore and the board thanked Tilden Hogge Elementary staff and students for their excellent presentation.

2. Approve regular business items

2.a. Approve regular November 17, 2015, and special November 23, 2015, board meeting minutes

2.b. Approve payment of monthly claims

Motion Passed: Motion to approve regular business items passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

3. Personnel report

Superintendent Moore gave the following personnel report:

Employment

Ackerman, Diehl	employ as a bus driver with the Rowan County Schools effective December 1, 2015
Brewer, Destanee	employ as a bus monitor for the Rowan County Schools effective December 9, 2015
Curry, Lori	employ for the secretary position at Tilden Hogge Elementary effective January 4, 2016
DeMoss, Anna Bethany	employ as a part-time (four hours per day, five days per week) reading teacher at Rowan County Middle School effective January 4, 2016
Konrad, Susan	employ as a bus monitor for the Rowan County Schools effective December 9, 2015
Pillott, Rebecca	employ as a bus monitor for the Rowan County Schools effective December 9, 2015
Slone, Larry	employ as the head girls' golf coach at Rowan County Senior High School effective December 14, 2015
Weaver, Kimberly	employ as a bus monitor for the Rowan County Schools effective December 9, 2015
Willoughby, Karlee	employ as assistant girls' softball coach at Rowan County Middle School effective December 8, 2015

Resignations

Cole, Sandra	verbal resignation as a custodian at Rowan County Senior High School accepted effective November 20, 2015
Coyle, Dusty	resign as head volleyball coach at Rowan County Middle School effective December 10, 2015
Davenport, Mindy	resign as an instructional assistant at the Rowan County Preschool Center effective November 17, 2015
Mason, Melody	resign as a bus monitor at the bus garage effective November 30, 2015
Osborne, Deanna	resign as a custodian at the Rowan County Preschool Center effective December 18, 2015
Taylor, Millie	resign as head coach of the Lady Vikings' golf team at Rowan County Senior High School effective November 30, 2015

4. Treasurer's report

Superintendent Moore gave the treasurer's report reflecting a balance in the general fund of \$1,405,180.22.

5. Approve BG-1 form for property purchase

Joe Nance from Ross-Sinclair reported on the bonding potential for Rowan County Schools. He reported that the total project cost for the BG-1 project application form for the Rowan County building purchase for the new central office (presently technical college building) as being \$5,145,000. He noted that the \$25,000 in general funds would need to be dedicated to bond payments annually for thirteen years in order to bond \$5,145,000 for the building purchase for the central office.

Superintendent Moore noted that as long as technical college staff members stay in the building, they will pay the annual bond payment of \$356,000. He said the technical college is 70,000 square feet; and when the central office is located in that building, everything will pretty much be on one campus which will be good for the district.

Joe Nance said bonds will sell on January 5, 2016; and interest rates will be locked in at that time. He said the board will have very attractive financing for 20 years.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve BG-1 form for property purchase passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson and a second by Mr. Danny Mabry.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

6. Adopt resolution authorizing the Rowan County School District Finance Corporation to issue revenue bonds

Motion Passed: Motion to approve resolution of the board of education of Rowan County School District, Morehead, Kentucky; authorizing and approving the purchase of certain property for school building purposes; approving the plan of financing the cost of said project (\$25,000 of debt service annually to be paid with general funds); authorizing the execution of a contract, lease and option with the Rowan County School District Finance Corporation and any further necessary instruments passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

7. Recess for Rowan County School District Finance Corporation meeting

Motion Passed: Motion to recess for Rowan County School District Finance Corporation meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson Yes
Dr. Scott Davison Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan Yes

The board recessed for a Rowan County School District Finance Corporation meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Ms. Jennifer Anderson moved, and Mr. Danny Mabry seconded the motion to resume the regular board meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson Yes
Dr. Scott Davison Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan Yes

8. Update on RCSHS renovation project

Peter Fisher gave an update on the RCSHS renovation project. He addressed the progress to date on the different phases and shared a PowerPoint presentation of the work in progress.

9. Approve Pay Application No. 6 and direct purchase order summary and invoices for RCSHS renovation project

Peter Fisher noted that the pay application has been reviewed and is ready for payment.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve Pay Application No. 6 and direct purchase order summary and invoices for RCSHS renovation project passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson Yes
Dr. Scott Davison Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan Yes

10. Evaluate and discuss continuation of long-term use of middle school facilities for Better Life Church

Connie Bushman from Better Life Church was present to discuss the continuation of the long-term use of the middle school facilities for the Better Life Church. Superintendent Moore said church members have done everything they said they would do and more. He said they have been good partners with the Rowan County Schools. Jay Padula said everything is working out well, and it has been a great partnership.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve continuation of long-term use of middle school facilities for Better Life Church passed with a motion by Mrs. Brenda Stamm and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson Yes
Dr. Scott Davison Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan Yes

11. Report on Unbridled Learning

Mike Mathews gave an update on Unbridled Learning and shared the Comprehensive School Improvement Plans and the Comprehensive District Improvement Plan with the board.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve the Comprehensive School Improvement Plans and the Comprehensive District Improvement Plan passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Brenda Stamm.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson Yes
Dr. Scott Davison Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan Yes

12. Establish first meeting date in January

Rick Whelan requested that the first meeting date in January coincide with the first special called board meeting with school councils.

Motion Passed: Motion to establish the first meeting date in January for January 6, 2016, at 5:45 p.m. which will also include the first meeting with three school councils regarding what they are doing to improve test scores passed with a motion by Dr. Scott Davison and a second by Mrs. Brenda Stamm.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson Yes
Dr. Scott Davison Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan Yes

13. Set two special called board meeting dates in January to meet with school councils regarding what they are doing to improve test scores

Motion Passed: Motion to set a special called board meeting for January 7, 2016, at 6 p.m. to meet with three school councils regarding what they are doing to improve test scores passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson and a second by Mrs. Brenda Stamm.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson Yes
Dr. Scott Davison Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan Yes

14. Superintendent's report

Superintendent Moore said he had no announcements but thanked Linda Bradley for her 30.5 years of service working with four superintendents. He noted that Rhonda Read will be replacing Linda Bradley as secretary to the superintendent.

15. Other business

15.a. Approve fifth grade Washington, DC, trip for 2016

Genny Jenkins noted that she has been taking students to Washington, DC, for seven years. She said she would like to have the first parent meeting in January, and the first payment toward the trip will be due in February. She said the DC trip will be in conjunction with fall break. She said in the past there have been 55-65 kids attend with high parent participation. She noted that last year's out-of-pocket cost was a little less than \$600 per person which included everything. She said scholarships are available for students in need.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve fifth grade Washington, DC, trip for 2016 passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson and a second by Dr. Scott Davison.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

16. Closed session to discuss pending litigation per statute KRS 61.810 (1) (c)

Motion Passed: Motion to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation per statute KRS 61.810 (1) (c) passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Brenda Stamm.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

The board went into closed session at 7:05 p.m. and reconvened at 8:15 p.m. with no action being taken.

17. Adjourn

Motion Passed: Motion to adjourn passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Brenda Stamm.

Mrs. Jennifer Anderson	Yes
Dr. Scott Davison	Yes
Mr. Danny Mabry	Yes
Mrs. Brenda Stamm	Yes
Mr. Rick Whelan	Yes

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Chairperson

Superintendent