

Rowan County Board of Education Regular Meeting

February 16, 2016, 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

Chairman Rick Whelan led the board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.c. Recognize visitors and guests

Chairman Rick Whelan noted to M. S. U. students that this would be the last meeting in this building forever. In the future, students will have to travel around and follow the board to other locations to attend a board meeting for class. M. S. U. is going to take over part of the building on March 1 in process of the sale. Future meetings will be held at sites to be determined.

1.c.- School presentation by Clearfield Elementary

Superintendent Moore noted that due to the weather, Clearfield Elementary school's presentation would be rescheduled at a later date.

Superintendent Moore welcomed the large group of university students present at the meeting. He noted to the university students that they would see the process of a regular board meeting. Superintendent Moore encouraged students to ask any questions as this is a learning process for them.

2. Approve regular business items

2.a. Approve regular January 19, 2016, board meeting minutes

2.b. Approve payment of monthly claims

Motion Passed: Motion to approve regular business items passed with a motion by Dr. Scott Davison 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

Romans, James	employ as a night custodian at Rowan County Senior High School effective February 1, 2016
Smith, Carrie	employ as a part-time (four hours per day, five days per week) reading teacher at Rowan County Middle School for the remainder of the 2015 - 2016 school year effective January 7, 2016

Resignations

Riddle, Amber	resign as an assistant softball coach at Rowan County Senior High School effective January 25, 2016
Sammons, Mick	resign as a custodian at Clearfield Elementary School effective February 5, 2016.
Thompson, Beverly	resign as a custodian at Tilden Hogge Elementary effective December 31, 2015

Retirements

Alderman, Brenda	retire as an employee benefit specialist at the Rowan County Board of Education effective March 1, 2016
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4. Treasurer's report

The general fund as of January 31, 2016, reflects a beginning balance of \$4,093,060.83, receipts of \$2,212,454.50, expenditures of \$1,495,368.68, and an ending balance in the general fund of \$4,810,146.65.

5. Update on RCSHS renovation project

Peter Fisher from Ross-Tarrant Architects gave an update on the RCSHS renovation project. He shared a PowerPoint presentation with board members. Mr. Fisher discussed the phasing floor plan and how they are nearing completion on almost all 10 phases. Furniture for the common areas has been installed. Phase 5 work is 98 percent complete. The following items have been completed in Phase 5: terrazzo flooring, classroom flooring and ceiling, locker installation, and restroom tile and hanging ceilings in restrooms. The following items have been completed in Phase 7 - football locker room: block walls constructed and receiving tile and paint finishes this week, concrete flooring is complete and epoxy floor finish will start soon, plumbing has been installed, and ceilings and ceiling soffits are being hung this week. Phase 9 scope includes: final classroom renovations, final terrazzo floor installation, new finishes to the administration suite, and new cafeteria ceiling soffits. Demolition has been completed and new concrete floor in commons poured last week and terrazzo floor scheduled for this week. Phase 8 - main entry and lobby will include new secure entry vestibule, new concession stand, and new ceilings and ceiling soffits. Phase 10 will include finishing up technology upgrades and corridor ceiling installations. Completion is scheduled by July 2016. Superintendent Moore

noted that this is a \$4.25 million renovation to the high school. The high school is almost 34 years old, and this renovation has given the high school a more modern look. The project has turned out really nice.

6. Approve Pay Application No. 8 and direct purchase order summary and invoices for RCSHS renovation project

Peter Fisher noted that the pay application and the invoices have been reviewed and are recommended for approval.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve Pay Application No. 8 and direct purchase order summary and invoices for RCSHS renovation project 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

7. Report on Unbridled Learning

Mike and Allison Mathews reported on Unbridled Learning with a PowerPoint presentation on formative assessment. They informed board members and audience members that formative assessment can be a powerful day-to-day tool for teachers and students. Formative assessment is a practice to move students' learning forward while they are still in the process of developing their understanding. Allison and Mike discussed the teacher's role in formative assessment. Formative assessment is not a kind of test. Formative assessment practice, when implemented effectively, can have powerful effects on learning. Formative assessment involves teachers making adjustments to their instruction based on evidence collected and providing students with feedback that helps them advance their learning.

8. Presentation concerning preschool strategies and Brigance scores

Shirley Anderson, director of the Rowan County Preschool Center, presented to the board members. Shirley noted there were misconceptions about some of the numbers that the state reports, and she hopes to clear up some of these misconceptions. Shirley discussed what students the preschool serves. About 90 percent of the children in the preschool program come from low socio-economic situations or have a disability. Shirley also presented and discussed the following preschool areas with board members: a) school readiness; b) Brigance III Screening assessment; c) Kentucky Early Childhood Standards; and d) Teaching Strategies Gold assessment. Shirley hopes everyone has a clearer picture of the preschool program after this presentation and encourages visitors to spend some time at the preschool center.

9. Appoint Allison Mathews to serve as chair and Lucy Moore to serve as alternate for the evaluation appeals panel for both certified and classified employees for a two-year appointment

Chairman Whelan noted this item would be tabled until the next meeting.

10. Approve continuation grants for Family Resource/Youth Service Centers pending completion of all applications

Superintendent Moore noted that the state budget cuts would tremendously hurt the family resource/youth service centers if passed. Carol Blair noted that the state has been bombarded with e-mails/phone calls requesting them to reconsider budget cuts to FRYSC programs. Superintendent Moore noted that the students with the most needs are the ones that are impacted the most by these budget cuts.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve continuation grants for Family Resource/Youth Service Centers pending completion of all applications 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. Approve shortened school day request for one student

Motion Passed: Motion to approve shortened school day request for one student 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

12. Amend 2015 - 2016 school calendar

Superintendent Moore noted that since school was not in session due to snow on Monday, February 15, 2016, no action would be needed to amend the school calendar at this time. February 15, 2016, was originally scheduled to be a work day for teachers but was going to be used as a make-up day for students. The school calendar will be amended at a later date after staff see how many more days may be missed.

13. Approve changing location of the March regular scheduled board meeting from the Rowan County Board of Education to the Rowan County Senior High School

Motion Passed: Motion to approve changing location of the March regular scheduled board meeting from the Rowan County Board of Education to the Rowan County Senior High School 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

14. Approve changing location of the April regular scheduled board meeting from the Rowan County Board of Education to the Rowan County Preschool Center

Motion Passed: Motion to approve changing location of the April regular scheduled board meeting from the Rowan County Board of Education to the Rowan County Preschool Center 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

15. Approve student lunch prices for 2016 - 2017 from \$2.10 to \$2.20

Superintendent Moore noted that if lunch prices are not increased, the board would lose federal money. Glen Teager noted that prices would increase every year until lunch prices reach \$2.86. The board has no choice but to increase lunch prices due to federal guidelines.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve student lunch prices for 2016 - 2017 from \$2.10 to \$2.20 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. Superintendent's report

Superintendent Moore noted that he did not have anything to report on at this time. However, he said he would like to make a comment regarding the proposed budget that the governor has laid out for all Kentucky school districts. SEEK money will remain flat, meaning no increase. Transportation will not receive an increase. With all of the cuts for preschool, FRYSC's, textbooks, E.S.S., etc., Superintendent Moore encouraged everyone to contact legislators and elected officials and let them know their concerns about the impact the governor's proposed budget could have on K-12 education if passed.

17. Other business

There was no other business.

**18. 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. Jennifer Anderson.

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 7:10 p.m. and reconvened at 8:45 p.m. with no action being taken.

19. Adjourn

Motion Passed: Motion that the meeting adjourn 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 meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Chairperson

Superintendent