

**Rowan County Board of Education Regular Meeting**

November 15, 2016, 6 p.m.

McBrayer Elementary

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 at 6:02 p.m. Board member Scott Davison arrived at 6:05 p.m. due to a traffic delay.

**1.b. Pledge of Allegiance**

Neil Fleck, Kennedy Prater, and Grayson Smith (McBrayer Elementary students) led the board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1.c. Recognize visitors and guests**

**1.c.-. School presentation by McBrayer Elementary**

Principal Rhonda Banks noted their student presentation was centered on "The Leader in Me" program. It went along with Habit 7 - "Sharpening the Saw" to learn. The following students participated in the presentation: Hudson Armstrong and Mara Collins - kindergarten; Parker Harrod - 1<sup>st</sup> grade; Maci Caudill - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, Brecken McCarty - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Braden Barker and Krysten Richardson - 4<sup>th</sup> grade; and Mia Caudill, Allyson Ingle, and Grace Davison - 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The choir sang "God Bless America" and the 4<sup>th</sup> grade students presented the "Preamble" in song. A PowerPoint featuring students and staff was also presented. Mr. Moore and the board members thanked McBrayer Elementary staff and students for their excellent presentation.

**2. Adopt a resolution authorizing the Rowan County School District Finance Corporation to issue revenue refunding bonds**

Superintendent Moore noted that by refinancing these bonds we can save a minimum of \$562,000 over the life of these bonds. Bonds will sell on December 1, 2016.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to adopt a resolution of the board of education of Rowan County School District, Morehead, Kentucky; confirming the acceptance of an offer of assistance from the Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission; authorizing and approving the execution of a participation agreement with said commission; authorizing and approving the refunding of certain outstanding Rowan County School District Finance Corporation school building revenue bonds, Series 2008b; approving the plan of refunding said Series 2008b bonds; 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 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

**3. 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 6:37 p.m.

**4. Reconvene school board meeting**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to reconvene board meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

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

The regular board meeting resumed at 6:43 p.m.

**5. Approve regular business items**

**5.a. Approve regular October 18, 2016, board meeting minutes**

**5.b. Approve payment of monthly claims**

**5.c. Approve leave of absence for Kala Blevins for November 7, 2016, through the remainder of the 2016 - 2017 school year**

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

Superintendent Moore gave the following personnel report:

## Employment

Bradley, Kyle                      employ as head baseball coach at Rowan County Middle School effective October 18, 2016

## Resignations

Callis, Courtney                resign as Rowan County Middle School head softball coach effective October 3, 2016  
Puckett, Helen                    resign as a bus monitor with the Rowan County Schools effective October 26, 2016

## **7. Treasurer's report**

Superintendent Moore gave the treasurer's report reflecting a balance in the general fund of \$2,768,219.00.

## **8. RCSHS Safe Schools Report**

Dan Orman with the Kentucky Center for School Safety presented a "Safe School Assessment Report" for Rowan County Senior High School. A team visited the high school in early October and performed a safe school audit. Mr. Orman commended the leadership team and the entire staff at the high school for coming together and getting the job done. The KCSS team was impressed with the culture and climate of RCSHS. Mr. Orman said "RCSHS is one of the safest designs we have seen in a long time. It is clear that 'together we can' is much more than a slogan in Rowan County.

## **9. Presentation by Ross-Tarrant Architects to discuss athletic facilities**

Laith Ross with Ross-Tarrant Architects presented a PowerPoint on Rowan County athletic facilities. Mr. Ross discussed the athletic facilities and the alternate options for these facilities. These facilities can be used for football, track, soccer, band, and also, for the community. Superintendent Moore noted that if the board wants to move forward with this project, a decision will need to be made by February.

## **10. Report on Unbridled Learning**

Allison Mathews gave an update on Unbridled Learning and shared a PowerPoint. One of the adjustments to the new accountability system will be how science is assessed. The proposed system is a set of interacting and complementary assessment components focused on serving the various needs of different users of assessment information for the common purpose of improving both teaching and learning.

The instructionally driven system will measure the Kentucky Core Academic Standards and was developed by Kentucky teachers. The three components are Classroom Embedded, Through Course Task, and Summative Accountability.

This year 4th, 7th, and 11th grade students will participate in the pilot of the new system. There will be no NRT science testing this year for 4th or 7th grade students. We will continue the Biology EOC at the high school level. K-PREP and Alternate K-PREP Science are NOT in 2016-17 accountability.

**11. Overview of Schools to Watch visit**

Principal Jay Padula noted that three years ago RCMS came to the board and received their support to be involved with the Schools to Watch process. Mr. Padula introduced Steve Tribble, a coach for Schools to Watch through the Association of Mid-level Educators. Mr. Tribble said the main focus of Schools to Watch is the students, and how to make schools better for them. RCMS is almost a banner school; meaning this is what middle schools in the state of Kentucky should be like.

**12. Approve non-resident contracts with Bath (one-for-one exchange with some exceptions made for sibling already attending Rowan County and "grandfather" clause), Carter, Elliott, Fayette, Fleming (one-for-one exchange), Lewis, Menifee, Montgomery, and Morgan counties. Students will be accepted based upon a screening of his/her academics, attendance, and discipline records from the previous county**

Superintendent Moore noted that the one-to-one student exchange contracts with Fleming and Bath Counties are Fleming and Bath County policies, not Rowan County. We have 97 students coming in from surrounding counties to Rowan County and only 7 students going to other counties.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve non-resident contracts with Bath (one-for-one exchange with some exceptions made for sibling already attending Rowan County and "grandfather" clause), Carter, Elliott, Fayette, Fleming (one-for-one exchange), Lewis, Menifee, Montgomery, and Morgan counties. Students will be accepted based upon a screening of his/her academics, attendance, and discipline records from the previous county passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

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

**13. Accept offer of assistance from the School Facilities Construction Commission in the amount of \$25,279 and to equally match the funds**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to accept offer of assistance from the School Facilities Construction Commission in the amount of \$25,279 and to equally match the funds passed with a motion by Dr. Scott Davison and a second by Mrs. Brenda Stamm.

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

**14. 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 Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Anderson.

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| Mrs. Jennifer Anderson | Yes |
| Dr. Scott Davison      | Yes |
| Mr. Danny Mabry        | Yes |

Mrs. Brenda Stamm Yes  
Mr. Rick Whelan Yes

**15. Discuss changing the December 20, 2016, board meeting date**

Superintendent Moore noted that the December board meeting was scheduled during Christmas break for the students and it would work out better for everyone to have it a week early.

**Motion Passed:** Shift from December 20, 2016, to December 13, 2016, for regular board meeting at 6 p.m. 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

**16. Approve memorandum of understanding with KEDC**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve memorandum of understanding with KEDC 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

**17. Superintendent's report**

- RCPC received a \$25,000 preschool partnership grant.
- Thanksgiving meals will be served at all schools on Wednesday, November 16, 2016.
- RCSHS open house and meet the Vikings will be held on Monday, November 21, 2016, at 5 p.m.

**18. Other business**

There was no other business.

**19. Closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (b) (c) (f)**

**Motion Passed:** Motion to go into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (b) (c) (f) passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry 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

The board went into closed session at 8:06 p.m. and reconvened at 8:59 p.m. with no action being taken.

**20. Adjourn**

**Motion Passed:** Motion that the meeting adjourn passed with a motion by Mr. Danny Mabry and a second by Mrs. Brenda Stamm.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Superintendent