**Rowan County Board of Education Regular Meeting**

November 16, 2021, 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 at 6 p.m.

**1.b. Pledge of Allegiance**

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

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

**1.d. Kentucky Family Engagement in Education Week**

Superintendent Maxey welcomed parents and visitors to the meeting. He noted that this is Kentucky Family Engagement in Education Week. Parent volunteers were recognized and thanked for their support and in helping the district to make needed critical decisions. Chairman Whelan read a Proclamation in recognition of the Kentucky Family Engagement in Education Day on Thursday, November 18, 2021. Each school received a framed copy of the Proclamation.

**2. Approve regular business items**

**2.a. Approve regular and Rowan County School District Finance Corporation meeting minutes for October 19, 2021, and special October 26, 2021, 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 Maxey shared the following personnel report:

**Employment**

Erwin, Rachel employ as a district wide special education instructional assistant effective December 1, 2021

Gatian, Natalie employ as an instructional assistant at Tilden Hogge Elementary effective October 22, 2021

Hale, Jamie employ as a district wide special education instructional assistant effective November 8, 2021

Muncy, Kaitlyn employ as the assistant softball coach at Rowan County Senior High School effective November 1, 2021

Slone, Chelcee employ as a district wide special education instructional assistant effective October 27, 2021

**Resignations**

Cornett, Penny resign as an instructional assistant at Rowan County Preschool Center effective January 1, 2022

Davidson, Juanita resign as a custodian at Rowan County Middle School effective October 29, 2021

Lewis, Melissa resign as a special education instructional assistant

at Rowan County Senior High School effective

November 5, 2021

Litton, Misty resign as a Spanish teacher at Rowan County Senior High School effective November 15, 2021

Skaggs, Andrea resign as a special education instructional assistant

at Rowan County Senior High School effective

November 12, 2021

Thomas, Timothy resign as a bus driver for Rowan County Schools effective November 24, 2021

**4. Treasurer's report**

Superintendent Maxey gave the treasurer’s report reflecting a balance in the general fund of $4,109,840.48.

**5. Select architectural services from letters of interest and award a contract to the successful firm for the Rodburn Elementary, Tilden Hogge Elementary, and Rowan County Senior High School renovation projects**

Superintendent Maxey noted that we had sent out advertisements requesting letters of interest for architectural services. Superintendent Maxey said that he would like to recommend continuing our services with RossTarrant Architects for these projects. This firm has done a really good job with our other projects in the district.

**Motion Passed:**  Motion to select RossTarrant Architects to provide architectural services for the Rodburn Elementary, Tilden Hogge Elementary, and Rowan County Senior High School renovation projects 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

**6. Select construction manager from letters of interest and award contract to successful firm for the Rodburn Elementary construction project**

Superintendent Maxey noted that we had advertised for letter of interest for construction manager for Rodburn Elementary. We received two letters of interest for this project, Codell Construction and Packs + Walker. After reviewing both letters, both firms provide tremendous services. Codell Construction is a very well-known firm across the state and has a good reputation. But having the working relationship right here in our own neighborhood with Packs + Walker, Superintendent Maxey noted that it would be his recommendation to continue with Packs + Walker on this project. They are well-known in the area and they have been able to deliver tremendous services on all of our projects that we have done. Packs + Walker is already familiar with the Rodburn Elementary building and facility.

**Motion Passed:**  Motion to select RossTarrant Architects as construction manager for the Rodburn Elementary construction project 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

**7. Accept state technology fund offer of assistance from the School Facilities Construction Commission in the amount of $27,344 and to equally match the funds**

**Motion Passed:**  Motion to accept state technology fund offer of assistance from the School Facilities Construction Commission in the amount of $27,344 and to equally match the funds 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

**8. Approve school calendar committee for the 2022 - 2023 school year**

Superintendent Maxey noted that the following persons are recommended for the calendar committee:

The District Calendar Committee shall consist of at least the following:

1. One (1) District Principal; Brandy Breeze (Tilden Hogge)

2. One (1) District office administrator other than the Superintendent;

Carol Blair and Lucy Moore

3. One (1) local Board member; Rick Whelan

4. Two (2) parents of students attending a school in the District;

Heather Gibson and Randa Gilliam (McBrayer and RCMS)

5. One (1) District elementary teacher; Mar Jones (Rodburn)

6. One (1) District middle or high teacher; Amanda Mason (RCMS & RCEA Rep) and Andrew Zaheri (RCSHS)

7. Two (2) District classified employees; Murisa Adams (Clearfield) and Herbie Lewis (District wide)

8. Two (2) community members from the local chamber of commerce, business community, or tourism commission. Jeff Fannin (Good Shepherd Printing Owner) and Jason Slone (Morehead/Rowan County Chamber of Commerce President/CEO)

**Motion Passed:**  Motion to approve school calendar committee for the 2022 - 2023 school year 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

**9. 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

**10. Approve Test to Stay program for students and staff exposed to COVID-19**

Renee Smith discussed the Test to Stay program. This program will allow parents to opt in or out at any time. Instead of their child being quarantined, they would be tested daily for five consecutive school days. If they test negative, they would stay at school. This program would not cost the district any money. Hopefully, this program will allow us to keep more students in the classroom.

**Motion Passed:**  Motion to approve contract with Ethos Laboratories to implement Test to Stay program for Rowan County students and staff for COVID-19 school exposure 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

**11. Superintendent's report**

Superintendent Maxey reported on the following:

* RCSHS cheerleaders placed 2nd at the UCA competition on Saturday and have received an automatic bid to the UCA Nationals in Orlando, Florida in February.
* Superintendent Maxey received notification today from the Department of Education that one of our classified staff will be recognized and receive an award. However, we will not be able to reveal their name until the December meeting.
* Superintendent Maxey has been appointed as a member of the State Advisory Council for Gifted and Talented Education until June 30, 2024.

**12. Other business**

**12.a. Discuss changing the December 21, 2021, board meeting date**

**Motion Passed:**  Motion to shift from December 21, 2021, to December 14, 2021, for regular board meeting at 6 p.m. 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

**13. 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 6:24 p.m.

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Chairperson

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