

Augusta Independent Board of Education
February 13, 2020 6:00 PM
207 Bracken Street
Augusta, KY

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Laura Bach
Mr. Shawn Hennessey
Mrs. Dionne Laycock
Mrs. Julie Moore
Mrs. Chasity Saunders

1. Call to Order

Rationale:

We LOVE our Students & Staff
Happy Valentine's Day!

1.1. Roll Call

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

1.3. Mission Statement

Rationale:

The mission of Augusta Independent School is to ensure all students achieve high levels of learning in a nurturing climate, empowering them to be responsible and productive citizens of a global community.

1.4. Approval of Agenda

Order #20-597 - Motion Passed: Approval of the agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Mrs. Chasity Saunders	Yes

2. Student/Staff Recognition

Rationale:

Congratulations Academic Achievers!

Kindergarten: Xander Foster, Sophie Giles, Easton Gillespie, Alaina Gilliam, Kallahan Hinson, Madyson McElfresh, Tripp Tucker, Leonardo Velazquez, Liam White, and Phillip Wills.

First Grade: Averi Brewer, Jonathan Morrison, Allyson Moran, Kenyon Peed, and Joshlyn Wilson

Cross Country State Qualifier: Conner Snapp

National School Counselor Week Recognition: Mr. Chad Bryant

2.1. *BREAK

3. Communications

3.1. Principal's Report/Student Achievement

Rationale:

Principal Robin Kelsch reported to board members students are participating in an online platform, Vocabulary.com to improve academic vocabulary in an adaptive learning game format and that students are highly motivated and excelling in competitions with other schools.

An in-home kindergarten readiness program, UPSTART will be offered to families through the school this fall, according to Principal Kelsch. He stated the program targets children who will be 4-years-old using online personalized instruction in math, reading and science 15-minutes per day, and 5 days per week. Families will receive a free laptop computer, Internet access and support from a Family Education Liaison. The district will be publicizing the program this spring and summer and information will be available on the district's website.

Principal Kelsch stated the senior trip to Orlando, Florida is March 11-14 and all funds have been raised for the trip.

3.2. Superintendent's Report

Rationale:

Superintendent Lisa McCane reported to the board the charter authorizer training waiver had been approved, the district submitted a Youth Employment Program grant proposal and plans to submit a proposal for an International Paper grant for library updates.

Board members were informed the district completed the Kentucky School Risk Assessment that will be used to determine statewide school safety needs across the state, according to Superintendent McCane.

Superintendent McCane provided legislative updates highlighting advocacy for equalization of the recallable nickel tax and stated the need for state matching funds in the new biennium budget.

Board members were informed the district will be activating board member email accounts that will be used on the district website and be linked to existing personal email and of the KSBA Winter Conference board team itinerary.

3.3. Personnel

Rationale:

Resignations

Robin Kelsch: Head Girls' Basketball Coach (Effective End of Season)

Roy Machen: Volleyball Coach

Jerry Zeigler: Head Boys' Baseball Coach

Hires

Joseph Crouch: Middle and High School Volleyball Coach

3.4. Attendance/Enrollment

Rationale:

January Attendance: 94.38%

YTD Attendance: 94.85%

Enrollment P-12: 293

Enrollment K-12: 275

The district has closed at total of four days due to illness.

3.5. Citizens

3.6. Board Members

4. Business Action/Discussion Items

4.1. Approve Monthly Budget Report

Rationale:

January 2020 Budget Report

Finance Director, Tim Litteral reported the bequeathed funds received by the district from the Linda Mills Estate was in the amount of \$4,033. Also, noted was the school substitute teacher budget indicated significant savings due in part to the full-time substitute teacher position the board approved for the 2019-2020 school year.

General Fund

Revenue receipts through January totaled \$1,146,000.

Local Revenue: Over \$231,000 was received for property taxes. \$63,000 has been received in utility tax. \$13,000 was received in motor vehicle taxes, while \$8,000 was collected in tuition payments. \$2,100 was received for transportation reimbursement, and \$1,400 was received for delinquent taxes. Over \$600 has been collected in fitness center dues. \$2,000 has been earned in interest.

State Revenue: \$798,000 was received in SEEK funding, while approximately \$3,700 was received for revenue in lieu of taxes from the state.

Federal Revenue: Medicaid reimbursement accounted for \$2,500.

Expenditures through January totaled approximately \$1,110,000.

School Budget: The school budget is \$19,569. Through January, \$15,500 was expended. Expenses included \$5,800 on supplemental curriculum resources/technology resources, \$4,000 on copying costs, \$2,900 on general supplies, \$1,800 on dues and fees, and \$500 for both postage and travel.

Maintenance Budget: Expenses totaled \$206,000 through January. Expenses included \$51,000 on utility services, \$47,000 on salaries and benefits, \$40,000 on property insurance, \$27,000 on tech-related hardware (video camera system/phone equipment), \$16,000 on general supplies, \$10,400 on building repairs and maintenance/plumbing, \$8,100 on professional services, \$3,500 on machinery/fixtures, and \$3,000 on equipment and machinery repair. 69% of the maintenance budget has been utilized.

Transportation Budget: Through January, costs totaled \$62,000. \$22,000 was expended on salary and benefits. The annual Suburban payment was \$11,000. \$8,300 was spent on diesel fuel, while fleet insurance costs totaled \$7,700. \$7,000 was expended on repair parts/tires. \$4,000 was expended on vehicle repair/maintenance, and \$1,300 in gasoline has been purchased. 53% of the transportation budget has been utilized.

For the general fund, receipts exceeded expenditures by \$35,500.

Special Revenue Fund

FRYSC has received an additional \$500 in January for the Neediest Kids of All grant, bringing the annual total received to \$2,500. Over \$1,700 has already been expended from those funds.

Food Service Fund

Food service receipts through January totaled \$100,000. \$89,700 was received from federal reimbursement, \$9,600 from local revenue, and \$800 from state revenue. Expenditures totaled \$86,000 including \$43,400 on food, \$38,000 on salaries and benefits, \$2,000 on equipment repair, \$1,300 on general supplies, \$800 on dues and fees, and \$600 on equipment. The food service balance as of January 31 was approximately \$62,700.

Order #20-598 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Budget Report passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Bach and a second by Mrs. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach

Yes

Mr. Shawn Hennessey Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore Yes
Mrs. Chasity Saunders Yes

4.2. Approve Monthly Facilities Report

Rationale:

Monthly Maintenance:

- Replaced belts on gym HVAC units
- Replaced cafeteria milk cooler compressor
- Replaced cafeteria refrigerator sensors
- Replaced gym light
- Replaced heater in boys' locker room
- Installed new storm door on board office door
- Cleaned and disinfected building & cafeteria floors on NTI days
- A new paging system will be installed on Tuesday, Feb. 18. The same company that did the new phone system, Integration Partners will complete the installation. The old intercom system is not compatible with the new phone system, therefore, paging is only through the new phone speakers. It is difficult to hear the paging/announcements in classrooms, presenting a safety concern that necessitates the intercom paging through the existing classroom and hallway speakers. The cost is \$3,600.

Order #20-599 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Facilities Report passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore Yes
Mrs. Chasity Saunders Yes

4.3. Approve KETS Offer of Assistance

Rationale:

Pursuant to KRS 157.655-157.660 and 750 KAR 2:010, the School Facilities Construction Commission (SFCC) is hereby making an official FY-2020 KETS offer of assistance to the Augusta Independent Board of Education in the amount of \$1,771 for the Education Technology Funding Program.

Order #20-600 - Motion Passed: Approve KETS Offer of Assistance passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mrs. Laura Bach.

Mrs. Laura Bach Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore Yes
Mrs. Chasity Saunders Yes

4.4. Approve 2020-2021 MCTC Dual Credit MOA

Order #20-601 - Motion Passed: Approve 2020-2021 MCTC Dual Credit MOA passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach Yes

Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Mrs. Chasity Saunders	Yes

4.5. 2020-2021 Draft School Calendar Options

Rationale:

Director of District Services, Barry Caskey and School Counselor/DPP Designee, Chad Bryant will present 2020-2021 Draft School Calendar Options to the board for input.

A survey will then be sent to staff and parents/guardians to collect input and preference of school calendar options. Superintendent McCane will make a recommendation to the board for approval in March.

4.6. Approve 2020-2021 District Auditor

Rationale:

Superintendent Lisa McCane and Finance Officer Tim Litteral reviewed the bid tabulation and evaluation chart outlining details of each audit firm who submitted bids to perform the 2020-2021 district financial audit for the Augusta Independent Board of Education.

After discussion, board members selected Maddox & Associates CPAs, Inc. based on experience, peer review findings and the audit cost schedule.

Order #20-602 - Motion Passed: Approve 2020-2021 District Auditor passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Bach and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Mrs. Chasity Saunders	Yes

5. Business Consent Items

Order #20-603 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Business and Consent items as presented passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mrs. Chasity Saunders.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
Mr. Shawn Hennessey	Yes
Mrs. Dionne Laycock	Yes
Mrs. Julie Moore	Yes
Mrs. Chasity Saunders	Yes

- 5.1. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes
- 5.2. Approve FRYSC Assurance Certification for 2020-2022
- 5.3. Approve Use of District Property
- 5.4. Approve Donations
- 5.5. Approve LegalShield as a Voluntary Benefit Provider

Rationale:

LegalShield offers voluntary benefit package plans to district employees. There are two plans available through this voluntary benefit that employees could choose to have payroll deducted:

Legal Plan - Provides a base level of legal assistance to employees that would include advice and consultation, family matters services, document preparation, motor vehicle legal services, and IRS audit legal services.

IDShield - Provides identity monitoring services and identity restoration services

*Employees could not use the legal plan services against the school district.

5.6. Approve Computer Surplus Items

Rationale:

Computers:

10713

10731

Chromebook:

10966

5.7. Approve Bills

5.8. Approve Treasurer's Report

6. Adjournment

Rationale:

February 15th & 21st: Senior Night for Sports and Clubs

February 17: Presidents' Day-No School

February 24th: St. Pat-Augusta District Basketball Games @Bracken County High School Girls @6:30pm and Boys @8pm

February 25th: Spring Individual/Class Pictures

February 27th: District Finals Game @Bracken County High School

March 11th-14th: Senior Trip to Orlando, FL

March 12th: Board Meeting @6pm in Library

March 19th & 20th: PD Days-No School

March 30th-April 3rd: Book Fair Week in Library

April 2nd: Literacy Night in Gym from 5-6:30pm

April 6th-10th: Spring Break-No School

April 16th: Board Meeting @6 in Library

May 2nd: Prom

Order #20-604 - Motion Passed: Approve to Adjournment passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Bach and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

Mrs. Laura Bach Yes

Mr. Shawn Hennessey Yes

Mrs. Dionne Laycock Yes

Mrs. Julie Moore Yes

Mrs. Chasity Saunders Yes



Julie Moore, Chairperson



Lisa McCane, Superintendent