

**Augusta Independent Board of Education**

March 09, 2017 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

Absent Board Members:

Mrs. Chasity Saunders

Updated Attendance:

Mrs. Dionne Laycock was updated to present at: 6:25 PM

**1. Call to Order**

Rationale:

Happy Birthday Board Members!  
Laura Bach, March 7th  
Dionne Laycock, March 22nd  
Welcome New Board Members!  
Shawn Hennessey  
Julie Moore

**1.1. Roll Call**

Rationale:

Augusta Independent School District previously swore in new board members, Shawn Hennessey and Julie Moore.

**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 #17-348 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Julie Moore and a second by Mr. Shawn Hennessey.

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

**2. Student Recognition**

Rationale:

Congratulations to our Academic Achievers!

3rd Grade: Keith Borgmann, Peyton Dwenger, Nora Gill, Allie Gordley, Robert Harding, Robert Hatcher, Spencer Plummer, Trent Potts, Jameson Quinlin, Irvin Velazquez, Harley Wilson, Makayla Wodruff.

Elementary Academic Team: Elijah Johnson (4th place Math), William Kelsch (3rd place Math), Mason Saunders (5th place Math), Katelyn Wilson (5th place Language Arts).

Middle School Robotics Team Presents Robot Designs: Thomas Campbell, John Paul Cordle, Emily Curtis, Cody Frederick, Michael Fuller, Kenton Gillespie, Cloie Groves, Breanna Haas, Jon Kiskaden, Aubree Ruf

## **2.1. \*BREAK**

## **3. Communications**

### **3.1. Principal's Report/Student Achievement**

#### **Rationale:**

Principal, Robin Kelsch stated plans for Operation Preparation as part of the school's emphasis on college and career advising and planning initiatives during the month of March. He stated students in 8th-12th would participate in activities such as career day, Individual Learning Plan advising, college visits, and mock interviews.

Furthermore, preparation for state testing was underway and dates set for Science Field Assessments: Through Course Tasks for 4th and 7th grades Mar. 13th-17th and 11th grade Mar. 6th-27th, state-wide ACT for juniors on March 21st and KOSSA testing on March 23rd.

Principal Kelsch stated the senior trip plans were finalized for April 2nd-6th to NYC. He stated 18 seniors and four chaperones were confirmed to participate and that seniors had a couple of fundraisers remaining for the trip to be paid in full.

### **3.2. Superintendent's Report**

#### **Rationale:**

Superintendent, Lisa McCane reported the district was awarded a Read to Achieve Grant in the amount of \$50,000 to implement the elementary reading intervention program. However, the district did not receive a 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant citing only four new grants were awarded and the others were continuations or expansions.

Superintendent McCane stated the district is collaborating with Mason County Schools on a Workforce Skills Initiative Grant that would add \$2.3 million in facility renovations and upgrades and \$1 million in new industry standard equipment to the Mason County Area Technology Center. She stated Augusta Independent has approximately 18 students who attend the center.

The board learned the last day of school for students is May 26th and graduation will be that evening at 7:00 p.m. Superintendent McCane reported the district has closed two days for inclement weather and four days for illness and there would be 173 days student attendance days.

Superintendent McCane provided a legislative update to the board on the Charter School HB 520, Neighborhood School HB 151, Homeschoolers Play Sports HB 58, and the Calendar SB 50. She stated the general assembly only had a few days remaining until the end of the legislative session, but there would likely be several new education laws.

Superintendent McCane stated KSBA will conduct school board team training in-district on June 8th from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on Ethics and Superintendent Evaluation and September 14th from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on Finance. In addition, the New Board Member Orientation will be conducted for the two new school board members.

Superintendent McCane informed board members the newly appointed Editor of the Ledger Independent newspaper and Augusta Independent alumni member, Mary Ann Kearns was unable to be this year's graduation guest speaker and suggested newly elected State Representative, John Sims, Jr.

### 3.3. Personnel

Rationale:

Classified Resignation

Rebecca Hargett: School Nurse, Effective March 3rd, 2017

### 3.4. Attendance/Enrollment

Rationale:

Enrollment P-12: 305

Enrollment K-12: 285

January Attendance: 92.43 %

Overall Attendance: 95.25%

### 3.5. Citizens

### 3.6. Board Members

Rationale:

Board Member, Shawn Hennessey asked for clarification regarding availability of a bus for the archery team and Board Member, Dionne Laycock expressed concern about the lack of meal variety citing the recent resignation of a cafeteria employee.

## 4. Business Action/Discussion Items

**Order #17-349 - Motion Passed:** passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

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

### 4.1. Approve Monthly Budget Report

Rationale:

General Fund

Revenue receipts through February totaled over \$1,182,000.

Local Revenue: The district generated over \$227,000 in property taxes, over \$78,000 in utility taxes, \$15,400 in motor vehicle taxes, \$14,600 in PSC taxes, and \$2,300 in delinquent property taxes. Tuition generated \$3,300, while we have received \$2,600 in miscellaneous revenue and \$2,300 for bus rental. The fitness center has collected almost \$2,300 in dues.

State Revenue: SEEK funding accounted for over \$822,000, while \$4,100 was received for revenue in lieu of taxes from the state.

Federal Revenue: \$6,300 has been received in Medicaid reimbursement.

Expenditures through eight months were \$1,033,000, about \$40,000 less than through the same period last year.

School Budget: The school's budget is \$19,750. Approximately \$11,400 was spent, with another \$1,000 obligated. Copying and printing costs totaled \$5,500,

general supply expenses totaled \$2,500, and technology supplies totaled \$1,400, while dues and fees accounted for \$1,300.

Maintenance Budget: Expenses totaled \$151,500 through February. Expenses included \$49,600 on utilities and services, nearly \$48,000 on salaries and benefits, \$29,400 for property insurance, \$16,000 on repairs and professional services, \$7,500 on general supplies, and \$1,500 on equipment. 60% of the maintenance budget has been utilized.

Transportation Budget: Through February, costs were at approximately \$53,000. \$30,500 was expended on salaries and benefits, \$6,600 on repair parts, \$5,200 was expended on fleet insurance, \$5,700 on diesel fuel, \$4,000 on repairs and maintenance, and \$800 on supplies/services/fees. 54% of the transportation budget has been utilized.

For the general fund, receipts exceeded expenditures by about \$149,000 through February.

Special Revenue Fund

Grant funding is on target with regards to the budget for current year grants.

Food Service Fund

Food service receipts totaled approximately \$111,000 through February. \$96,500 was received for federal program reimbursement, while \$14,500 was from local revenue sources. Expenditures through February totaled \$115,000. Approximately \$67,000 was expended on food and supplies, \$46,500 was for salaries and benefits, and \$1,300 for rental equipment. Through February, expenditures were about \$2,500 more than through the same period last year. The food service balance as of February 28 was -\$3,783, and \$1,100 improvement from last month.

**Order #17-350 - Motion Passed:** Approve Monthly Budget Report 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	Absent

#### **4.2. Approve Monthly Facilities Report**

Rationale:

The Energy Management Report through the January billing period compares the current monthly usage to the 3-year (FY10-FY12) historical average baseline usage for the same month. During January, the district had a decrease in energy consumption of 159,357 kBTU (31.9%) which avoided approximately \$2,107 in energy charges. Through January-YTD, the district has used 62,540 (\$5,566) fewer kilowatt-hours (kWh) and 2,022 (\$1,921) less ccf of natural gas, for an estimated total energy savings of approximately \$7,487. The district has reduced total energy consumption by 421,450 kBTU (20.5%) through January 2017. Attached is the weather data for Bracken County. It helps to explain why utility bills are higher or lower in some months, as compared to the same months in previous years. As the chart shows, the Average Daily Temperature of January 2017 was milder than all the previous years back to 2006. Here is the website for those who may be interested <http://www.weatherdatadepot.com/>.

Monthly Maintenance:

- Replaced filters on all HVAC units
- Replaced leg press belt in Fitness Center
- Replaced water valve in Family and Consumer Science Classroom
- Repaired ice machine
- Repaired bathroom sprayer

- Installed Administrator Parking sign

District Facilities Plan Progress: District Facilities Director, Barry Caskey facilitated the Public Forum and Local Planning Committee meeting on March 7th. The LPC recommended a draft District Facilities Plan for board approval. The next Public Hearing and LPC meeting is April 18th at 5:30 p.m. and the LPC will recommend the final DFP for board approval.

**Order #17-351 - Motion Passed:** Approve Monthly Facilities Report passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

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

**4.3. Approve District Facilities Plan as Recommended by Local Planning Committee, Request KDE Permission for Public Hearing of DFP, and Appoint Mr. Barry Caskey as Hearing Officer for the Public Hearing.**

**Rationale:**

Superintendent McCane reviewed the Draft District Facilities Plan approved by the Local Planning Committee citing the total value of the district's unmet need which qualifies for a share of monies appropriated by the Legislature (SFCC) exceeds \$14.75 million, compared to the plan from 2012 which was \$8 million. Superintendent McCane stated the plan is based on what the district is entitled to in terms of space needs as compared to a new school in any district, so that the facilities are comparable in quality and size. She said the new District Facilities Plan includes new spaces and renovation of existing building areas which would raise them to that comparable size and quality. She said the board will determine the capital construction priorities for the district, but the plan options for program spaces are in the plan including:

1. New Alternative School area for 10-15 behavioral at-risk students with separate classrooms and support spaces.
2. Renovation to the existing main building, music building, media center, gym and boiler building for functionality, energy saving, ADA, & life safety.
3. Addition of program spaces for Special Ed Self-contained classroom, resource classrooms, second art classroom, cafeteria addition, kitchen addition, new gymnasium, new auditorium, administration addition, and family resource addition.
4. Support Spaces: New central office, new central storage facility, new bus garage, new community education facility.

**Order #17-352 - Motion Passed:** Approve District Facilities Plan as Recommended by Local Planning Committee, Request KDE Permission for Public Hearing of DFP, and Appoint Mr. Barry Caskey as Hearing Officer for the Public Hearing. Passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

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

**4.4. Approve 2017-2018 Technology Plan**

Rationale:

Superintendent McCane stated the technology plan is required to be approved annually by the Board. She explained the plan highlights technology improvements and needs for the district. Improvements for 2016-2017 include introducing additional handheld technologies (Kindle Fires) into the educational environment, replacing aging workstations of teachers, office, and central office staff, and replacing the student computers in the new lab. Needs include updating student computers in the classrooms, introducing additional handheld devices, and replacing existing SMART Boards with BrightLinks.

**Order #17-353 - Motion Passed:** Approve 2017-2018 Technology Plan passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

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

**5. Business Consent Items**

**Order #17-354 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the Business and Consent items as presented passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

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

**5.1. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes**

**5.2. Approve Field Trip Request**

**5.3. Approve 2017-2018 Substitute Teachers**

**5.4. Approve Computer Surplus**

Rationale:

The following computers will be surplus:

10292

10498

10308

10414

10647

10240

**5.5. Approve FMLA Request**

Rationale:

Due to a serious health condition, Terry Bray has requested FMLA beginning January 17th, 2017. He has not yet indicated when he anticipates to return to work.

**5.6. Approve BG4 Closeout R.J. Construction Contract**

**5.7. Approve BG4 Closeout Trace Creek Construction Contract**

**5.8. Approve Bills**

**5.9. Approve Treasurer's Report**

**6. Adjournment**

Rationale:

Mar. 6th-27th: Science Field Testing Elem./MS/HS

Mar. 14th: Spring Pictures

Mar. 16th-17th: No School

Mar. 21st: State-Wide ACT Testing for Juniors

Mar. 23rd: KOSSA Testing

Apr. 2nd-6th: Senior Trip to NYC

Apr. 10th-14th: Spring Break

Apr. 18th @ 5:30 p.m.: Public Hearing/LPC Meeting

Apr. 18th @ 6:00 p.m.: Board Meeting

**Order #17-355 - Motion Passed:** Approve to adjourn the meeting. 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	Absent

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Laura Bach, Chairperson

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Lisa McCane, Superintendent