

Augusta Independent Board of Education

April 18, 2017 6:00 PM
207 Bracken Street
Augusta, KY

Attendance Taken at 6:02 PM:

Present Board Members:

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

1. Call to Order

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 #17-356 - Motion Passed: Approval of the agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Chasity Saunders 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	Yes

2. Student/Staff Recognition

Rationale:

Congratulations to our Academic Achievers

4th Grade: Keeton Bach, Anson Castle, Elijah Cline, Jesse Deiter, Jackson Gaunce, Mallory Jett, Wyatt Linsinbigler, Elizabeth Mattingly, Brandon May, Joseph Roberts, Addyson Scudder, Braxton Vanclave, and Katelyn Wilson.

Poetry Out Loud Program: Angelica Murphy

Staff Recognition

Ms. Phyllis Reed was presented a plaque from the Board of Education for her dedication and service for 28-years to the students, staff, and community of the Augusta Independent School District. Ms. Reed will retire at the end of June.

2.1. *BREAK

3. Approve to Enter Executive Session

Rationale:

The board entered into executive session at 6:12 p.m. to discuss legal services.

Order #17-357 - Motion Passed: Approve Executive Session 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

4. Approve to Exit Executive Session

Rationale:

The board exited executive session at 7:00 p.m.

Order #17-358 - Motion Passed: Approve to Exit Executive Session 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 Yes

5. Approve Hiring Wolnitzek, Rowekamp, & DeMarcus, P.S.C. for School Board Legal Services

Order #17-359 - Motion Passed: Approve Hiring Wolnitzek, Rowekamp, & DeMarcus, P.S.C. for School Board Legal Services 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 Yes

6. Communications

6.1. Principal's Report/Student Achievement

Rationale:

Principal, Robin Kelsch stated preliminary ACT results indicate improvement and testing preparations were underway for the upcoming K-PREP testing window May 8th-19th.

The board members were informed of the 2017-2018 Professional Development plans for teachers that will be conducted on May 30th, 31st, June 1st, and 2nd and the participation of elementary students in the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs Poppies Project to honor World War I veterans.

6.2. Superintendent's Report

Rationale:

Superintendent, Lisa McCane reported the district was awarded an R.C. Durr Foundation Grant in the amount of \$6,000 to be used for science equipment, Chromebooks, and audio equipment and the district would be getting a new recycling trailer through a 75%/25% matching grant from the Bracken County Solid Waste Management. She stated the current trailer is 10-years old and the new trailer would cost \$9,200 and the district's cost would be \$2,300. The district will surplus the old trailer to offset the cost.

Superintendent McCane informed the board of plans to combine the FRYSC and Community Education positions during the 2017-2018 school year. She explained with the retirement of the current Community Education Director, it makes financial and programming sense for the district to combine the positions into one because the grant components cover the same areas. She stated transition

plans are underway and that current FRYSC will continue as FRYSC/Community Education Director. The district will save an estimated \$20,000 annually. Board members were informed KSBAs Board Team training is confirmed for June 8th (Ethics and Superintendent Evaluation) and September 14th (Recallable Nickel) from 4:00-6:00 PM. In addition, the new board members will participate in New Board Member Orientation.

6.3. Superintendent Professional Growth and Effectiveness System Quarterly Review

Rationale:

Superintendent McCane presented a quarterly summary of evidence for each of the seven leadership standards and indicators as part of the Superintendent's Professional Growth and Effectiveness System.

6.4. Personnel

Rationale:

Classified Hire

Lou Ann Perkins: School Nurse, LPN (Full-time)

6.5. Attendance/Enrollment

Rationale:

Enrollment P-12: 302

Enrollment K-12: 283

March Attendance: 92.98 %

Overall Attendance: 95.02%

6.6. Citizens

6.7. Board Members

Rationale:

Board Chairwoman, Laura Bach recommended not having student recognition during the month of April and May due to numerous spring activities and extracurricular events conflicting with the board meetings.

7. Business Action/Discussion Items

7.1. Approve Monthly Budget Report

Rationale:

Revenue receipts through March totaled \$1,308,000.

Local Revenue: We generated nearly \$230,000 in property taxes, over \$93,000 in utility taxes, \$18,800 in motor vehicle taxes, \$14,700 in PSC taxes, and \$2,300 in delinquent property taxes. Tuition generated \$5,200, while we have received \$2,600 in miscellaneous revenue and \$2,600 for bus rental. The fitness center has collected just under \$3,000 in dues.

State Revenue: SEEK funding accounted for \$924,000, while \$4,600 was received for revenue in lieu of taxes from the state.

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

Expenditures through the third quarter were \$1,189,000, about \$22,000 less than through the same period last year.

School Budget: The school's budget is \$19,750. Through March, \$13,000 was spent, with another \$660 obligated. Copying and printing costs totaled \$6,500, general supply expenses totaled \$2,900, technology supplies totaled \$1,400, while dues and fees also accounted for \$1,400.

Maintenance Budget: Expenses totaled over \$168,000 through March. Expenses included \$57,000 on utilities and services, \$54,800 on salaries and benefits, \$29,400 for property insurance, \$17,000 on repairs and professional services, \$8,300 on general supplies, and \$1,500 on equipment. 69% of the maintenance budget has been utilized.

Transportation Budget: Through March, costs were at approximately \$58,000. \$34,400 was expended on salaries and benefits, \$7,200 on diesel fuel, \$6,700 on repair parts, \$5,200 was expended on fleet insurance, \$4,000 on repairs and maintenance, and \$800 on supplies/services/fees. 58% of the transportation budget has been utilized.

For the general fund, receipts exceeded expenditures by approximately \$119,000 through March.

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 \$130,000 through March. \$113,000 was received for federal program reimbursement, while \$16,800 was from local revenue sources. Expenditures through March totaled \$131,000. Approximately \$77,000 was expended on food and supplies, \$52,200 was for salaries and benefits, and \$1,300 for rental equipment. Through March, expenditures were about \$5,000 more than through the same period last year. The food service balance as of February 28 was -\$914, an approximate \$2,800 improvement from last month.

The district will not participate in the Summer Lunch Program. Once the food service department budget is solvent, the district will reinstate the program. We anticipate participation summer 2019.

School Activity Fund

The report for the school activity fund is actually as of February 28, as the March report was not yet able to be completed. The ending balance for the school activity fund was \$50,623. The attached report shows the various account balances as of 2/28/17. The largest account balance was faculty enhancement with \$6,400. The Class of 2018 had \$5,900, while student enhancement ended February with \$5,700.

Order #17-360 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Budget Report passed with a motion by Mrs. Chasity Saunders 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

7.2. Approve Monthly Facilities Report

Rationale:

The Energy Management Report during February, indicated the district had a decrease in energy consumption of 158,639 kBTU (40.7%) which avoided approximately \$2,456 in energy charges. Through February-YTD, the district has used 79,781 (\$7,101) fewer kilowatt-hours (kWh) and 2,992 (\$2,842) less ccf of natural gas, for an estimated total energy savings of approximately \$9,943. The district has reduced our total energy consumption by 580,089 kBTU (23.7%) through February 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 February 2017 was milder than all the previous years back to 2000.

Monthly Maintenance:

- New lights installed in high school math classroom
- Phone lines repaired by Windstream
- Door and hinges installed in middle school math classroom by Door Shop
- HVAC system in library repaired by Sharp HVAC
- Replaced pad on machine in Fitness Center
- Replaced belt on machine in Fitness Center

District Facilities Plan Progress: The Local Planning Committee's Public Hearing was held prior to the board meeting at 5:30 P.M. to allow final comments from the community on the District Facilities Plan.

Order #17-361 - 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	Yes

7.3. Approve Local Planning Committee Public Hearing Minutes

Order #17-362 - Motion Passed: Approve Local Planning Committee Public Hearing Minutes 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	Yes

7.4. Approve District Facilities Plan

Rationale:

The Local Planning Committee recommended the draft District Facilities Plan for board approval.

Order #17-363 - Motion Passed: Approve District Facilities Plan 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

7.5. Approve BG-5 Project Closeout

Rationale:

The BG-5 project closeout is for the 2016 renovation projects.

Order #17-364 - Motion Passed: Approve BG-5 Project Closeout 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	Yes

7.6. Approve Family Medical Leave Act Request

Rationale:

Renee McClanahan, Consumer Science Teacher has submitted a Family Medical Leave Act request for the birth of a child.

Order #17-365 - Motion Passed: Approve Family Medical Leave Act Request passed with a motion by Mrs. Chasity Saunders 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

7.7. Attorney/Legal Representation

Rationale:

Augusta Independent School Board Attorney, Don Ruberg indicated if residency/enrollment issues could not be resolved between Augusta Independent and Bracken County, a conflict of interest existed in his representation of both districts in the matter. Therefore, each district would need to obtain separate counsel to advise them on residency/enrollment issues. The board discussed Legal Representation Options during Executive Session.

7.8. Echo Hall Building Use

Rationale:

Superintendent McCane informed the board of an upcoming Echo Hall Meeting scheduled on April 21st at 7:30 P.M. at the Augusta Community Center. She stated Echo Hall was once part of the Augusta Methodist College Campus and had historical significance to the school district. Furthermore, the Augusta Rotary Club requested the Augusta Independent School Board's input if and how the district could use the building, if it is restored. She stated plans to attend the meeting and share the board's input.

8. Business Consent Items

Order #17-366 - 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

8.1. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

8.2. Approve Fundraiser

8.3. Approve Surplus Item

Rationale:

Surplus Recycling Trailer (The sale of the old trailer will be used to offset the 25% grant match for the new trailer)

8.4. Approve Non-Public Transportation Contract for 2016-2017

8.5. Approve Bills

8.6. Approve Treasurer's Report

9. Adjournment

Rationale:

- Apr. 18th @ 5:30 p.m. Local Planning Committee/Public Hearing
- April 21st @ 7:30 p.m.: Save Echo Hall Meeting at Community Center
- Apr. 22nd @ Eugene Groves Memorial Scholarship Fundraiser 4:00-7:30 @ Community Center
- May 1st-5th: Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 8th-19th: KPREP Testing Window
- May 11th @ 6:00 p.m.: Board Meeting

Order #17-367 - Motion Passed: Approve to adjourn the meeting. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Julie Moore 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

Laura Bach, Chairperson

Lisa McCane, Superintendent