

Augusta Independent Board of Education

October 19, 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
Mrs. Chasity Saunders

1. Call to Order

Rationale:

Hats Off to A.I.S. Middle School High Attendance Day Winners!
98.55%

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 #17-404 - Motion Passed: Approval of the agenda 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

2. Student Recognition

Rationale:

Congratulations to our Academic & Athletic Achievers!

Preschool: Averii Brewer, Isabella Brooks, Jazlyn Curtis, Ruby Eades, Emma Goebel, Levi Gordley, Lilley Gulley, Karis Hargett, Halie Hoffman, Ryker Mofford, Alivia Ormes, Kenyon Peed, Jackson Ross, John Ruff, Hannah Saunders, Marvin Thornton Jr., Leonardo Velazquez.

Volleyball: Maddie Whiteman (All-A Tournament Team)

Cross Country: Conner Snapp - Boys MS Buffalo Trace Conference Champion, 2nd Team All-Area 7 &

Emma Young - Girls MS Buffalo Trace Conference Champion, 1st Team All-Area 7

2.1. *BREAK

3. Communications

3.1. Mason County Area Technical Center Update

Rationale:

Mason County Area Technical Center Principal, Jeremy McCloud updated the board on facility improvements, personnel, data trends, technical programs and upcoming initiatives.

3.2. Principal's Report/Student Achievement

Rationale:

Principal, Robin Kelsch reviewed the 2016-2017 Spring K-Prep data results which indicated improvement in most content areas and grade levels. He stated there is currently no overall scores because of the transition to the new accountability system. The new system will emphasize promotion of student proficiency and reducing gaps with districts given a 1-5 performance rating next year.

Principal Kelsch said the school is promoting DonorsChoose.org as a means to garner donations for classrooms and the website is accessible on the district website. The website lists our teachers and projects and resources needed in the classrooms. He reported teachers have received donations such as classroom desks through DonorsChoose.org in the past.

The board learned Alison Bach's 4th grade class initiated a community service learning project to create a "Helping Hands Community Box" to be placed on 2nd Street for a food pantry box. A canned food drive will be conducted to stock the food pantry box and will then be maintained by the community.

3.3. Superintendent's Report

Rationale:

Superintendent, Lisa McCane stated the new recycling trailer purchased with a 25%/75% matching grant from the Bracken County Solid Waste was now on site. She informed board members of district's plans to submit a proposal for a 21st Century Community Learning Center grant and the Rotary Club's interest to add bell tower clock lights as a future community project.

Board members were updated on the state pension reform and charter school legislation.

3.4. Personnel

Rationale:

Certified Substitute Hire

- Carol Williams

3.5. Attendance/Enrollment

Rationale:

Enrollment P-12: 299

Enrollment K-12: 285

September Attendance: 96.79 %

Overall Attendance: 97.11%

3.6. Citizens

3.7. Board Members

4. Business Action/Discussion Items

4.1. Approve Monthly Budget Report

Rationale:

General Fund

Revenue receipts for the first quarter totaled \$327,000.

Local Revenue: Utility taxes generated \$13,800. \$5,200 has been collected for tuition. \$3,800 has been collected in motor vehicle taxes, while \$3,300 has been received from PSC taxes and \$300 received for delinquent property taxes. \$975 in miscellaneous revenue has been collected. The fitness center has collected over \$500 in dues.

State Revenue: SEEK funding accounted for over \$296,000, while \$1,500 was received for revenue in lieu of taxes from the state.

Federal Revenue: \$966 was received for Medicaid reimbursement.

Expenditures through the first three months totaled \$331,000

School Budget: The school's budget is \$19,750. Through September, \$7,300 was spent, with another \$500 obligated. \$1,700 was expended on assessment software, \$2,200 on copying and printing costs, \$1,400 on general supplies, \$875 on dues and fees, and \$800 on technology supplies.

Maintenance Budget: Expenses totaled \$69,000 after three months. Expenses included \$31,000 for property insurance, \$16,600 on salaries and benefits, \$14,000 on utility services, \$4,100 on repairs and maintenance, \$2,400 on general supplies, and \$1,000 on professional services. 27% of the maintenance budget has been utilized.

Transportation Budget: Through September, costs were at approximately \$18,000. \$8,300 was expended on salaries and benefits, \$5,500 on fleet insurance, \$1,800 on diesel fuel, \$545 in repair parts, and \$415 on supplies/services/fees. 17% of the transportation budget has been utilized.

For the general fund, expenditures exceeded receipts by approximately \$4,100.

Special Revenue Fund

Nothing to report at this time.

Food Service Fund

Food service revenue through September totaled \$20,700. \$16,700 was received for federal reimbursement, while \$3,800 was local revenue. Expenses totaled about \$24,400, including \$12,800 on food and supplies, \$9,100 was for salaries and benefits, and \$2,400 on dues and fees. The food service balance as of September 30 was -\$3,685.

Working Budget Adjustment:

Due to taking the compensating tax rate, the working budget revenue was reduced \$12,834 with contingency correspondingly reduced in the same amount.

KDE Budget Reductions Proposal:

As previously reported, the state has requested this year's operating budget be reduced which began on July 1st, by 17.5%. Though the Governor has protected SEEK from any cuts, classrooms will still be impacted - just based on how education is funded. Commissioner Pruitt is trying to make cuts from KDE's portion to have as minimal affect on students as possible. With districts' expected to pay more into CERS (classified retirement system) starting in 2018-2019 (\$20,000 for A.I.S.D.) along with the possibility of a 17% reduction - the State's Budget Director has requested from all state agencies severe unfunded expenses that could be catastrophic. Each school district must, no matter the outcome of the state pension system, each year find additional revenue sources for, as a result in annual increases: salary steps, operational costs, district contributions and other costs. The Commonwealth must realize that local school districts can no longer continue to make up the difference in funding gaps, much less contribute more to the retirement system without increases in revenue.

Clopay Tax Estimate:

Superintendent McCane presented a spreadsheet of the last 8-years of income generated from Clopay property taxes and a 2018 estimate based on 2017 personal property amounts and the increase for the expansion. The amount of assessment value estimated to be added to the tax roll is \$5,512,000, according to PVA, Tracey Florer.

Superintendent McCane stated this will be a nice boost to revenue, but still much less than the district anticipated. She explained if the extra nickel is added, the tax rate may end up being close to the same.

Order #17-405 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Budget Report 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

4.2. Approve Monthly Facilities Report

Rationale:

Monthly Maintenance:

- Kentucky Utilities replaced security light at board office
- Purchased and installed new ice machine
- Repaired gym light
- Repaired shower in referees' locker room
- Repaired volleyball system
- Repaired elevator
- Phizer Mechanical inspected boilers
- Refinished gym floor
- D.W. Fire inspected all fire extinguishers

Order #17-406 - Motion Passed: Approve Monthly Facilities Report 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

4.3. Approve KETS FY17 Technology Activity Report

Rationale:

Annual compliance requirement for district-wide technology usage for Acceptable Use Policy, KETS E-Mail Standards and Americans with Disabilities Act.

Order #17-407 - Motion Passed: Approve KETS FY17 Technology Activity 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

5. Business Consent Items

Order #17-408 - Motion Passed: Approval of the Business and Consent items as presented passed with a motion by Mrs. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mrs. Julie Moore.

Mrs. Laura Bach	Yes
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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 Trip Requests**
- 5.3. Approve Use of Building Request**
- 5.4. Approve Bills**
- 5.5. Approve Treasurer's Report**

6. Adjournment

Rationale:

Oct. 20th: Fire Safety Smoke House K-5th

Oct. 23rd-27th: Red Ribbon Week

Blood Drive Oct. 23d: 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Oct. 28th: Augusta School of Horrors

Oct. 31st: Railroad Safety Program K-12th

Nov. 1st: Drug Prevention Program MS/HS

Nov. 3rd: Halloween Social

Nov. 9th: Winter Sports Pictures & Board Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.

Nov. 10th: Veterans' Day Program @ 10:00 a.m. & Orange and Black Night

Order #17-409 - 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 Yes

Laura Bach, Chairperson

Lisa McCane, Superintendent