

**Augusta Independent Board of Education**

June 13, 2019 6:00 PM

207 Bracken Street

Augusta, KY

**Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM:**

Present Board Members:

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

Absent Board Members:

Mrs. Laura Bach

**1. Call to Order**

**Rationale:**

- 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 #19-522 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mr. Shawn Hennessey.

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

**2. Communications**

**2.1. Principal's Report/Student Achievement**

**Rationale:**

Principal Robin Kelsch informed board members of successful summer programs with the Augusta Art Guild sponsorship of five students' participation in the Maysville Players Drama Camp and Literacy "Critter" Camp at AIS.

The Youth Employment Program has employed approximately 20 area youth ages 17-24 years old at various businesses and AIS this summer, according to Principal Kelsch.

Principal Kelsch updated the board of a Re-Entry Plan for a student expelled during 2017-2018 school year who will re-enter during the 2019-2020 school year.

**2.2. Superintendent's Report**

Rationale:

Superintendent Lisa McCane reported the Global GVBACK Project to Circle H, Inc. bridled success and raised \$2,000 to send 12 students to horse camp July 29th-August 2nd.

Summer Adventures in Reading Program supported by the Dollar General Literacy Grant will use FastForward, a program hailed in brain research during a four week reading program, according to Superintendent McCane. She stated the program will target 1st-4th graders and provide 2.5 hours of intensive reading instruction daily for students with reading scores in the bottom quartile. Superintendent McCane informed the board district officials were meeting with representatives from the GEAR UP Kentucky Program about the possibility of district participation starting during the 2019-2020 school year. The GEAR UP Kentucky Program is a state grant designed to increase the college and technical career program attendance rate of at risk students in low income communities, according to Superintendent McCane. She stated this would bring needed resources, programs and personnel to the district for the middle and high school levels.

### 2.3. Personnel

Rationale:

Resignation

Roger Newton: PE/Health Teacher, Athletic Director and Head Boys' Basketball Coach

Natalie Insko: Middle School English Teacher

Certified Hire

Naomie Krebs Dean: Kindergarten Teacher

Classified Hire

Jason Hinson: PE/Health, Athletic Director and Head Boys' Basketball Coach

### 2.4. Attendance/Enrollment

Rationale:

Overall Attendance 94.59%

May Enrollment P-12: 298 and K-12: 279

Superintendent McCane reported due to anticipated increases in preschool enrollment (26 students), the district may have a waiting list for out-of-district students. The preschool enrollment capacity is 20 and strictly monitored by the state.

### 2.5. Citizens

### 2.6. Board Members

## 3. Business Action/Discussion Items

### 3.1. Approve Monthly Budget Report

Rationale:

May 2019 Budget Report

General Fund

Revenue receipts through May totaled nearly \$1,817,000.

Local Revenue: Year-to-date, \$278,000 was received in property taxes. \$115,000 was received in utility taxes. \$27,000 has been collected in motor vehicle taxes. \$27,000 was collected in tuition, while \$21,000 has been received in PSC taxes. \$6,400 was received for transportation reimbursement. \$3,400 was received for delinquent property taxes, while \$3,000 was received for refunds of

prior year expenditures. More than \$2,200 has been collected for the fitness center. \$1,800 was received in donations.

State Revenue: Approximately \$1,310,000 was received in SEEK funding, while \$5,900 was received for revenue in lieu of taxes from the state.

Federal Revenue: \$8,000 was received for Medicaid reimbursement.

Expenditures through May totaled nearly \$1,622,000.

School Budget: The school's budget is \$20,006. Through May, \$18,700 was expended, with another \$600 obligated. Expenses included \$6,300 on copying and printing costs, \$3,900 on supplemental curriculum materials, \$3,600 on general supplies, \$1,500 for assessment materials, \$1,200 on technology fees/supplies, \$1,000 dues and fees, and \$400 on postage.

Maintenance Budget: Expenses totaled approximately \$226,000 through May.

Expenses included \$77,000 on salaries and benefits, \$76,000 on utility services, \$33,000 for property insurance, \$13,500 on repairs and maintenance, \$15,000 on general supplies, \$6,300 for machinery/equipment, and \$5,700 on professional services/snow removal/fees. 78% of the maintenance budget has been utilized.

Transportation Budget: Through May, costs totaled \$64,700, including \$29,700 on salaries and benefits, \$11,000 on diesel fuel, \$6,000 on fleet insurance, \$6,000 on vehicles, \$4,400 on repair parts, \$4,000 on vehicle repair, and \$2,000 on professional services/supplies/fees. 52% of the transportation budget has been utilized.

For the general fund, receipts exceeded expenditures by \$195,500.

Special Revenue Fund Nothing to report

Food Service Fund

Food service receipts through May totaled \$176,000. \$158,600 was received in federal reimbursement, \$15,000 was collected in local revenue, and \$1,700 from state revenue. Expenses totaled \$137,000 including \$85,400 for food and supplies, \$43,000 for salaries and benefits, \$5,200 on equipment/machinery, \$1,400 on equipment repair/printing costs, and \$1,200 for dues and fees. The food service balance as of May 31 was nearly \$51,500.

**Order #19-523 - Motion Passed:** Approve Monthly Budget Report passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

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

### 3.2. Approve Monthly Facilities Report

Rationale:

Monthly Maintenance:

- Removed and trimmed trees (Elm, Bradford Pear and Maple)
- Removed board office restroom & conference room wallpaper
- Purchased microwave for consumer science classroom
- Replaced glass in gym balcony
- Repaired windshield on Bus 194
- Repaired cafeteria refrigerator
- Prepared gym, building and restrooms for graduation
- Board office restrooms renovations (Starting week of 6/17)
- Security camera upgrades (Waiting on quote)
- Phone system replacement (Waiting on quote)

**Order #19-524 - Motion Passed:** Approve Monthly Facilities Report passed with a motion by Mrs. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

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

### 3.3. Approve First Reading of 2019 Board Policies

Rationale:

Proposed changes reflect new legal requirements, as well as "best practice" recommendations from KSBA.

Please note the following:

- KRS 160.340 requires that board policies be kept up to date by filing annual amendments thereto by August 15.
- Statutes and regulations require local boards as charter school authorizers to have policies in place regarding such regardless of whether there are any charter schools in the district. These policies are included in the update materials.
- At the top of each draft is the legal and/or recommended rationale for the proposed change. In the body of each draft, new language is underlined. Language with strike through is recommended for deletion.

**Order #19-525 - Motion Passed:** Approve First Reading of 2019 Board Policies passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mr. Shawn Hennessey.

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

### 3.4. Approve District Participation in the Emergency Non-Certified School Personnel Program

Rationale:

Superintendent McCane stated the Educational Professional Standards Board offers an option for school district's to emergency certify substitute teachers with less than the 64 college credit hours or with only a high school diploma. She stated many similar districts in rural areas struggle to find qualified substitute teachers even with the minimum requirements and this would allow more options for Augusta Independent.

**Order #19-526 - Motion Passed:** Approve District Participation in the Emergency Non-Certified School Personnel Program passed with a motion by Mrs. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

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

### 3.5. Approve Revised 2019-2020 Tuition Rates

Rationale:

Superintendent McCane stated lowering tuition was a strategy common for Independent districts. She stated increases to district enrollment would provide additional add on funding per student, SEEK funding would be calculated at a higher percentage and affordability for parents/families as key factors to reduce the tuition rate.

The revised tuition rate was recommended at \$200 per child for the 2019-2020 school year.

**Order #19-527 - Motion Passed:** Approve Revised 2019-2020 Tuition Rates passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Chasity Saunders.

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

### 3.6. Approve Classified Instructor III Position

Rationale:

Superintendent McCane stated the position will allow a classified employee holding a bachelor's degree and meeting the criteria for eligibility to obtain an adjunct instructor certificate.

**Order #19-528 - Motion Passed:** Approve Classified Instructor III Position passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

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

### 3.7. Approve Amended Extra Duty, Substitute and Classified Salary Schedules for 2019-2020.

Rationale:

- Added Assistant Athletic Director \$1,000 stipend to be paid out of the district athletic activity fund.
- Added to the Classified Salary Schedule for Instructor III position.

**Order #19-529 - Motion Passed:** Approve Amended Extra Duty, Substitute and Classified Salary Schedules for 2019-2020. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Chasity Saunders.

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

### 3.8. Approve Authorization to Create Full-Time Substitute Certified/Classified Position

Rationale:

Authorizes Superintendent to determine the position and contract specifications to fulfill two critical shortage areas of substitute teacher and bus driver and be cost effective to the district.

**Order #19-530 - Motion Passed:** Approve Authorization to Create Full-Time Substitute Certified/Classified Position passed with a motion by Mr. Shawn Hennessey and a second by Mrs. Dionne Laycock.

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

#### 4. Business Consent Items

**Order #19-531 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the Business and Consent items as presented passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Chasity Saunders.

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

##### 4.1. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

##### 4.2. Approve KSBA Medicaid Billing Contract

**Rationale:**

The fee rate of 8% has remained the same since 2013 and will increase to 9% effective July 1st, 2019.

##### 4.3. Approve A Step Ahead Pediatric Therapy Contract

**Rationale:**

A Step Ahead Pediatric Therapy provides physical therapy services for the district.

##### 4.4. Approve Use of District Transportation for Annual Alumni & Friends Dinner

**Rationale:**

The Augusta Independent Educational Foundation, Inc. will host the Annual Alumni and Friends Dinner on August 31st. The school building will be open from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. for tours, class pictures and the business meeting. Alumni and friends needing transportation to the Beehive Restaurant will be transported by Superintendent McCane in the district's Suburban.

##### 4.5. Approve Use of District Property

##### 4.6. Approve Fundraisers

##### 4.7. Approve Acceptance of Donations

##### 4.8. Approve Bills

##### 4.9. Approve Treasurer's Report

#### 5. Approve Executive Session KRS 61.810 (1) (f)

**Rationale:**

The board entered into Executive Session at 6:29 p.m. to discuss litigation.

**Order #19-532 - Motion Passed:** Approve Executive Session KRS 61.810 (1) (f) passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mr. Shawn Hennessey.

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

**6. Approve to Exit Executive Session 61.810 (1) (f)**

**Rationale:**

The board exited Executive Session at 6:52 p.m.

**Order #19-533 - Motion Passed:** Approve to Exit Executive Session 61.810 (1) (f) passed with a motion by Mrs. Chasity Saunders and a second by Mr. Shawn Hennessey.

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

**7. Approve Meeting Adjournment**

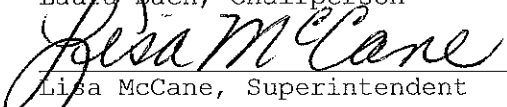
**Rationale:**

June 3 - August 2: Summer Lunch 11:30am-12pm  
June 17: Mondays with Molly 10:30am-11:30am in Cafeteria  
June 17-28: Summer Adventures in Reading  
July 1: Mondays with Molly 10:30am-11:30am in Cafeteria  
July 8-20: Summer Adventures in Reading  
July 15: Mondays with Molly 10:30am-11:30am in Cafeteria  
July 15-18: K-8 Basketball Camp  
July 22: Mondays with Molly 10:30am-11:30am in Cafeteria  
July 24: Kindergarten/ New Student Registration 9am-3pm  
July 25: Board Meeting 6pm  
August 1: Opening Day & Read-I-Fest 4-6pm  
August 7: First Day of School  
August 15: Board Meeting 6pm

**Order #19-534 - Motion Passed:** Approve Meeting Adjournment passed with a motion by Mrs. Dionne Laycock and a second by Mrs. Chasity Saunders.

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

  
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Laura Bach, Chairperson

  
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Lisa McCane, Superintendent