

WYOMING COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, March 14, 2019

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COUNTY OF WYOMING, TO-WIT:

A call for a regular meeting of the Wyoming County Board of Education was held on Thursday, March 14, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. at Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School. Those in attendance were Michael R. Prichard, President; Allan R. Stiltner, Vice President; Betty F. England and Morgan K. "Mike" Davis, Members. Douglas E. Lester, Member, participated by phone. Deirdre A. Cline, Superintendent, was also in attendance. The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

1. Local School Improvement Council: Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School
2. Individuals or Groups of the Community at Large Wishing to Address the Board
3. 2019-2020 School Calendar: Public Hearing #2
4. Consent Agenda
 - A. Minutes, Board of Education Meeting, March 4, 2019
 - B. Extracurricular, Special, Fundraising, and Bus Requests
 - C. Payment of Invoices
5. School Safety and Security
6. Consideration of Application and Contract for Establishment of a Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps
7. WVU Extension Service: 2018 Yearly Program Review
8. Personnel List
9. Superintendent's Report
10. Items for Future Agendas and Announcements

Mr. Prichard called the meeting to order.

Local School Improvement Council: Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School:

Mr. Prichard asked Mrs. Cline to present regarding Local School Improvement Council (LSIC): Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School.

Mrs. Cline said she was excited to be at Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School and asked Mrs. Brenda Shumate, Principal, to address the Board.

Mrs. Shumate introduced all members of the LSIC to the Board. She asked 1st grade student Titus West to give the invocation.

The Board, along with those in attendance, then recited the Pledge of Allegiance, led by students of Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School.

Gracie Bower, student, then sang the National Anthem.

Mrs. Shumate reviewed General Summative Assessment scores, comparing Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School's scores to those of Wyoming County's and the State's. She said she is extremely proud of the students and staff regarding the test scores. She said the ELA scores are excellent, and while the math scores are not bad, she wants to see those increase. Mrs. Shumate said a main focus this year is on attendance. She said not having an attendance rate to meet the State standard is not acceptable, and a lot of new incentives have been put into place to increase attendance. She reviewed STAR benchmark assessments for all students with the Board members.

Teachers shared goals and new concepts that have been implemented to help student achievement. Mrs. LeaAnn Laxton, Title I teacher, said the amount of parent involvement is phenomenal. She said there are parent volunteers in the school every day. She said parent involvement is key to a successful school.

A number of parents provided the Board with a parent's perspective of Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School. All gave praise to the staff for their tremendous hard work and dedication.

Mrs. Cline thanked Mrs. Shumate and the staff of Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School for the great job they are doing for their students.

Mr. Prichard also thanked Mrs. Shumate for a job well done and for hosting the Board meeting.

Individuals or Groups of the Community at Large Wishing to Address the

Board: Mr. Prichard asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Board. There were no Individuals or Groups of the Community at Large Wishing to Address the Board.

2019-2020 School Calendar: Public Hearing #2: Mr. Prichard asked Mrs. Cline to present regarding the 2019-2020 School Calendar: Public Hearing #2.

Mrs. Cline said the Board is required to have 2 public hearings regarding the school calendar each year. She said the calendar to be discussed was that of the next school year, 2019-2020. Mrs. Cline asked Ms. Cooke to address the Board regarding the school calendar.

Ms. Cooke provided the Board with 3 proposed calendars for the coming school year. She reviewed the calendars with the Board Members. She said if the public comes forward with any concerns or feedback concerning calendars it will be taken into consideration. She said there are no individuals present concerning the calendars. Ms. Cooke said all employee votes have to be in by Monday, March 18, 2019.

Mrs. Cline said she appreciated that Wyoming County still allows employees to vote on the school calendar, as that is not the case in many counties. She said there are a large number of requirements from the West Virginia State Department of Education on making a school calendar.

There was a thorough discussion regarding school calendars.

Consent Agenda: A. Minutes, Board of Education Meeting, March 4, 2019: Mr. Prichard asked Mrs. Cline to present regarding Consent Agenda: A. Minutes, Board of Education Meeting, March 4, 2019.

Mrs. Cline recommended the Minutes, March 4, 2019, as presented, with the noted change.

B. Extracurricular, Special, and Bus Requests: Mrs. Cline, Superintendent, said she recommended the Extracurricular, Special, and Bus Requests as follows:

1) A fundraising request from Baileysville Elementary and Middle School to sell Knickerbocker pictures to raise funds for the 8th grade class;

2) A fundraising request from Baileysville Elementary and Middle School to sell Krispy Kreme doughnuts to raise funds for the 8th grade class;

3) A fundraising request from Baileysville Elementary and Middle School to sell flowers to raise funds for track and field;

4) A fundraising request from Baileysville Elementary and Middle School to sell t-shirts to raise funds for the Kindergarten class;

5) A fundraising request from Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School to have a Father/Daughter Dance to raise funds for the Spring Fling;

6) A fundraising request from Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School to sell pepperoni rolls to raise funds for the Spring Fling;

7) A fundraising request from Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School to have a Spring Fling Dance;

8) A fundraising request from Glen Fork Elementary and Middle School to have a hotdog sale to raise funds for the Spring Fling;

9) A request from Renae Angel for a professional day on March 15, 2019, to attend the math conference at Stonewall Jackson;

10) A request from Brittany Kelly for a professional day on March 22, 2019, to attend the Battle of the Books held by Wyoming County Schools at Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College in Saulsville;

11) A request from Randall Peterson for a professional day on March 15, 2019, to attend the math conference at Stonewall Jackson;

12) A fundraising request from Oceana Middle School to sell Tupperware to raise funds for Student Council;

13) A request from Angela Dameron for her son to attend school out of district, transferring from Oceana Middle School to Pineville Middle School for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year;

14) A fundraising request from Westside High School to sell fan cloth to raise funds for the softball team;

15) A fundraising request from Westside High School to sell Krispy Kreme doughnuts to raise funds for the sophomore class;

16) A fundraising request from Westside High School to sell signs on the softball field to raise funds for the softball team;

17) A fundraising request from Westside High School to have a hog hunt raffle to raise funds for the softball team;

18) A bus request from Wyoming East High School to take 9th - 12th grade boys on the basketball team to a game at the Brushfork Armory in Bluefield on March 6, 2019, with funding from the boys' basketball funds to cover the cost;

19) A request from Elizabeth Bailey for a professional day on March 15, 2019, to attend the math conference at Stonewall Jackson;

20) A request from LeAnn Biggs for a professional day on March 15, 2019, to attend the math conference at Stonewall Jackson;

21) A fundraising request from Berlin McKinney Elementary School to have a Bike-a-Thon to raise funds for the preschool class;

22) A request from Karen Houck for two professional days on March 7-8, 2019, to attend the Girls' State Basketball Tournaments in Charleston as coach of the cheerleaders;

23) A request from Katherine Cook for a professional day on March 15, 2019, to attend the math conference at Stonewall Jackson;

24) A request from Natalie and Dexter Carver, Jr., for their child to attend school out

of district, transferring from Herndon Consolidated Elementary and Middle School to Pineville Elementary School for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year;

25) A request from Kimberly Harrison for a professional day on February 12, 2019, to accompany students from Westside High School who are participating in the County Social Studies Fair held at Pineville Elementary School;

26) A bus request from Westside High School to take 11th grade student to the career fair at Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College in Saulsville on March 28, 2019, with funding from GEAR Up funds to cover the cost;

27) A fundraising request from Westside High School to have Little Miss Renegade Softball to raise funds for the softball team;

28) A fundraising request from Westside High School to sell plants and flowers to raise funds for the track team;

29) A fundraising request from Wyoming East High School to sell t-shirts to raise funds for track and field;

30) A fundraising request from Wyoming East High School to sell pepperoni rolls to raise funds for track and field;

31) A bus request from Wyoming County Career and Technical Center to take students to Skills USA at Fairmont State University on March 22, 2019, with funds from Skills USA to cover the cost;

32) A bus request from Wyoming County Career and Technical Center to take students to the 2019 Construction and Design Industries Expo at the Charleston Civic Center in Charleston on March 20, 2019;

33) A request from Frankie Thomas for a professional day on March 20, 2019, to accompany students to the 2019 Construction and Design Expo in Charleston;

34) A request from Leoda Francis for a professional day on March 20, 2019, to accompany students to the 2019 Construction and Design Expo in Charleston;

35) A request from Leoda Francis for a professional day on March 22, 2019, to accompany students to the Skills USA Competition at Fairmont State University;

36) A request from Vicky Belcher for a professional day on March 22, 2019, to accompany students to the Skills USA Competition at Fairmont State University;

37) A request from Ruth Shrewsbury for a professional day on March 22, 2019, to accompany students to the Skills USA Competition at Fairmont State University;

38) A request from Sherry Younce for a professional day on March 22, 2019, to accompany students to the Skills USA Competition at Fairmont State University;

39) A request from Dan McKinney for a professional day on March 22, 2019, to accompany students to the Skills USA Competition at Fairmont State University;

40) A request from Jason Fortner for a professional day on March 22, 2019, to accompany students to the Skills USA Competition at Fairmont State University;

41) A request from Ashley Jones for three professional days April 3-5, 2019, to attend the West Virginia Speech and Hearing Conference in Bridgeport; and

42) A request from Elizabeth Dean-Mahon for three professional days April 3-5, 2019, to attend the West Virginia Speech and Hearing Conference in Bridgeport.

C. Payment of Invoices: Mrs. Cline recommended the Payment of Invoices as Presented.

After a thorough discussion, Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stiltner, to approve Consent Agenda, Items A., B., and C., as presented and recommended by Mrs. Cline, Superintendent. Passed with a 5-0 vote.

School Safety and Security: Mr. Prichard asked Mrs. Cline to present regarding School Safety and Security.

Mrs. Cline said Mr. Jeffrey Hylton, Director of Safety and Transportation, had asked her to let the Board know he is continuing with his safety walkthroughs and checking drill

logs. She said he is staying vigilant on these important issues. She said the tabletop exercise for Westside High School is likely being moved up from May to April, and she will notify Board members as soon as a date is set.

There was a thorough discussion regarding School Safety and Security.

Consideration of Application and Contract for Establishment of a Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps: Mr. Prichard asked Mrs. Cline to present regarding Consideration of Application and Contract for Establishment of a Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

Mrs. Cline said Mrs. Kathy Brunty, CIS Coordinator, who also works with a number of other programs in the County, has received a grant to fund a Jr. ROTC program. She said this is not through the Community in Schools program, but through other sources Mrs. Brunty has worked with. She said this is a great program for young men and women that will boost self-esteem and help them stay in school. She said this is also a great program to help kids stay away from drugs.

Mr. Stiltner asked Mrs. Cline what the cost would be to the Board after all grants and funds are received.

Mrs. Cline said Mrs. Brunty has already received \$175,000 to start the program next year, with the promise that funding will continue. She said she was not sure about funding past the first 3 years, but it was a great opportunity for Wyoming County students.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Lester made the motion, seconded by Mrs. England, to approve completing the application and establishing a contract for a Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps, as presented and recommended by Mrs. Cline, Superintendent. Passed with a 5-0 vote.

WVU Extension Service: 2018 Yearly Program Review: Mr. Prichard asked Mrs. Cline to present regarding the WVU Extension Service: 2018 Yearly Program Review.

Mrs. Cline asked Mrs. Stephanie Lusk to address the Board.

Mrs. Lusk said the WVU Extension Service is out in the community and provides a lot of great services. She said Extension Services are funded nationally through the USDA and through the State level, as well. She said the Wyoming County Board of Education's Excess Levy also provides funding, along with the Wyoming County Commission. She said for the first time in 5 years the WVU Extension has a fully staffed office of hard working and dedicated employees. Mrs. Lusk introduced all employees and detailed their job descriptions. She said they offer services that include child nutrition, school gardens, and cardiac programs. She said the Wyoming County Extension Service, along with other county Extension Services, are required to report all services provided to 3 different audiences to show how the services are impacting the communities in which they work.

There was a thorough discussion regarding Energy Express, 4-H Camp, and additional services provided by the WVU Extension Service.

Personnel List: Mr. Prichard asked Mrs. Cline to present the Personnel List.

Mrs. Cline recommended the Personnel List as presented.

PROFESSIONAL:

ELEMENTARY TEACHERS

A. Recommended for Appointment:

Phyllis Canada, from Kindergarten Teacher, Pineville Elementary School, to
Preschool Special Needs Teacher, Herndon Consolidated Elementary and
Middle School, effective 2019-2020 school year

SPECIAL SERVICES

A. Correction in Position--Retirement:

Judy K. McGraw, Special Education Teacher, Pineville Elementary School,
effective June 30, 2019 (Listed on March 4, 2019 Personnel List as
Elementary Education)

SERVICE PERSONNEL:

AIDES

A. Recommended for Appointment:

Deborah Diane Bailey, from Aide/Early Childhood Classroom Assistant Teacher, Preschool, Herndon Consolidated Elementary and Middle School, to Aide/Early Childhood Classroom Assistant Teacher, Kindergarten, Herndon Consolidated Elementary and Middle School, effective March 18, 2019

BUS OPERATORS

A. Recommended for Appointment:

Mary Dawson, Bus Operator, Tutoring/Activity Run, Westside High School, AS NEEDED, Tuesdays ONLY, Mouth of Coal Mountain, Hanover, Mingo County Line, McDowell County Line, effective March 8, 2019

Mary Wykle, Bus Operator, Tutoring/Activity Run, Westside High School, AS NEEDED, Tuesdays ONLY, Town of Oceana, Kopperston, Matheny, Glen Fork and Sabine, effective March 8, 2019

Michael E. Cook, Bus Operator, Tutoring/Activity Run, Wyoming East High School, AS NEEDED, Tuesdays ONLY, Mullens, Moran Ave., Towards Stephenson, Amigo, Mouth of Wyco Hollow, effective March 8, 2019

Lola Marsh, Bus Operator, Tutoring/Activity Run, Wyoming East High School, AS NEEDED, Tuesdays ONLY, Itmann, Alpoca, Herndon, Top of Herndon Mountain, effective March 8, 2019

J. Starr Dalton, Bus Operator, Tutoring/Activity Run, Wyoming East High School, AS NEEDED, Tuesdays ONLY, New Richmond, Welch Road, East Pineville, Rock View, effective March 8, 2019

SUBSTITUTES

Bus Operators

Roger L. Davis, effective March 11, 2019

Jerry Lusk, remove from list, as per his request

After a thorough discussion, Mr. Davis made a motion, seconded by Mrs. England, to approve the Personnel List, as presented and recommended by Mrs. Cline, Superintendent. Passed with a 5-0 vote.

Superintendent's Update: Mr. Prichard asked Mrs. Cline to present regarding the Superintendent's Update.

Mrs. Cline provided the Board with handouts of upcoming events.

Items for Future Agendas and Announcements: Mr. Prichard asked for any Items for Future Agendas and Announcements.

Mr. Prichard reminded members of the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting, which is to be held on Monday, March 25, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., at Wyoming East High School.

Mr. Lester made a motion, seconded by Mrs. England, to adjourn. Passed with a 5-0 vote.