

MINUTES OF THE LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Monday, March 23, 2020

Date: March 23, 2020

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Where Held: Administration Building

Presiding Officer: James Flesher, President

Members Present: Mike Holden – via Phone, Paul Derico – via Phone, Phyllis Hinterer – via Phone, Connie S. Riffle – via Phone

Dr. Robin Lewis, Superintendent

(*Votes were 4-0 due to phone connection with Mr. Holden)

Regular Meeting Attendance: Staff Members: Rex Helmick, Terry Sprouse, Gerry Paugh, Bill Tucker, Aaron Radcliff, Jeff Tidd, Melissa Riley –via phone, Monika Weldon – via phone

The board on motion duly seconded, and unanimously approved, unless otherwise noted, the following action was taken and business transacted.

The meeting was called to order by James Flesher, Board President, at 6:06 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Terry Sprouse, Bus Operator.

There were no personnel achievements/recognition and student achievements.

There were no agenda adjustments.

Bill Tucker, Career Coordinator, gave a presentation on the Career Coach at Lewis County High School.

Aaron Radcliff and Jeff Tidd gave a presentation on the Virtual Schools Policy.

After requesting and making corrections to the minutes of the meetings held on February 24, 2020, February 26, 2020 and March 4, 2020, on motion by Connie S. Riffle and seconded by Phyllis Hinterer, the minutes were approved as corrected, with a 4-0 vote.

On motion by Phyllis Hinterer and seconded by Connie S. Riffle, the board approved the following consent agenda item, with a 4-0 vote:

A. Use of Buildings and Grounds:

1. Helen S. Derico, Jane Lew High School Alumni Association, luncheon And dinner for alumni, cafeteria, kitchen and restrooms, June 12, 2020,

5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., and June 13, 2020, 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

On motion by Connie S. Riffle and seconded by Phyllis Hinterer, the board tabled the following consent agenda item, with a 4-0 vote:

- B. Out of State Field Trip Request:
 - 1. Sonja James, Roanoke Elementary School 1st and 2nd grades, to Pittsburg Zoo, Pittsburg, P.A., May 7, 2020.

Dr. Lewis discussed COVID-19.

Rex Helmick appeared before the board and individuals present as a delegation to discuss transportation issues and the Tri-County Runs.

Terry Sprouse appeared before the board and individuals present as a delegation to discuss transportation issues.

Gerry Paugh appeared before the board and individuals present as a delegation to discuss transportation issues.

Dr. Lewis said there was no public comment for Policy 8.2.6 – Extracurricular Transportation.

On motion by Phyllis Hinterer and seconded by James Flesher, the board tabled the following agenda item:

- X. Policy:
 - A. First Reading:
 - 1. Chapter 8.2.6 – Extracurricular Transportation

The following personnel have the recommendation of the Superintendent.

On motion by Connie S. Riffle and seconded by Phyllis Hinterer, the board approved the following requests, with a 4-0 vote:

- a. **Billie Holman**, rescind hire as Day-to-Day Substitute Secretary on March 9, 2020.
- b. **Janice Collins**, approve request for donated days for medical leave February 11-19, 2020.
- c. **Bertha Benedum**, approve request for non-paid medical leave of absence, February 12-18, 2020, and March 3-5, 2020, and donated sick days.
- d. **Loretta Workman**, approve non-paid medical leave of absence, February 21-24, 2020.
- e. **Rachel Smith**, approve request for non-paid medical leave of absence, January 6-10, 2020, January 21-31, 2020, and donated sick days.

On motion by Phyllis Hinterer and seconded by Connie S. Riffle, the board employed the following professional personnel, with a 4-0 vote:

- c. **Crystal Smithson**, School Psychologist, effective 2020-2021 school year.
- n. **Joyce Cochran**, Substitute Teacher, effective 2020-2021 school year.

On motion by Connie S. Riffle and seconded by Phyllis Hinterer, the board employed the following service personnel, with a 4-0 vote:

- c. **Michael Scott Taylor**, Bus Operator, Alum Fork, Back Fork, Phillips Fork, Sleeth's Run, effective April 1, 2020.

There were no parent volunteers for approval.

The board received approved meeting requests.

On motion by Paul Derico and seconded by Connie S. Riffle, the board approved the payroll/payment of bills - \$1,110,967.64, with a 4-0 vote.

On motion by Phyllis Hinterer and seconded by Connie S. Riffle, the board approved the February, 2020, monthly financial report, with a 4-0 vote.

On motion by Paul Derico and seconded by Connie S. Riffle, the board approved the Budget Revisions: Supplements (1026-1037) and Transfers (2008-2012), with a 4-0 vote.

The board tabled the following agenda item:

XII. Finance: 4. Property/Flood Insurance Update.

There were no facility/construction updates.

There were no reports.

Dr. Lewis gave a superintendent update on how board meetings safely during the COVID-19 shut down.

Paul Derico had no board comments.

Phyllis Hinterer would like a list of school field trips that were previously approved.

Connie S. Riffle thanked Dr. Lewis and all staff that has helped with feeding children during the shut down.

James Flesher also thanked everyone that has helped feed the students during the shut down.

The following was for board information:

- a. WVDE Grant Awards: Preschool - \$2,000.00; \$67.00.

There will be a special meeting held on Monday, March 30, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building to conduct personnel.

There will be another special meeting held on Wednesday, April 8, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., to conduct personnel Transfer/RIF Hearings.

The first regular meeting in April will be held on Monday, April 13, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building.

There will be a special meeting held on April 21, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., to reconvene the statutory meeting held on March 9, 2020.

The second regular meeting in April will be held on Monday, April 27, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., at the Administration Building.

On motion by Paul Derico and seconded by Connie S. Riffle, the board adjourned at 7:06 p.m., with a 4-0 vote.