

**RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS  
(MINUTES)**

**SPRINGFIELD, KY AUGUST 21, 2017 SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING/WORK  
SESSION**

The Washington County Board of Education met in Special-Called Meeting at Washington County Elementary/Washington County Middle School Library at 5:30 p.m. on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of AUGUST 2017 with the following members present:

- (1) Curtis Hamilton (2) Patsy Lester (3) Jeremy Thompson (4) Carissa Harley  
(5) Sherri Cheser

Board Chairman, Curtis Hamilton, called the meeting to order at approximately 5:30 p.m. Board member Sherri Cheser led pledge of allegiance and board vice-chairman Patsy Lester read the district mission statement. Mr. Hamilton welcomed all in attendance and proceeded with the meeting.

Mr. William Yankey, a member of the community, addressed the board with concerns of how the district spends its funds, math and reading test scores, student attendance and transportation. Mr. Hamilton and Superintendent Dr. J. Robin Cochran offered to meet with Mr. Yankey to discuss his concerns. Mr. Yankey declined the offer.

**Update on Commander Academy**

Chad Willis, principal of Commander Academy and director of pupil personnel gave an update on enrollment for each school and Commander Academy. Enrollment was up at WCHS, NWES but down at WCES and WCMS, but up by 10 students for the district since last year. Commander Academy currently has 22 students, up by six from last year. Enrollment numbers for preschool students can fluctuate plus or minus because of the new age requirement established last year. Our preschool program has opened a second classroom because of the increase in students. Commander Academy's new location (at the old WCES) allows for flexibility. Mr. Willis also highlighted some success stories from Commander Academy. Several students were able secure positions at local businesses and industries. He thanked the Commander Academy staff for the successes. Lastly, Mr. Willis talked to board members about the Commander Virtual Academy. The academy has been used to reach out the homeschool population. Other districts including Taylor County and Green County have virtual programs. The district has had eight students so far commit to the Virtual Academy. The Virtual Academy is at no cost to the family, monthly meetings or conversations are scheduled with each family, and the student can request to come in and get extra help at Commander Academy.

**Legislative Liaison Report**

Board Member Jeremy Thompson reported that the interim joint committee on education recently met. Items discussed were ESSA and SB1. This included some discussion of proposed regulations for SB1. Commissioner Pruitt testified at the meeting, explained the 5 star accountability rating and also notified committee that "College and Career Readiness"

terminology is changing to "Transition Readiness" because they want schools to not only look at and focus on transition from high school to college, but also from primary to intermediate, intermediate to middle, and middle to high school. Commissioner Pruitt advised of goal to reduce achievement gap by 50% by 2030 and increase graduation rates by 2030. Some concerns noted from legislators were the score required on ASVAB test, which doesn't align with military standards and funding for SB1. Senator Higdon questioned the current appearance of over testing to prepare for end of year test. Commissioner Pruitt reminded them that under SB1, on demand writing was reduced and the goal is to allow teachers to just teach and get away from districts ordering test prep books and burdening teachers with test prep. The commissioner stated if teachers are allowed to just teach, students will be prepared for testing. Regarding funding, the Department of Education does not have funds available to do all SB1 requires specifically the costly High School assessments and Industry Certifications.

Treasurer's Report

Board Meeting Date: 8/21/17

Balance Sheet As of July 31, 2017

<b>General Fund</b>		4,494,721.42	
<b>Special Revenue</b>		161,963.89	
<b>District Activity</b>		67,738.43	
<b>Capital Outlay</b>		153,565.37	
<b>Building (FSPK)</b>		354,601.11	
<b>Construction</b>		411,291.42	Net Debt
<b>Debt Service</b>		(928,316.05)	(420,149.57)
<b>Food Service</b>		233,121.54	
<b>Day Care</b>		56,340.38	
<b>Scholarship</b>		14,059.60	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,019,087.11</b>	

General Fund:

General fund received \$590,658 and spent \$289,142 in expenditures.

Special Revenue Fund:

During July special revenue funds provided for \$53,918 of salaries and benefits and \$1,174 for operational expenditures.

District Activity Fund

The District Activity Fund spent \$1,500 during the month of July.

Capital Outlay Fund & Building (FSPK) Fund:

We received \$75,050 in capital outlay funding and \$258,886 in state match FSPK funding. This will be used to offset the debt service for July.

Debt Service Fund:

The amount of principal and interest paid on debt for July was \$928,316.

Food Service Fund:

Total July receipts were \$730 and expenditures totaled \$9,331.

Day Care Fund:

Total July receipts were \$647 and expenditures totaled \$45.

Scholarship Fund:

Total expenditures for the scholarship fund was \$2,300.

Construction Fund:

Board was presented MUNIS reports reflecting a project balance as of the date of the board meeting for the new high school, turn lane, greenhouse and renovation projects.

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Cochran reported that the district had a great start to the beginning of the school year. There have also been positive reports on the new WCHS principal Malissa Hutchins. She reported that she and assistant superintendent Jason Simpson and director of transportation Bob Holderman looked at the bus stops to analyze efficiency with new software that they are still being trained on. The district added Bob O' Link Drive to the bus routes, which is less than a mile to school, because there were 16 students needing to ride the bus to school from there and there are no sidewalks where they can walk safely on. Dr. Cochran told the board members that she and the staff strive for safety and think about the needs of the kids and make sure that all kids are treated with equity. The district has also added bus stops in Mackville and Willisburg based on the software location points. She then reported that district survived the recent solar eclipse and that she had received messages from parents thanking the district for letting them experience the eclipse with their children. She also reported that one pump wasn't working in the water cooling tower at NWES and that the temperature rose in the classrooms, making for a slightly uncomfortable learning and working environment. She thanked Mr. Simpson and the entire maintenance staff for working until late into the night on the pump. The district was able to secure a new pump to replace the one that wasn't working properly. There have been issues with the waste water treatment plant system. Mr. Simpson was in contact with Frankfort and requested someone to be sent to our district for guidance. Two chemists were sent to look at the system. Darnell White, building and grounds maintenance, recently passed his waste water treatment operator exam. He, along with director of maintenance Ray Kelty, Mr. Simpson, the two chemists and Dr. Cochran spent a morning looking at the system. The chemists indicated that it was obvious that district maintenance staff had been doing everything correctly, and that the system was running smoothly. The chemists gave suggestions to improve the system. Mr. Simpson and the maintenance staff have been in contact with a few different companies to design the system based on those suggestions. Lastly, Dr. Cochran reported that the WCHS Commander Football team won their game last Saturday against Campbellsville, and that she is looking forward to more great things happening in the district.

## **Student Learning and Support Services – Action by Consent**

**Bd. #17-119** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved, by a vote of 5-0, the following consent items:

- Approved minutes from July 10, 2017 Professional Learning Training Session/Special-Called Meeting/Work Session and July 17, 2017 Executive Session/Regular Session.
- Approved payment of bills as presented.
- Approved the following submitted donations made to Washington County Schools:
  - Donation to WCHS FFA from Mark Riley; \$150 for FFA jackets/FFA travel
  - Donation to WCMS from J&J Inks; \$240.00 for 8<sup>th</sup> grade NY Trip
  - Donation to WCHS Volleyball from Mark & Denita Simms; Volleyball concession items (\$408.53)
  - Donation to NWES from J&J Inks; \$300.00 for reading campaign
  - Donation to NWES FRYSC from Joy Sunday School Class; \$50
  - Donation to WCES FRYSC from Joy Sunday School Class; \$50
  - Donation to WCHS Golf Team from Parkview Home Center; \$50
  - Donation to WCHS Golf Team from Springfield State Bank; \$250
  - Donation to NWES from The Kula Foundation; \$0.81
  - Donation to WCES FRYSC from Heavenly Treasures; \$150
  - Donation to Washington County Schools from WAGS Group; \$1,000 to supplies for special needs students
  - Donation to WCHS from The Kula Foundation; \$1.31
  - Donation to WCHS Golf Team from Springfield Lions Club; \$100
- Approved School Activity Fund Fundraisers for NWES as presented.
- Approved School Activity Fund Fundraisers for WCHS as presented.
- Approved Certification for the 2017-2018 School Year Constitutionally Protected Prayer in Public Schools.
- Approved Addendum to Contract Memorandum of Agreement for Special Education Services Between Washington County Schools and Central Kentucky Head Start.
- Approved Central Kentucky Community Action, Inc., Head Start Contract with Washington County Board of Education.
- Approved Service Agreement between Washington County Board of Education and Maria Wheeler.
- Approved Service Agreement between Washington County Board of Education and Maura Walker.
- Approved Service Agreement between Washington County Board of Education and Cassie Robinson.
- Approved Child Care Food Program Meal Service Agreement With District School Board/School Food Service.

- Approved Lifetouch Yearbook Publication Agreement for WCES.
- Approved Trip Request for the Jr. Beta Club at NWES to attend the Jr. Beta Convention on January 29-30, 2018 as presented.
- Approved Trip Request for NWES 8<sup>th</sup> Grade New York Trip on May 31-June 4, 2018 as presented.
- Approved Trip Request for WCMS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade New York Trip on May 31-June, 2018 as presented.
- Approved Trip Request for the WCHS Volleyball team All 'A' State Competition on September 15-16, 2017.
- Approved adding a line for coach who drives bus to away games \$50 per trip.
- Approved Newspapers in Education Program at The Springfield Sun for \$1,000.00
- Approved WCES music fee as presented.

**Student Learning and Support Services – Action, Potential Discussion**

**Bd. #17-120** – Upon motion of Jeremy Thompson and seconded by Patsy Lester, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 compensating tax rate of 60.2 cents on real property and 61.0 cents for personal property per \$100 of assessed property value.

**Bd. #17-121** – Upon motion of Patsy Lester and seconded by Jeremy Thompson, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 the 2018 Motor Vehicle & Watercraft property tax certification at a property tax rate of 55.0 cents per \$100 of assessed value upon motor vehicles and watercraft for the calendar year of 2018.

**Bd. #17-122** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 final section 6 rollover from FY17 to FY18:  
 NWES \$3,425  
 WCMS \$742  
 WCHS \$9,934  
 WCES \$16,144

**Bd. #17-123** – Upon motion of Carissa Harley and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 Atom Chemical, Inc., to provide monitoring of water treatment chemicals and maintain proper chemical residuals to control and minimize scale, corrosion, biological growth, and foaming for the district \$575 per month – annual cost of \$6,900.

**Bd. #17-124** – Upon motion of Patsy Lester and seconded by Jeremy Thompson, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 change order #1 for the WCES renovation.

**Bd. #17-125** – Upon motion of Carissa Harley and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved new game admission prices for WCHS:

Student Pep Club Athletic Pass - \$25  
Single Adult Athletic Pass - \$75  
Senior Citizen Single Athletic Pass - \$50  
Family Athletic Pass (2 adults up to 3 children) - \$150

General Admission  
13 and up - \$5  
12 and under - \$3

**Bd. #17-126** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Jeremy Thompson, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 Trip Request for 2018 Varsity Baseball Tournament Trip at Fort Walton Beach, Florida from March 31, 2018 through April 7, 2018.

**Bd. #17-127** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Jeremy Thompson, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 Trip Request for 2018 Varsity Softball Tournament Trip at Fort Walton Beach, Florida from March 31, 2018 through April 7, 2018.

**Bd. #17-128** – Upon motion of Jeremy Thompson and seconded by Sherri Cheser, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 the option to make up August 21 (Eclipse Day) as follows:

Option 2: November 7 (Election Day)

**Bd. #17-129** – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn at approximately 6:51 p.m.

**The Board was notified of the following personnel actions:**

**August Personnel Actions**

**Certified Employment:**

Andrea Huber – Substitute Teacher  
Lisa Hess – Substitute Teacher  
Mary Jane O’Bryan - .5 Assistant Principal (NWES)  
Bradley McMurtry – Teacher (NWES)  
Melissa Ferrell – Instructional Coach (WCHS)  
Tracy Abell – Guidance Counselor (WCHS)  
Paige Mattingly – Assistant Principal (WCHS)  
Alexander McRay - .4 Teacher (WCHS)  
Cindy Powell – ESS Daytime Teacher (NWES)

**Classified Employment:**

Jordan Bottoms – Part Time Summer Maintenance

Terry Young - Part Time Summer Maintenance  
Lillian Grigsby – Substitute Childcare Worker  
Lisa Back – District Wide Custodian  
Leslie Burkhead – Substitute Cook/Baker  
Faith Hackworth – District Wide Food Service Cook  
Beverly Escalante - District Wide Food Service Cook

**Extra Services Employment:**

Kim Mattingly – ESS Teacher (WCHS)  
Kim Mattingly – Math Department Head (WCHS)  
Jennifer Elder – ESS Teacher (WCHS)  
Jennifer Elder – English Department Head (WCHS)  
Whitney Bowen – Webmaster (WCMS)  
Eric Sagrecy – Athletic Director (WCHS)  
Lena Bramblett – Assistant Athletic Director (WCHS)  
Adam Blair – Assistant Athletic Director (WCHS)

**Coaches Employment:**

Jerad Curtsinger – Varsity Assistant Football Coach-Special Teams Coordinator (WCHS)

**Classified Contracts Issued:**

Ashley Arnold, Brandon Baker, Barney Bishop, Sue Blair, Bonnie Bond, Michael Bonzo, Richard Buege, Bobbi Burns, Carol Carney, Larry Carney, Pamela Chesser, Harold Chesser, Aaron Dugger, Ray Hagan, Ronnie Huntsberger, Bart Mattingly, John McDaniel, Donna Milburn, Lois Noel, Judy Pinkston, John Rogers, Karen Royalty, Bobby Russell, Bill Spaulding, Mark Speakman, Sherry Speakman, Pamela Taylor, Ike Thompson, Leland Turner, Lynden Turner, Murray Walker, Louise Young, Terry Young

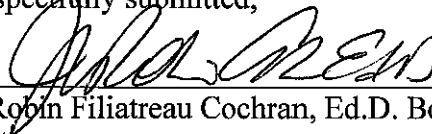
**Resignations:**

Whitney Tingle – Middle School Girls’ Basketball Assistant Coach (WCMS)  
Paige Mattingly – Dean of Instruction (WCHS)

**Work Session**

The Board of Education conducted architect interviews for the school facilities plan.

Respectfully submitted,



J. Robin Filiatreau Cochran, Ed.D. Board Secretary

Approved:

  
Curtis Hamilton, Board Chair