

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF FAYETTE, TO-WIT:

The Board of Education of the County of Fayette, West Virginia, met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. Monday, May 21, 2012, in the George M. Edwards Conference Room of the Board of Education Office, 111 Fayette Avenue, Fayetteville, West Virginia. Those present were:

Pat Gray	President
Steve Bush	Vice-President
David Arritt	
William Arthur	
Leon Ivey	Members
Dwight D. Dials	Superintendent
Dr. Serena Starcher	Associate Superintendent
Ron Cantley II	Director of Operations
Jean Cavalier	Director of Elementary Schools
Mary Ann Freeman	Director of Federal Programs
Paula Fridley	Treasurer
Bob Hollandsworth	Director of Technology
Gary Hough	Director of Transportation
Anna Kincaid-Cline	Director of Secondary Schools
Judy Lively	Director of Attendance
Dr. Linda Palenchar	Director of Special Education
Margaret Pennington	Director of Personnel
David Seay	Director of Child Nutrition
Jackie Mollohan	Executive Secretary

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bush following with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Arthur. Mr. Bush announced Mr. Gray would be arriving later.

At this time Mr. Arritt read a letter from Dr. Marple, State Superintendent of Schools, regarding the appointment of William Arthur to fill Mr. Newman's vacancy until a new member is elected at the primary election in May. Mr. Arritt stated he thought Mrs. Jones should be sworn in at this time according to Dr. Marple's letter.

Mr. Dials stated Lou Jones and Leon Ivey were both elected for four year terms commencing July 1, 2012, and would be sworn in at that time.

RECOGNITIONS/REPORTS:

Anna Kincaid-Cline reported on the Technology Academy and presented videos from each of the participating classes. The 2011-2012 Technology Academy teachers were: Amy Bragg-Ansted Elementary, Alan Dyer-Valley Elementary, Alma Logan-Mount Hope Elementary, Chad Quesenberry-Oak Hill High, Cheryl Smailes-Divide Elementary, Dawn Ellison-Art K-8, Deanna Gill-Nuttall Middle, Greg Minter-Collins Middle, Jessy Miller-Meadow Bridge High, Keith Doherty-Fayetteville High, Mae Kessler-Midland Trail High, Peggy Arnold-Collins Middle, Randy Darnell-Valley High, Roberta McGuire-New River Elementary, Sandra Whitaker-New River Elementary, Tammy Koontz-Fayetteville Elementary, and Todd Wagner-Gauley Bridge Elementary. Randy Darnell's students, Brianna Canterbury, Merissa Simpson, Emily Smallman, and Asa Rowe presented the video they made on the feud between the Hatfields and the McCoys. Following the video Asa Rowe remarked it was a good experience for him and his classmates.

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Mr. Bush applauded the students for their presentation and spoke on the connection the Hatfields and McCoys had with Fayette County. He stated the students did a remarkable job and may someday get into the film business.

Mr. Dials congratulated the students for a job well done and asked the students if they enjoyed doing “hands on” projects and using technology.

The students replied “it makes it more realistic”.

Mr. Gray arrived at approximately 6:30 and Mr. Bush turned the meeting over to him.

Mr. Cantley introduced Margaret Ann O’Neal with United Way. Ms. O’Neal reported on the needs of babies and young mothers in Fayette County that need additional services such as clean diapers and formula. She reported on the alarming statistics of young girls giving birth and the number that do not finish their education. She passed around a simulated baby that was born addicted to drugs, a simulated baby that was born with fetal alcohol syndrome, and a simulated “shaken” baby. She explained the connection of young pregnancies to these babies. Ms. O’Neal stated the goal of the United Way is to start educating students in the second grade and building on their education each grade after. She said their plan is to put money, time and energy on the front end of the child to hopefully achieve better results.

Mr. Hutchins, Mount Hope Elementary Principal, reported on the School Improvement Grant for Mount Hope Elementary School. He presented a video showcasing the students performing a dance which integrates math concepts through movement.

Mr. Cantley updated Board of Education members on the Danese Elementary and Nuttall Middle School closure. He distributed a study completed in 1997 on “Equity in the Fayette County Schools” and quoted the OEPA audit regarding facility problems that were insurmountable. Mr. Cantley also distributed an agenda from the May 15, 2012 meeting with Omega that reviewed Fayette County Schools’ Performance Contract Energy Management Program and bi-weekly construction activities planned for week beginning May 14 – May 25, 2012. He reminded everyone that these projects are being paid for with energy savings and do not require outside support. Mr. Cantley also shared communications regarding costs of roof replacements, coal-fired boiler replacements, Collins Middle fan coil unit replacement, and back flow prevention.

Mr. Gray thanked Mr. Cantley for the report and asked Mrs. Kincaid-Cline about the transitioning for the students at Danese Elementary and Nuttall Middle.

Mrs. Kincaid-Cline reported the schools are participating in joint dances, band concerts, parent night, and parent activities. She also stated representatives from student councils, LSIC’s, and PTO’s have come together to meet and discuss the transition.

Mrs. Cavalier reported Mrs. Altizer from Danese Elementary and Mr. Tokarz from Meadow Bridge Elementary have also been working together planning activities for the students.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

PROPOSED STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013:

Mrs. Fridley distributed information on the budget and explained the revenue and expenditures in the general fund account. (See Attachment)

At approximately 8:00 Mr. Gray called for a recess at Mr. Arritt’s request. The meeting continued at approximately 8:13.

BOARD ACTION:

Upon motion by Mr. Bush, second by Mr. Ivey with a vote of 5 to 0 the following items were approved:

- A. Out-of-State Trip Request – Oak Hill High Health Science Technology Academy (HSTA)
(See Attachments)

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B. Out-of-State Trip Request – Nuttall Middle School (See Attachments)

Mr. Dials reported Ansted Middle School's 6th Grade Trip that was approved at the May 7 meeting changed the date of the trip to May 31, 2012.

ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW:

- A. Policy Development and Review – First Reading
 - 1) B-34 Personal Leave (See Attachments)
 - 2) B-35 Family and Medical Leave Policy and Notice of Employee Rights and Responsibilities (See Attachments)
- B. Personnel Changes (See Attachments)
- C. Calendars for 2012-2013 (See Attachments)
- D. Budget Transactions:
 - 1. Supplements:

a. S-20 Food Service	\$	46,400
b. S-21 Special Education	\$	11,091
c. S-22 Technical & Adult Education	\$	2,520
d. S-23 Health Services	\$	23,779
e. S-24 County	\$	560,480
f. S-25 Rural & Low Income Students	\$	(20,821)
g. S-26 Title I	\$	79,608
h. S-27 WVEIS	\$	156
i. S-28 Education Jobs – ARRA	\$	19,223
j. S-29 Learn & Serve	\$	2,826
k. S-30 Community Participation Projects	\$	42,000
l. S-31 Adult Basic Education	\$	2,854
 - 2. Transfers:

a. T-20 ESL	\$	1,137
b. T-21 Title II & Step 7	\$	92,227
c. T-22 Title I	\$	304,309

BOARD COMMENTS: *(not all inclusive)*

Mr. Bush thanked the presenters for their excellent reports. He also thanked Dr. John David for the outstanding renovations on the “Historic Oak Hill School Building” (formerly Oak Hill Elementary School). He reported on attending the graduation ceremony at Fayette Institute of Technology and the remarkable speeches. He said Oak Hill will celebrate 152 high school commencements on Friday. He complimented Danna Davis and Evangeline Bickford from Collins Middle School and Cathy Broughman from Mount Hope Elementary for the excellent music program they presented at Collins Middle School.

Mr. Arthur expressed his appreciation to everyone for their work stating it is a hard job. He stated a lot of the work being done can be compared to the work in the corporate world.

Mr. Arritt extended his condolences to the family of Doris Shockey. He commented Mrs. Shockey worked forty-four years for Fayette County Board of Education with twenty of those years in the central office. He stated she was one of the best employees Fayette County ever had. He reported to Mr. Dials he was contacted by two people stating a page from the WESTEST was put on Face Book and You Tube from a cell phone camera. He read FCBOE Policy E-21 prohibiting such items from school.

Mr. Dials and Dr. Starcher responded they were aware of the concerns and reports had been filed.

Mr. Ivey asked fellow Board members to coordinate graduation ceremonies so that every school is represented by the Board of Education. He expressed his appreciation to the presenters stating it was informative and heart-wrenching. He reported on attending the Fayette County Leadership Program for high school students and thanked Dave Pollard for working with the students. He shared a program from the

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spring concert at Collins Middle School directed by Evangeline Bickford and Cathy Broughman. He reported there are 138 students in the band program at Collins Middle School. He also reported on the High Performing Schools Committee Meeting on held on May 15 about learning environments and addressing needs and concerns of our schools. He said minutes from the meetings could be found on his website. Mr. Ivey thanked Mr. Seay for working with local farmers on the "farm to school" program. Lastly, he thanked the citizens of Fayette County for re-electing him to represent Fayette County for four more years. He congratulated Lou Jones for being elected to the Board of Education and stated he was looking forward to working with her. He stated anyone can work with him if they are working for the best interest of the students in Fayette County.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS: *(not all inclusive)*

Mr. Dials commented briefly on the "simulated babies" Margaret O'Neal had at the meeting. He said we are facing a sad reality with the real babies who have names.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Mr. Gray thanked Mr. Bush for opening the meeting in his absence. He stated his daughter was presiding over the National Junior Honor Society meeting at Ansted Middle School. He congratulated Mrs. Jessica Money Penny, Fayetteville Elementary teacher, for being awarded Fayette County's Teacher of the Year. He reported on attending the Future Farmers of America program along with the graduation ceremony for Fayette Institute of Technology stating they were wonderful events. He stressed it was a good example of what teachers do in Fayette County. Mr. Gray congratulated Mr. Ivey and Mrs. Jones stating he was looking forward to working with them.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting	Monday, June 4, 2012 Board of Education Office	6:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting	Monday, June 18, 2012 Board of Education Office	6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon motion by Mr. Ivey, second by Mr. Arritt and carried 5 to 0, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:56 p.m.

 President

 Secretary/Superintendent