

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. on Monday, February 4, 2013, in the George M. Edwards Conference Room of the Board of Education Office, 111 Fayette Avenue, Fayetteville, West Virginia. Those present were:

Steve Bush	President
Lou Jones	Vice-President
David Arritt	Members
Pat Gray	
Leon Ivey	
Keith A. Butcher	Superintendent
Dr. MaryLu MacCorkle	Associate Superintendent
Paula Fridley	Treasurer
Bob Hollandsworth	Director of Technology
Gary Hough	Director of Transportation
Anna Kincaid-Cline	Director of Secondary
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. Gray.

**RECOGNITIONS/REPORTS:**

None.

**DELEGATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT / INFORMATION:**

Mr. Butcher introduced Dr. Charlotte Hutchens as the newly appointed liaison from the West Virginia Department of Education to Fayette County Schools. He stated Dr. Hutchens serves as his mentor and will share information with the State Department of Education on Fayette County's progress.

Mr. Butcher invited anyone interested to be at the Fayette County Courthouse on Saturday, February 9, 2013, stating the votes for the Excess Levy Election will start coming in around 8:30 p.m. He announced the need for a Special Meeting to be scheduled for Friday, February 15, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. at the Fayette County Courthouse for the purpose of canvassing the Excess Levy Election votes. He stated at least three members must be present for the election canvass.

Mr. Butcher distributed a copy of Fayette County's Strategic Plan for 2012-2013 outlining three core goals including increasing the skills and knowledge of Fayette County educators, increasing student achievement, and expanding the systems of support for students in order to increase the percent of graduating students. (See Attachment)

**BOARD ACTION:**

Upon action by Mr. Ivey, second by Mr. Gray and approved 4 – 0 with Mr. Arritt abstaining due to his absence from the previous meeting, the following item was approved:

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes – January 22, 2013

**BOARD REVIEW / INFORMATION:**

- A. Personnel Changes – (See Attachments)
- B. Board Bills – (See Attachments)

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS / INFORMATION:** *(not all inclusive)*

**Mrs. Jones** asked for an update on Mr. Bolts Willis regarding the Valley High School football field.

*Mr. Butcher responded Mr. Willis indicated his plan was to bring a copy of the agreement to raise funds for the field to him this week. Mr. Butcher reported once he receives the agreement between Mr. Willis and the West Virginia Department of Education it will be forwarded to the State for review and approval.*

**Mrs. Jones** stated she will be in contact with Mr. Willis. She welcomed Dr. Hutchens.

**Mr. Gray** commented he missed the wonderful opportunity due to snow to see the Social Studies Fair at Ansted Elementary School. He expressed his anticipation to see the great projects put together by the students. Mr. Gray stated he spoke with Jimmy Wood from Republic Energy for the purpose of partnering with Fayette County on any projects that might fall within the parameters of his company. He asked Mr. Cantley to contact Mr. Wood in regard to our needs.

**Mr. Arritt** welcomed Dr. Hutchens and congratulated her on the good work she did in Raleigh County. He reported on a past write-up received from the State Department of Education for payment to Mr. Newman, former Board of Education member, who had attended less than 50 meetings and received pay for an election vote canvassing meeting. He said Board members are allowed to be paid for 50 meetings per year and did not think the write-up was right. He commented he had been under the weather and quoted several Bible scriptures pertaining to being saved by grace and not by works.

**Mr. Ivey** gave a report on attending the WV State Science Bowl and Oak Hill High School placing in the top six teams. He asked for an increase in academic competitions throughout the County and possible funding for these events. He welcomed Dr. Hutchens. He asked everyone to go out and vote for the levy.

**Mr. Bush** said Psalm 103 contains much about the brief world in which we live. He welcomed Dr. Charlotte Hutchens. Mr. Bush thanked Mr. Butcher, Dr. MacCorkle, and the Directors for their work. He announced the Skills USA Competition will be held Thursday, February 6, 2013, at Fayette Institute of Technology. He stated there has been sixty years of tradition for the excess levy in Fayette County. He said he was grateful to have been a benefactor of the levy. Mr. Bush praised Mr. Butcher for his many attributes from a remarkable musician, teacher, principal, and administrator.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR STUDENT DISCIPLINE HEARING:**

*In accordance with 6-9A-4 (3) of School Laws of West Virginia, "The governing body of a public agency may hold an executive session during a regular, special or emergency meeting . . . upon a majority affirmative vote of the members present . . . To decide upon disciplining, suspension or expulsion of any student in any public school . . . unless the student requests an open meeting."*

At approximately 6:22 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Ivey, second by Mrs. Jones, carried 5 to 0, the Board agreed to convene in executive session to conduct student discipline hearings after a five minute recess. At approximately 6:43 p.m., Mr. Bush announced the return to open session.

Board Ratification – Superintendent Butcher's recommendation for ratification of the placement of one student placed on homebound instruction and four students placed in alternative school was approved upon motion by Mr. Gray, second by Mrs. Jones, and carried 5 to 0.

**FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS:**

Special Meeting/Excess Levy Election Canvass	Friday, February 15, 2013 Fayette County Courthouse	9:00 a.m.
Regular Meeting	Monday, February 18, 2013 Board of Education Office	6:00 p.m.
Special Meeting <b>(If needed)</b> <i>Personnel/RIF/Transfer Hearings</i>	Thursday, February 21, 2013 Board of Education Office	6:00 p.m.
Special Meeting/LSIC <i>(Midland Trail Area Schools)</i>	Monday, February 25, 2013 Midland Trail High School	6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At approximately 6:45 p.m., it was moved by Mr. Ivey, seconded by Mrs. Jones and carried 5 to 0 to adjourn the meeting.

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President

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Secretary/Superintendent