

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, March 4, 2013, in the Auditorium at Fayetteville High School, 515 W. Maple 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. Serena Starcher	Associate Superintendent
Dr. MaryLu MacCorkle	Associate Superintendent
Jean Cavalier	Director of Elementary
Paula Fridley	Treasurer
Bob Hollandsworth	Director of Technology
Gary Hough	Director of Transportation
Anna Kincaid-Cline	Director of Secondary
Judy Lively	Director of Attendance
David Seay	Director of Child Nutrition
Jackie Mollohan	Executive Secretary

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bush followed by him leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITIONS/REPORTS:

Math Field Day Winners were announced by Stephanie Haynes and Anna Kincaid-Cline. (See Attachments)

Mr. Butcher highlighted the importance of math and recognized the accomplishments of the winners.

Mr. Arritt congratulated the winners stating many of the students have ranked on top for many years. He acknowledged Michael McGraw, Josh Lokant, Jacob Ivey and Brandon Murdock for their success along with the all of the other winners. He thanked Ms. Lickliter for her work and success at Oak Hill High School. He wished the winners success as they move forward in the competition.

DELEGATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT / INFORMATION:

Dr. Serena Starcher gave a progress report on the addition at Divide Elementary School. She reported the brick, roof, windows, doors and ceiling tiles are complete and two rooms have been painted. She stated the HVAC is almost complete, landscaping is progressing, and the paving will occur when the weather breaks. She said the school will have a safe school entrance but it is minimally complete at this time. Dr. Starcher reported we are hopeful to occupy rooms this spring but it could be next fall before final completion.

Mr. Butcher distributed a handout (See Attachment) on Fayette County Schools District Improvement Plan for 2013-2016. He reported the Improvement Plan is based on the compliance indicators of the West Virginia Office of Education Performance Audits. He stated student achievement, graduation rate, financial procedures, facility maintenance and utilization, personnel procedures and processes, district policies and district leadership have all been recognized as needing improvement. He stated the three year District Improvement Plan describes the action to be taken in order to be in compliance by 2016.

Mr. Ivey questioned the cost of Goal 4 on page 3 under implementing the Comprehensive Educational Facilities Plan.

Mr. Butcher responded the CEFP is built in phases and each particular phase will cost out whether it will be by the School Building Authority or the voters of Fayette County. He expressed the need for a new elementary school at Mount Hope.

Mr. Ivey further questioned the degree of compliance with the CEFP in order to regain local control and the amount personnel we have over the formula. He stated 4.2 regarding the energy management facilities plan is already in progress.

Mr. Butcher stated many things on the energy management plan have been implemented not only to save energy but also money. He reported Dr. Starcher is currently working on a total facilities review on our needs with an approximate cost.

Mr. Gray asked if there was a specific measure of success to track progress each year with the goals.

BOARD ACTION:

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

- A. Special Meeting Minutes – February 15, 2013
- B. Regular Meeting Minutes – February 18, 2013
- C. Out-of-State trip for Oak Hill High School Softball Team to participate in a softball tournament in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on March 31 – April 6, 2013.
- D. Out-of-State trip for Good Kid Program at Valley High School to take a trip to Carowinds Theme Park in Charlotte, NC on June 7, 2013.

BOARD REVIEW / INFORMATION:

- A. Social Studies Textbook Adoption – (See Attachment)
- B. Personnel Changes – (See Attachments)
- C. Board Bills – (See Attachments)

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

Mrs. Jones thanked Valley High School for her invitation to attend the Black Heritage Program on February 25. She reported the program was well done. She also reported on attending the recent Local School Improvement Council meeting at Midland Trail High School and expressed her appreciation to all of the schools for their work.

Mr. Arritt again congratulated the students for their academic achievement and also congratulated Valley High School for advancing to the State Basketball Tournament. He wished them success.

Mr. Gray congratulated the math field day winners. He reported Fayette Institute of Technology had winners in the nursing program and the JROTC program at a recent competition in Huntington. He stated his niece received first place on the nursing team and will be competing in Nashville in June.

Mr. Ivey congratulated the math field day students for their achievement. He also congratulated the Valley High Girls Basketball team for making it to the State Tournament. He stated the Valley High Boys Basketball team is one game away from making it to the State Tournament. Mr. Ivey reported on the ACT score requirement to receive the Promise Scholarship. He asked if an elective prep class could be made available to students for help with the ACT. He stated the students should be able to take the test as many times as possible in order to qualify for scholarship money.

Mr. Bush added his congratulations to the Math Field Day winners. He recognized Connor Gibson, Tanner Harris, Zach Barber, Trenton Casto and Noah Casto for their participation in the West Virginia Junior Wrestling Championship. He thanked Mr. Butcher for his report. Mr. Bush reminded everyone of the Writing Assessment that is currently underway.

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 6:45 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Bush, second by Mr. Arritt, carried 5 to 0, the Board agreed to convene in executive session to conduct student discipline hearings after a 10 minute recess. At approximately 7:39 p.m., Mr. Bush announced the return to open session.

Board Ratification – Superintendent Butcher’s recommendation for ratification of the placement of four students placed in alternative school was approved upon motion by Mr. Ivey, second by Mr. Arritt, and carried 5 to 0.

Student Expulsion – Superintendent Butcher’s recommendation that Student E030413 be expelled from Fayette County Schools for the remainder of the 2nd semester this year and the 1st semester next year (2013-2014) with stipulations on returning at the beginning of 2013-2014, was approved upon motion by Mr. Bush, second by Mr. Gray, carried 5 to 0.

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FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting	Monday, March 18, 2013 Board of Education Office	6:00 p.m.
Special Meeting/LSIC <i>(Meadow Bridge Area Schools)</i>	Monday, March 25, 2013 Meadow Bridge High School	6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

At approximately 7:41 p.m., it was moved by Mr. Ivey, seconded by Mr. Arritt and carried 5 to 0 to adjourn the meeting.

President

Secretary/Superintendent