

**Summers County Board of Education  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
March 14, 2019, 5:30 p.m.  
Summers Middle School**

**1. Roll Call**

The Summers County Board of Education met in a regular meeting on March 14, 2019, 5:30 p.m. at SMS with Dr. Austin Lilly, Board Vice President presiding over the meeting with the following board members present; Mr. Kenny Brogan, Mr. Robert Angell, and Mrs. Jackie Farley and Mr. Stan Duncan by phone

Other staff members present: Ms. Kimberly Rodes, Superintendent; Mr. Eric Widdoes, Director; Dr. Linda Knott, Director; Mrs. Renae Jones, Director; Mrs. Lauren Crook, Business Manager; and Mr. Bryan Boone, Director.

**2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance**

The invocation was given by Mr. Brogan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Approval of Agenda/Adjustments**

Upon a motion by Mr. Brogan, seconded by Mr. Angell and by unanimous vote, the board approved the agenda by moving #10 under #3.

Upon recommendation of the superintendent, a motion by Dr. Lilly, seconded by Mr. Brogan and by unanimous vote, the board approved to strike the GOV deals under new business.

**4. Personnel Items**

Upon a motion by Mr. Brogan, seconded by Mr. Angell and by unanimous vote, the board approved the following personnel items, as recommended by the superintendent:

- ▶ Approve Resignation, **Rebecca Cooper**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher at Jumping Branch Elementary, effective March 5, 2019
- ▶ Approve Resignation, **Mary Pat Duncan**, Substitute Teacher, effective March 6, 2019
- ▶ Substitute Alternative Education Teacher at Summers Middle School, \$23.00 per hour not to exceed 8 hours per week with on additional hour for planning, remainder of the 2018-2019 school term, **Jessica Jacoby**
- ▶ Mentor Teacher, 2 Nine Weeks, \$300.00, **Vivian Meador**
- ▶ Substitute for an After School Tutor at Summers Middle School, 2 hours per day to be performed after the school day and 1 hour per week for planning not to exceed 11 hours per week, \$23.00 per hour, **Tyler Jones & Andrew Weiss**
- ▶ Assistant Softball Coach, 2018-2019 school term, per coaching schedule, **Ruth Billings**

**5. Approval of Minutes**

Upon a motion by Dr. Lilly, seconded by Mr. Duncan and by unanimous vote, the board approved to table the minutes until the next meeting and requested that all commentary be removed with a clear and concise description of the board actions.

- ▶ February 28, 2019, Regular Meeting

**6. Presentations**

- ▶ Summers Middle School – LSIC Updates
- ▶ Student Recognition – Summers Middle School

**7. Approval of Bills**

Upon a motion by Mrs. Farley, seconded by Dr. Lilly and by a 3-0 vote (Mr. Duncan & Mr. Brogan abstained), the board approved the bills for payment, as recommended by the superintendent.

**8. Approve Transfers and Supplements**

Upon a motion by Mr. Brogan, seconded by Mr. Angell and by unanimous vote, the board approved the transfers and supplements, as recommended by the superintendent.

## **9. Old Business**

Upon a motion by Mr. Angell, seconded by Mrs. Farley and by unanimous vote, the board approved the following policy to remain on review, as recommended by the superintendent:

- ▶ Approve Policies to Continue on Review:

VI-A-9 Safety and Acceptable Use of the Internet by Students and Employees

Upon a motion by Mrs. Farley, seconded by Mr. Angell and by unanimous vote, the board approved to dismiss the existing plans drawn up for improvements to the Bus Garage, as they do not address or correct the structural issues involved. And request that a new RFP for improvements to the Bus Garage be drawn up, based on the recommendations made during the collaborative meeting held at the garage on 03-13-19.

- ▶ Discussion and/or Action Concerning Bus Garage Renovations

## **10. New Business**

Upon a motion by Dr. Lilly, seconded by Mrs. Farley and by unanimous vote, the board approved to table the Levy rates until the April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, as recommended by the superintendent.

- ▶ Approve to Enter Levy Rates and Levy Order

This item was struck under Item #3

- ▶ Approve Memorandum of Understanding with GovDeals

Upon a motion by Mr. Angell, seconded by Mrs. Farley and by unanimous vote, the board approved the following new business, as recommended by the superintendent:

▶ Approve Memorandum of Agreement between West Virginia University Cooperative Extension Service and the Board of Education

Upon a motion by Mr. Angell, seconded by Mr. Brogan and by unanimous vote, the board approved the following new business, as recommended by the superintendent:

▶ Approve Employee Free Lunch Agreement between Nathan Smith and the Board of Education for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school term

Upon a motion by Mr. Brogan, seconded by Mr. Angell and by unanimous vote, the board approved the following new business, as recommended by the superintendent

- ▶ Approve Education Leave Student # 810007730

Upon a motion by Mr. Brogan, seconded by Mr. Angell and by unanimous vote, the board approved the following new business, as recommended by the superintendent:

- ▶ Approve Out of State Trip, XTreme Springs Christiansburg VA, May 7, 2019, *Kristin Richmond*

Upon a motion by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Angell and by unanimous vote the board approved to terminate our legal services contract with Dinsmore and Shohl, engage Bowles Rice LLP Charleston office for all of our legal services, transfer all pending legal matters to Bowles Rice LLP, and direct the Superintendent and Bowles Rice LLP to copy the board president on all written and electronic communications between the superintendent and counsel, all of which is to be effective as of this meeting, Thursday March 14, 2019.

- ▶ Discussion and/or Action of Legal Services (*a short recess was conducted for technical difficulty*)

## **11. Approve Out of County Request**

Upon a motion by Mr. Brogan, seconded by Mrs. Farley and by a 4-1 vote (Mr. Angell voted no), the board approved the following out of county request, as recommended by the superintendent:

- ▶ Student # 810007748 to Greenbrier County

## **12. Presentation of Calendar Information**

▶ Superintendent Rodes presented the calendar information that three calendars had been made and employees would then vote on the calendar they would like to see for the upcoming year.

## **13. Public Hearing Concerning 2019-2020 Calendar**

- ▶ No public comments were made.

**14. Superintendent's Report**

- ▶ Attendance Report
- ▶ Watch List Update

Official notice from the Office of School finance had been received by Superintendent Rodes instructing that Summers County Schools had been removed from the state Watch List. Due diligence is still required to ensure properly allocated school funds due to decrease in state and local funding.

▶ Current School Year Calendar Changes- Lost 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup> of April and now the 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup> are guaranteed.

Upon a motion by Dr. Lilly, seconded by Mr. Duncan and by unanimous vote, the board approved to add the unpaid bill for Bowles & Rice to the next meeting.

- ▶ Unauthorized Expenditure by Board President

**15. Public Comments**

- ▶ Greg Angell – Archery

**16. Recess**

Recess until April 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

This meeting ended at 7:22 p.m.