

Summers County Board of Education
Regular Meeting Minutes
116 Main Street, Hinton WV 25951
May 14, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call

The Summers County Board of Education met in a regular meeting on May 14, 2020, 6:00 p.m. in a virtual meeting due to COVID-19 with Mr. Stanley Duncan, Board President presiding over the meeting with the following board members present: Mr. Jay McBride, Mrs. Jackie Farley, Mr. Robert Angell, and Mr. Kenny Brogan.

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

2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

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

3. Approval of Agenda/Adjustments

Mr. Duncan announced that the board members were not compensated for the May 8, 2020 Special Meeting that was cancelled.

Upon a motion by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Brogan and by unanimous vote, the board approved to move 9K to after #14.

Upon a motion by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mrs. Farley and by unanimous vote, the board approved to table 9G, 9I, and 9J until the next meeting on May 28, 2020.

There was a motion by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Brogan to move 9E after parent presentation.

Upon a motion by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Angell and by unanimous vote, the board approved the agenda with adjustments.

4. Approval of Minutes

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

- ▶ April 23, 2020 Minutes, Regular Meeting

5. Presentations

- ▶ Summers County High School Parent Group ask that the board postpone graduation until the last of June 2020.

Mrs. Farley made a statement regarding graduation.

Mr. Duncan stated the guidelines that he received from Chad Meador from the health department concerning graduation.

Mr. Brogan made a statement regarding graduation.

- ▶ Jessica Morgan from WVEA spoke on behalf of Summers County Members and work schedules

6. Approval of Bills

Upon a motion by Mr. Brogan, seconded by Mr. McBride and by a 4-0 vote (Mr. Duncan abstained), the board approved the bills for payment.

7. Approve Transfers and Supplements

None, no action taken.

8. Old Business

Upon a motion by Mr. Brogan, seconded by Mrs. Farley and by unanimous vote, the board approved to postpone the following policies on review until the first meeting in July.

Ms. Rodes reminded the board members that the following policies have been on review since February.

- A. Approve Policy to Remain on Review – VI-A-5 Films, Movies, Videos
- B. Approve Policy to Remain on Review – IV-H-8 Substitute Service Personnel – Refusal to Work Policy
- C. Approve Policy to Remain on Review– VI-B-2 Public School Curricula

9. New Business

There are no purchases over \$5,000

- A. Discussion and/or Action Concerning Purchases over \$5000

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:

- B. Discussion and/or Action to Approve the Summers County Public Library Recommended Funding

Upon a motion by Mr. Angell, seconded by Mr. Brogan and by unanimous vote, the board approved to table the following new business until the next meeting on May 28, 2020:

- C. Discussion and/or Action of Adopting Proposed Budget Based on Public Hearing and Budget Discussions

Upon a motion by Mr. Brogan, seconded by Mr. Angell and by unanimous vote the board approved the following new business as long as they adhere to WVDE guidelines, as recommended by the superintendent:

- D. Approve the Re-Opening of the Adult LPN Program beginning May 18, 2020

There was no action taken on the following new business:

- E. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Summers County High School Graduation Format 2020

There was no action taken on the following new business:

- F. Discussion Regarding WVDE Directives Regarding Hours of Work Required of School Employees as it Applies to Summers County School Employees Through the end of this 2019-2020 School Term

The following new business was tabled until the next meeting, May 28, 2020, under Item #3:

- G. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the New CTE Course in Electricity for Fall 2020, Master Electrician Instructor Hiring, Student Scheduling and Consultation with Barry Crist Consultant for WVDE CTE Director, Dr. D'Antonio

Upon a motion by Mr. Duncan a request was made to transfer \$5,000 into legal services and to be carried over to July 1st, Ms. Rodes explained that this could not be carried over into the next fiscal year and Mr. Duncan withdrew that motion.

Upon a motion by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. McBride and by unanimous vote, the board approved New Business, Item H: Mr. Duncan also requested that the following transfer be completed by the end of business day May 15, 2020 and a Purchase Order be completed. Mr. Duncan requested Mrs. Farley make a second motion as to which account to transfer funds from.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Farley, seconded by Mr. Duncan and by unanimous vote, the board approved to transfer funds from the contingency fund to use towards legal services:

- H. Discussion and Possible Action Directing the Immediate Transfer of \$5,000.00 into the Legal Services Account and the Creation of an Open-Blanket Purchase Order with Bowles Rice Law Firm in the Amount of \$5000

The following new business was tabled until the next meeting, May 28, 2020, under Item #3.

- I. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Bus Garage Renovations

The following new business was tabled until the next meeting, May 29, 2020, under Item #3

- J. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Documentation Regarding Directives and or Suggestions from WVDE, State Superintendent, and Jim Justice Regarding Summers County Schools Operations as a Result of the Covid-19 Virus from the Beginning of the Shutdown of Schools until the Present and Going Forward as per WV State Law 18-4-10, SUB-SECTION 9's Requirement That County Boards are Kept Informed Continuously

Mr. Duncan made a motion to go into Executive Session, pursuant to 6-9A-4 Paragraph 2, seconded by Mrs. Farley and by unanimous vote.

Mr. Duncan called the meeting back to order with no action taken on the following new business, Mr. Duncan announced that there would be a special meeting on May 19, 2020, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. to conduct interviews for the Summers County Superintendent.

- K. Discussion and possible action concerning the board's superintendent search, including consideration or review of applications to determine screened applicants, consideration or determination of date(s) for structured interviews and further review of various actions or matters related to the superintendent search, including timelines. A representative of the West Virginia School Board Association, which is conducting the county superintendent search, has been invited to join by means of telephone conference call.

10. Personnel Items

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

- A. Physical Science/Earth and Space Science Teacher at Summers County High School, 2020-2021 school term, state scale, pending documentation, **Jonathan Downey**

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

- B. Itinerant Technology Innovation Program Coach, 2020-2021 school term 205 days, state scale, **Christie Shafer, Nathan Smith, Amy Smith**

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

- C. Summer Feeding Program, June 11, 2020 – August 3, 2020, state scale, **Lori Burns & Regina Trout**

11. Approve In/Out of County Request

Upon a motion by Mr. Angell, seconded by Mr. Brogan and by unanimous vote, the board approved the following out of county request, as recommended by the superintendent:

- ▶ DB, CB, & BB to Fayette County
- ▶ ZP to Fayette County

12. **Public Comment**

None

13. **Superintendent's Report**

- ▶COVID-19 Updates
- Graduation
- Staff returning
- Summer Feeding

14. **Discussion of Next Agenda**

Special Meeting – Tuesday, May 19, 2020

15. **Adjourn**

Upon a motion by Mrs. Farley, seconded by Mr. Duncan the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.