RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS (MINUTES)

SPRINGFIELD, KY FEBRUARY 20, 2023 REGULAR SESSION/WORK SESSION

The Washington County Board of Education met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on the 20th day of FEBRUARY, 2023 at the Washington County TEL Center with the following members present:

(1) Curtis Hamilton (2) Jeremy Thompson (3) Carissa Harley (4) Sherri Cheser (5) Ray Canterberry

Board Chair Curtis Hamilton led the Pledge of Allegiance and board member Ray Canterberry read the mission statement. Board Chair Curtis Hamilton welcomed all in attendance and proceeded with the meeting.

Legislative Liaison Report

Board member Jeremy Thompson reported that since the last board meeting, the House Education Committee met three times (on February 7, February 14 and February 21) and the Senate Education Committee met twice (on February 9 and February 16). The house discussed the following topics: Teacher Retirement System, teacher shortage, and believed reasons with a presentation by Dr. Glass, classified school staff, KEES for homeschooled children and dual credits. The senate discussed the following topics and bills – SB150 – Parental Rights in Schools, SB25 Postsecondary Readiness, SB49 - Teacher Certification, SB24 - KEES for homeschooled children, SB70 - Professional Development, and SB107 - State Management of Education (KY BOE). There are 19 senate bills assigned to the Senate Education Committee and 7 house bills assigned to the House Education Committee. The last day to file a senate bill is February 21, 2023. The last day to file a house bill is February 22, 2023. A quick follow up to last month's meeting – SB50 – the bill to make school boards a partisan office, is still sitting assigned to committee but has not been called up. This bill not only affects school boards but also mayors, county commissioners, and soil and water conservation boards. The filing deadline will also be changed per the bill's proposed language for school boards and other affected bodies.

Treasurer's Report

Board Meeting Date: 2/20/23

Balance Sheet:

General Fund \$6,792,884.08 Special Revenue \$277,798.16 District Activity \$164,692.83 Student Activity \$151,514.42 Captial Outlay \$690,290.89 Building \$207,054.13 Construction \$139,392.69 Debt Service (\$103,384.87) Food Service \$1,079,571.72 Day Care \$416,921.75 Scholarship \$5,866.28

General Fund:

General fund received \$7,983,496.20 in revenue and spent \$6,425,208.15 in expenditures. Expenditures are up over last year operating costs are up by \$499,263.26. Notable expenditures items at WCES air units, heat pump colling tower, a boiler at NWES-\$209, 316 and asphalt \$48,167. Building repair and maintenance expenditures are up \$100,450 over last year and diesel fuel is up \$70,323.02 over last year.

Special Revenue Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures for salaries and fringe are \$1,760,747.38 and operational expenditures are \$875.295.86.

District Activity Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures are \$62,283.45.

Student Activity Fund:

Year-to-date expenditures are \$117,816.45.

Capital Outlay Fund & Building (FSPK) Fund:

We received \$77,120 in capital outlay funding and \$360,814 in state match FSPK funding and in property tax funding \$871,058. This will be used to offset the debt service.

Construction Fund:

Year to date we spent \$646,789.62 in construction funds.

Debt Service Fund:

Year-to-date principal and interest paid on debt is \$1,203,960.38.

Food Service Fund:

Total year-to-date receipts are \$972,234.10 and expenditures are \$974,149.96.

Day Care Fund:

Total year-to-date receipts are \$106,059.33 and expenditures are \$11,681.05.

Scholarship Fund:

No scholarships have been paid out this fiscal year.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Cochran reported on the CAP alternate assessment. She reported that the district's transportation and attendance departments both had undergone an audit. The transportation audit

was successful. The district is still waiting on final results of the attendance audit, but overall, were given a good report. She praised Mr. Chad Willis, the attendance clerks, and the district overall for it's efforts in attendance as attendance has increased, particularly in comparison to other districts in our region and state. She reported that Bob Holderman, director of transportation, had secured a grant for two new school buses at 20-25%. She also reported that the district had received a grant for library and blueprint archives. She commended Lee Anne Ater, director of state and federal programs, and Holly Elmore, chief academic officer, for their recent efforts in implementing an English Learner book study. She talked about SDI workshops offered through our membership with CKEC. She reported that preschool registration was in full swing. She discussed postsecondary data. Finally, she discussed the need to add an addendum to the current SRO contract for a raise.

Student Learning and Support Services - Action by Consent

- **Bd.** #23-014 Upon motion of Ray Canterberry and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved, by a vote of 5-0, the following consent items:
 - Approved minutes January 9, 2023 Organizational Meeting/Regular Session.
 - Approved payment of bills as presented.
 - Approved budget amendments as presented.
 - Approved submitted donations made to Washington County Schools to date as presented:
 - o Donation to WCHS from Crown Recovery Center; \$500.00
 - Donation to WCHS Baseball from Washington County Baseball Boosters; \$259.90
 - Donation to Washington County Schools from Ephraim McDowell: \$500.00
 - o Donation to WCMS Winter Guard from Linda Ross; \$180.00
 - o Donation to NWES from NW PTO; \$1,600.00
 - Approved leave affidavits for unpaid days:
 - o Terra Taylor May 10-12, 2023 (3 days)
 - o Brian Powers February 8-10, 2023 (2.5 days)
 - Approved to **rescind** the following requests for unpaid days:
 - o Varina Smith January 25, 2023 (1 day)
 - o Eric Sagrecy May 3-4, 2023 (2 days)
 - Approved board sponsorship of Washington County Project Graduation tshirts and transportation.
 - Approved Memorandum of Agreement between Western Kentucky University School of Nursing and Allied Health and Washington County Schools for clinical affiliation agreement.
 - Approved Joint Memorandum on Middle School Football Program between Washington County Board of Education and Saint Dominic Elementary School renewal with no changes as presented.

- Approved Joint Memorandum on Middle School Softball/Baseball Program Between Washington County Board of Education and Saint Dominic Elementary School renewal with no changes as presented.
- Approved to surplus the following items:
 - o 10895 Tilt Skillet
 - Math books at WCHS
- Approved for district to apply for Calming Space grant for \$10,000. One-time grant; one district per co-op will receive.

Student Learning and Support Services – Action, Potential Discussion

- **Bd.** #23-015 Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Ray Canterberry, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 Trip Requests for the WCHS chapter of FFA as presented.
 - State FFA Convention, Lexington, KY June 6-8, 2023
 - KY FFA Camp, Hardinsburg, July 3-7, 2023
- **Bd.** #23-016 Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 Trip Request for the WC Winter Guard/Cadet Guard to travel to Ramsey, Indiana for competition on March 4, 2023 as presented.
- **Bd.** #23-017 Upon motion of Jeremy Thompson and seconded by Ray Canterberry, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 change order for additional 8" pipe across parking lot at Washington County Middle School as presented.
- **Bd.** #23-018 Upon motion of Ray Canterberry and seconded by Carissa Harley, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 visual arts performing pathway for career readiness as presented.
- Bd. #23-019 Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Jeremy Thompson, the board Approved by a vote of 5-0 Washington County Autism Support Group (WAGS) To partner with Washington County Schools to host autism event in April at TEL Center; Application and Agreement for Use of District Property for Washington County Autism Support Group to use TEL Center to host autism event in April as presented, tentatively, per receipt of proper insurance and documents.

T The Board was notified of the following personnel actions:

February Personnel Actions

Certified Employment:

Cynthia Coulter – Non-Certified Emergency Substitute Teacher

Madeline Pettus – Substitute Teacher Ashley Randoll – Substitute Teacher Patricia Reed – Speech Therapist

Classified Employment:

Anterius Edelen – SEL Coordinator Katelyn Noel - District Wide Special Needs Instructional Assistant Dorothy Blandford – Part-Time Custodian

Student Employment:

Ethan Taylor - Student Worker

Resignation:

Kelly Byrd – Substitute Teacher
Richard Libby – Substitute Teacher
Barbie Cocanougher - .5 District Wide Middle School Softball Head Coach
Joanna Reader - District Wide Middle School Softball Assistant Coach
Sydney Nall – District Wide Special Needs Instructional Assistant
Cory Cook – District Wide Custodian
Gabrielle Barbara – Substitute Teacher
Tiffani Ballard – Girls Track Coach (WCHS)

Bd. #23-020 – Upon motion of Sherri Cheser and seconded by Ray Canterberry, the board approved by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn at 6:26 p.m.

Work Session

Michael Etapa with Clotfelter-Samokar presented an update on athletic fields/sports facilities and board members discussed options. No decisions were made.

J. Robin Filiatreau Cochran, Ed.D., Board Secretary

Approved:

Curtis Hamilton, Board Chair