

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF HAMPSHIRE TO WIT:

The Hampshire County Board of Education held a special meeting, their twenty-seventh (27th) meeting of the 2020-2021 school year, on Monday, May 17, 2021, at the Offices of the Hampshire County Board of Education. A regular meeting followed.

The following Board members were in attendance: Miss Debra Ann Champ, President; Mr. Ed Morgan, Vice President and Mr. Bernard Hott, Mrs. Deadre Rinker and Mr. Matthew Trimble, members.

PURPOSE: The special meeting was held for the purpose of conducting a budget hearing.

President Champ called the meeting to order at 4:39 p.m.

Prayer was given by Mr. Hott followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the agenda.

Mrs. Rinker moved approval with Mr. Morgan seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

II. BUDGET WORK SESSION:

Denise Hott, Finance Director, shared the 2021-2022 school budget.

Public comments following the presentation – there were no public comments.

Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the 2021-2022 budget.

Mrs. Rinker moved approval with Mr. Trimble seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members go into executive session to discuss specific personnel issues.

Mr. Morgan moved approval with Mrs. Rinker seconding the motion that passed unanimously. Executive session began at 6:01 p.m. Open session resumed at 6:33 p.m. after Mr. Morgan made a motion to return to open session. Mrs. Rinker seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

III. APPEARANCE(S):

There were no appearances.

IV. CALENDAR HEARING:

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the 2021-2022 school calendar.

Mr. Trimble moved approval with Mrs. Rinker seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

V. Recognitions:

Golden Horseshoe Winners

Sarah Pownell and Evan Hill, Romney Middle students and Molly McVicker, Capon Bridge Middle student, were recognized as winners of the Golden Horseshoe contest.

Coaches and Athletes

Michael Dufrene, Principal at Hampshire High and Trey Stewart, Athletic Director at Hampshire High, recognized coaches and athletes at Hampshire High for outstanding achievement for their efforts to represent Hampshire County at the State level.

Teacher of the Year

Barbara Ray, Teacher at Augusta Elementary, was named and recognized as The 2021 Teacher of the Year.

Service Person of the Year

Greg Snyder, Head Custodian at Romney Elementary, was named and recognized as The 2021 Service Person of the Year.

Both deserving individuals were awarded gifts and plaques from The Bank of Romney. Presenting on the bank's behalf was President Dean Young.

VI. PRESENTATIONS:

UPDATE ON RIVER HOUSE

Johanna Murray, Executive Director of the River House in Capon Bridge and Beth Reese, Founder and Past Board Chair of the River House, gave an update on available programs and progress.

LSIC information for the following schools was shared:

Springfield-Green Spring Elementary – Linda Nixon, Principal; Robin Puffinburger, Teacher and Melanie Meck, Academic Coach, presented before the Board. Mrs. Puffinburger highlighted the work of her students. Those students presenting were: Karli Westfall, Lorelei Bergendahl, Ziva Dillinger and Casidee Mauck.

John J. Cornwell Elementary – Linda Nixon, Principal and Melanie Meck, Academic Coach shared information and highlights.

Capon Bridge Elementary - John Ferraro, Principal; Paige Tighe and Morris, teachers, shared highlights and information.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the May 5, 2021 Board of Education minutes.

Mrs. Rinker moved approval with Mr. Morgan seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

VIII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

Board members were given the following informational items:

- A. A copy of April's Attendance Report as submitted by Attendance Director Amy Haines.
- B. A copy of a letter from the West Virginia Department of Education indicating the audit file for fiscal year 2020 is closed.

At this point, Board members skipped to non-consent agenda item X. A. due to the lateness of the hour and not wanting to keep Hardy Telecommunications, Inc., representatives waiting any longer.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEM:

X.

- A. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the right of way deed between Hampshire County Schools and Hardy Telecommunications, Inc.

Mr. Trimble moved approval with Mrs. Rinker seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the following consent agenda items (A and B):

- A. School Item:
Fundraiser:
Hampshire High:
 Boys' Soccer Team: Coldwell Classic soccer tournament
- B. Finance Items:
 Bills to be paid
 Budget revisions

Interfund Transfers
Treasurer's Report

Mr. Morgan moved approval with Mrs. Rinker seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

Mr. Morgan made a motion to return to executive session to continue discussing personnel matters. Mr. Trimble seconded the motion that passed unanimously. Executive session began at 8:15 p.m. Regular session resumed at 8:47 p.m. after Mrs. Rinker made a motion to return to regular session. Mr. Trimble seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the following personnel items.

C. Personnel Items:

1. Transfer and Employment of Professional Personnel:
 - a. Employ Cara Powell as a Social Worker for Hampshire County Schools (001-104) effective for the 2021-2022 school year.
 - b. Employ Teresa Feller as a Speech and Language Pathologist for Hampshire County Schools (001-24) effective for the 2021-2022 school year.
2. Resignation of Professional Personnel:
 - a. Sarah Janowitz, Special Education Teacher at Augusta Elementary, effective June 8, 2021.
3. Transfer and employment of Service Personnel:
 - a. Employ Melissa Keiter as a School Secretary at Capon Bridge Elementary (209-02) effective for the 2021-2022 school year.
 - b. Employ Beth Kidwell as a Custodian at Hampshire High (501-16) effective for the 2021-2022 school year.
 - c. Employ Samantha Barnes as Custodian/Cook at Augusta Elementary (201-20) effective for the 2021-2022 school year.
 - d. Transfer Patricia Price from Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide with Transportation Run at Hampshire High SL4 to Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide with Transportation Run at Hampshire High HH7 (501-21) effective for the 2021-2022 school year.
 - e. Transfer Danielle Popp from Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide with Transportation Run CB3 to Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide at Capon Bridge Elementary (209-22) effective for the 2021-2022 school year.
 - f. Transfer Kim Campbell from Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide at Augusta Elementary to Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide with Transportation Run at Slanesville Elementary (207-23) effective for the 2021-2022 school year.
 - g. Transfer Gidget Slater from School Bus Operator for RM8 to School Bus Operator for Route HH4 (001-24) effective for the 2021-2022 school year.
4. Resignation of Service Personnel:
 - a. Nancy Lee as a Substitute Aide effective May 13, 2021

5. Transfer and Employment of Extracurricular Personnel:
 - a. Employ Bruce Devine, Kelly Morris and Forrest Taylor as Summer Special Education Teachers (001-43) effective May 19, 2021
 - b. Employ Alice Marsh, Christmas Moreland, Danielle Popp, Lisa Pyles, Rebecca Roderick and Peggy Stafford as Summer Special Education Aides (001-44) effective June 14, 2021
 - c. Employ Alyssa Ward and Ondrea Yoho as Summer School Teachers- Elementary (001-64) effective May 19, 2021
 - d. Employ Jordan Richardson as a Summer School Teacher- High School (001-66) effective May 19, 2021
 - e. Employ Robert Miller and LuAnn Walker as Substitute Summer School Teachers (001-69) effective May 19, 2021
 - f. Employ Janeen Alderman, Carli Malcom, Tammie Wilfong and Robyn Wolford as Summer School Bus Operators (4 positions) (001-10) effective June 14, 2021
 - g. Employ John Anderson, Carolyn Arnold and Sherri Mullin as Summer School Custodians (3 positions) (001-11) effective June 14, 2021
 - h. Employ Kimberly Mullins and Kelly Sions as Summer School Nurses (2 positions) (001-12) effective June 14, 2021

6. Resignation of Extracurricular Personnel:
 - a. Amber Hibbard as a Summer School Teacher effective May 12, 2021
 - b. Ashley Collins as Assistant Volleyball Coach at Hampshire High effective May 14, 2021

7. Other:
 - a. Permission to post for Substitute School Bus Operators for Summer School.
 - b. Permission to post for Substitute Custodians for Summer School.
 - c. Permission to post for ICA/Transportation Aides with a transportation run for Summer School.
 - d. Permission to post for two additional Summer School Bus Drivers.

Mr. Morgan moved approval with Mr. Hott seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

X. NON-CONSENT ITEMS (Continued):

B. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the agreement with the Hampshire County Commission regarding the Pro-Officer at Hampshire High.

Mrs. Rinker moved approval with Mr. Morgan seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

C. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the termination of Employee #2, Robert Gunther, Social Studies Teacher at Hampshire High, effective immediately.

Mr. Trimble moved approval with Mr. Morgan seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

D. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the proposed salary schedule as presented.

Board members tabled this recommendation for further discussion.

XI. OTHER:

Superintendent Pancione commended Lead Nurse Rhonda Dante for meeting COVID challenges head-on and doing a superb job.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p. m.

Jeffrey Pancione, Secretary
Hampshire County Board of Education

Debra Ann Champ, President
Hampshire County Board of Education