

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF HAMPSHIRE TO WIT:

The Hampshire County Board of Education held a regular meeting, their first (1st) meeting of the 2022-2023 school year, on Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at the Offices of the Hampshire County Board of Education.

The following Board members were in attendance: Mr. Bernard Hott, Mrs. Corena Mongold, Mr. Ed Morgan, Ms. Kim Poland and Mr. Matthew Trimble.

Newly elected Board members, Kim Poland and Corena Mongold, were welcomed to the group. They were previously sworn in on June 27. Mr. Ed Morgan, re-elected Board member, was also sworn in on June 27.

Superintendent Pancione called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Trimble.

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

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

II. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:

Board business and selection/appointment of Board members to various committees:

A. Board President nomination and placement (term will begin July 5, 2022, for a two-year term ending June 30, 2024).

Mrs. Mongold nominated Ms. Poland. Mr. Trimble seconded the nomination. Mr. Trimble nominated Mr. Morgan. Mr. Hott seconded the nomination. Superintendent Pancione asked for a show of hands for both nominees. Mr. Morgan was voted in as President by a vote of 3-2. (Three for Mr. Morgan were Mr. Morgan, Mr. Hott and Mr. Trimble. Two for Ms. Poland were Mrs. Mongold and Ms. Poland).

B. Vice-President nomination and placement (term will begin on July 5, 2022, for a two-year term ending June 30, 2024).

President Morgan nominated Mr. Trimble. Mr. Hott seconded the nomination. A show up hands indicated 5-0 for Mr. Trimble.

C. Other placements: (Extension and EPIC)

Mr. Trimble nominated Kim Poland for EPIC. Mr. Morgan nominated Mrs. Mongold for Extension. Ms. Poland seconded both nominations. A show up hands indicated all in favor.

D. Set meeting dates and times:

Mr. Trimble made a motion to keep meeting dates and times the same (1st and 3rd Mondays at 6:30 p.m.) with Mrs. Mongold seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

III. APPEARANCE(S):

There were no appearances.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the June 22 and June 27, 2022 Board of Education minutes.

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

V. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the following consent agenda items:

A. Finance Items:

- Bills to be paid
- Budget revisions

B. Personnel Items:

1. Transfer and Employment of Professional Personnel:

- a. Transfer Daniel Alkire from Science Teacher at Hampshire High to Virtual Option/ Option Pathway Teacher at Hampshire High (501-28) effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- b. Employ Vanessa Brode as a Community in Schools/Social Worker (001-52) pending certification, effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- c. Employ Annette Fuqua as a long-term substitute for a Science Teacher at Capon Bridge Middle (401-62) effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- d. Employ Matthew Mihalko as a long-term substitute for a Mathematics Teacher at Hampshire High (501-69) effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- e. Transfer Morgan Ennis from Braille/Sign Language Support Specialist/Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide to a long-term substitute for a Special Education Teacher at Romney Elementary (402-73) effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- f. Employ Sadie Alkire as a long-term substitute for an Art Teacher at Hampshire High (501-92) effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- g. Employ Jarrett Hott as a long-term substitute for a Special Education Teacher at Hampshire High (501-95) effective for the 2022-2023 school year.

- h. Transfer Ashley Ruckman from Grade 5 Teacher at Springfield-Green Spring Elementary to Grade 3 Teacher at Springfield-Green Spring Elementary (208-99) effective for the 2022-2023 school year.
- 2. Resignation and Retirement of Professional Personnel:
 - a. Approve the retirement of Robert Miller as Math Teacher at Hampshire High effective June 30, 2022.
- 3. Transfer and Employment of Service Personnel:
 - a. Employ David Belleck as a Custodian at Hampshire High (501-117) effective for July 7, 2022.
 - b. Employ Zachary Flesher as a Custodian at Hampshire High (501-51) effective July 7, 2022.
- 4. Resignation and Retirement of Service Personnel:
 - a. Approve the resignation of Charles McCann, Custodian at Augusta Elementary, effective June 30, 2022.
- 5. Transfer and Employment of Extracurricular Personnel:
 - a. Employ Wallace Dixon as Head Girls' Basketball Coach at Capon Bridge Middle (401-15) effective for the season of the sport.
- 6. Other:
 - a. Approve Policy 4120: Substitutes in the Areas of Critical Needs and Shortage for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - b. Permission to post for a Homeless Liaison for the 2022-2023 school year (this position will be funded through the homeless grant).
 - c. Permission to post for after school tutors at Romney Elementary, Romney Middle and Hampshire High using homeless grant funds.
 - d. Permission to post for a substitute Athletic Trainer for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - e. Approve the leave of absence for Courtney Walker, Art Teacher at Hampshire High, from approximately August 15, 2022 through October 7, 2022 (this falls under state and federal guidelines).
 - f. Approve the intermittent leave of absence of Beth Eckerson, Pre-Kindergarten Teacher at Slanesville Elementary, for the 2022-2023 school year.
- 7. Volunteers:
 - a. Augusta Elementary: Patty Barnes and Bonnie Schaeffer
 - b. Capon Bridge Elementary: Marci James and Terree Hofe
 - c. Hampshire High: Noah Kalbaughk and Cody Vandevander
 - d. Romney Elementary: Brandon Brown, Brittany Clark, Grant Clark, Julie Delaplain, Linda Gaither, Casey Hite, Cassandra Hughes, James Lewis, Lisa Liller, Robin Marley, Tammy Martin, Brooke Moreland, Donna See, Jessica Simmons, John Dan Sitar, Greg Snyder, Joyce Tenney and Kimberly Timbrook
 - e. Romney Middle: Brenda Ganoe
 - f. Slanesville Elementary: Deborah Grieger

- g. Springfield-Green Spring Elementary: Jennifer Amrhine, Jennifer Bidinger, Michael Bidinger, Dereck Burkett, Sandy Burkett, Brooke Frye, Jessica Imperio, Tammy LaFollette, Jasmine Ledford, James Lewis, Austin Riggleman, Jessica Riggleman, Jessica Scarlett, Mary Beth Shanholtz, Emily Shanholtz, Donna Smith, Lindsey Snyder, Jesse Stewart and Salina Stewart

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

VI. NON-CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the continuance of all backpack programs in the county that benefit the students of Hampshire County Schools.

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

- B. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members discuss and make a possible decision regarding the Italian Exchange trip November 9 – November 22.

This was tabled until the next meeting so that Board members could meet and discuss the trip with Rita Hott, Foreign Language Teacher at Hampshire High.

Superintendent Pancione requested an executive session to discuss non-consent agenda item C before he made his recommendation so that Board members could be fully informed before making a decision.

Mr. Trimble made a motion to go into executive session with Mr. Hott seconding the motion that passed unanimously. Executive session began at 6:45 p.m. Open session resumed at 7:08 p.m. after Ms. Poland made a motion to return to open session with Mr. Trimble seconding the motion that passed unanimously. President Morgan stated that no decisions were made in executive session.

- C. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members uphold his decision to suspend Employee #1, Kali Gardner, Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation Aide at Hampshire High, for two (2) days – August 22 and 23, 2022, without pay.

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

- D. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members award the bid package No. 2 early sitework for Central Elementary School and North Elementary School contingent upon approval of the School Building Authority and McKinley Architecture and Engineering to the lowest bidder which turned out to be First Fruits Excavating in the amount of \$2,329,420.00 (due to an error on the original bid winner's submission).

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

VII. OTHER:

Superintendent Pancione shared the following: new employee orientation will be held on August 1st – Board members are welcome to attend to meet and greet them – a new program “Grown Your Own” will be available to juniors and seniors – this program will allow those students to earn college hours, be eligible for tuition reimbursement (this is for students who choose teaching as their profession and commit to teaching in Hampshire County for a determined length of time) – summer school locations – the bulletin boards in the Board room will be showcasing students’ work and directors will be appearing before the Board for updates on their programs.

Mr. Hott shared that doors had been ordered at a cost of \$51,000.00 for the high school and should be installed by August 15th.

President Morgan requested that Board members visit the schools after school begins and that the last meeting of each month be held out in the schools and the bus garage to be more visible in the community. He also shared the exciting news that Barbara Ray, Teacher at Augusta Elementary and former Teacher of the Year, had received a grant in the amount of \$2,000.00 and has a chance to be awarded another grant up to the \$25,000.00.

Vice President Trimble stated that county commissioners have taken a step forward regarding the razing of the former hospital.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p. m.

Jeffrey Pancione, Secretary
Hampshire County Board of Education

Ed Morgan, President
Hampshire County Board of Education