

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF HAMPSHIRE TO WIT:

The Hampshire County Board of Education held a special meeting on Monday, May 1, 2023, at the Offices of the Hampshire County Board of Education. A regular meeting, their thirty-seventh (37th) meeting of the 2022-2023 school year, followed.

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

PURPOSE: The special portion was held for the purpose of conducting student hearings.

President Morgan called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Ms. Poland moved approval with Mrs. Mongold seconding the motion that passed unanimously.

II. Student hearings:

Student hearings were held.

Regular Meeting – 6:30 p.m.

III. CAKE (Catching a Kid Excelling) winners:

The following students were recognized:

Augusta Elementary – Alexavier Boyer – Alexavier applies the character traits discussed in Guidance to his interactions with others. He is a very kind and compassionate student. Alex is always willing to help if needed and he puts forth great effort during Guidance class. Alex is an excellent representative of Augusta Elementary School and models what it means to be an Augusta Eagle!

Capon Bridge Elementary –

Aidan Blocker – Aidan is a good listener. He likes to please. He strives to make good grades and is a friend to all. He is an all-around great student!

Kaitlyn Cates – Kaitlyn is a quiet presence in the classroom. She is always doing what is expected of her without being asked. She is responsible and will always check in when she is absent to make sure she stays caught up. She will work with anyone in the class without complaint. She is respectful and always has a smile to offer!

Romney Elementary – will have two students to recognize next month (April’s student was not available to attend this meeting)

Slanesville Elementary – Saxton Pierce – Saxton is a kind and considerate boy. He goes out of his way to be friends with his classmates. He has the best sense of humor for a 6-year-old and he is a really good writer and reader. He is a total delight to know!

Springfield-Green Spring Elementary – Addelyn Scarlett – Addelyn is the kind of student a teacher always appreciates. She is helpful, kind and the best brownie baker in the school! She’s a joy to teach because she always works hard and goes above and beyond on her assignments. She is eager to learn, works cooperatively with anyone, and brings smiles to the faces of her classmates and the entire staff.

Capon Bridge Middle –

6th Grade - Logan Davis – Logan is a perfect representation of a CAKE student! He is sincere in his actions with both his peers and his teachers. He is always a willing and active participant in class. Logan has also worked extremely hard to bring his I-Ready scores up in reading and math. He met his typical growth for the year in both reading and math on the end-of-the-year I-Ready diagnostic.

7th Grade - Jacob Long – Jacob is friendly, positive and always willing to help in the classroom! He volunteers to read aloud, helps with the lunch count each day and often helps distribute/collect Chromebooks. He demonstrates good manners with everyone and greets people daily with a friendly “hello”.

8th Grade: Evalette Lease – Evalette is a student that is diligent in her studies, considerate of others, notices and is willing to help those in need, thoughtful in her decision-making, asks questions to further her learning, and takes pride in her work. Evalette demonstrates what it means to be a Bobcat every day through all of her interactions and in her work ethic!

Romney Middle –

6th Grade – Landon Sirk – Landon was selected for helping tutor others, working hard and being consistent with his work efforts, treating classmates and staff respectfully, while balancing this with being a student athlete. He’s an all-around good fellow!

7th Grade – Sawyar Park – Sawyar is one of the kindest students we have in the 7th grade. We have seen her helping numerous classmates with their work or sharing a kind word when one of her fellow classmates needs it. She is a very quiet student who you could often miss, but her academic performance and her attention to detail in her work showcase how smart she is. If we have ever needed help in class and asked, she has never refused, and we have often observed her do things that need to be done unasked!

8th Grade – Marcus McBride- Marcus is a very good student to have in class! He works very hard on his assignments and cares about his grades. He volunteers in class and is helpful to his classmates. Marcus is also a student athlete and represents his school in multiple sports.

Hampshire High –

9th Grade - Denny Werner – Denny was a very shy 9th grader who did not want to or cannot speak in class in front of peers. He recently went on the exchange to Italy and Germany. During this time, he literally came out of his shell and is able to communicate without hesitation rather than clamming up and refusing to answer. He has taken such a great turn-around, matured very much in a short time, and absorbed every minute on the trip. He can be quite chatty at times now. Denny is a great student and is complimented by many teachers!

10th Grade – RandiJo Wolford - RandiJo is a fantastic young lady. She is involved in many clubs and activities at HHS. Even last year as a freshman, she began taking on a lot of leadership roles in the school. She is always kind and sweet and always has a smile on her face. She is an excellent student who makes the school a brighter place to be!

11th Grade – Eliza VanMeter - Eliza is a well-rounded student. She is motivated to succeed, has a positive attitude in all circumstances, and is willing to go out of her way to help others. Eliza contributes to both our school and greater community by challenging herself through honors classes, being a positive teammate through athletics, and helping with community service efforts through school clubs and church involvement. Eliza's drive and kind heart make her an exceptional member of our Trojan family!

12th Grade – Abigail McBride - Abigail is an exceptionally sharp, quick individual with a high aptitude for learning. Her advanced skills and passion for all subjects make her an ideal fit for any rigorous program. Abby's personal strengths are as impressive as her intellectual accomplishments. She's an active outgoing presence in the class with a great sense of humor. Her cheerful nature and openness to feedback means she's always learning and growing as a learner, an impressive strength that will continue to serve her well in college and beyond. She is a talented, intelligent student with the charisma, confidence, strong values and respect for others to make a huge difference in the world around her!

IV. APPEARANCES:

This portion was held after the highlight.

V. HIGHLIGHT:

Hampshire County was well represented at the Regional Social Studies Fair. There are six projects going to the state Social Studies Fair. Topics and students are as follows:

Division I – Economics Individual – Don't Depreciate a Classic – **Emmett Carter** – Romney Elementary – Honorable Mention; Geography Individual – Adventure of a Lifetime (Oregon Trail) – **Lydia Wolford** – Augusta Elementary (homeschool) – 1st Place; Political Science Individual – West Virginia State Police Academy – **Greydon Massie** – Romney Elementary – 1st Place⁴; Sociology Individual – Inuit People: Past and Present – **Gage Fields** – Romney Elementary – 2nd place; Sociology Group – How Did We Get Here? Navigating our American Immigration Story – **Benjamin Morris and Emilia Morris** – Romney Elementary – 1st Place; State and Local Studies Individual – The Impact of Remote Learning on Local WV Kids – **Natalie Braithwaite** – Capon Bridge Elementary – 2nd Place; State and Local Studies Group – Why are Golden Delicious Apples Special to WV? – **Mikalaya Simpson and Berkeley Raine Cook** – Slanesville Elementary – 1st Place; US History Individual – Simone Biles: The Path to Success – **Sadie Fields** – Romney Elementary – Honorable Mention; US History Group – The Mayflower Compact – **Annaleigh Fabrizio and Katie Baker** – Augusta Elementary – 3rd Place; World History Individual – The History of Women's Gymnastics – **Kaylee Bidinger** – Springfield-Green Spring Elementary – Honorable Mention and World History Group – History of Legos – Putting the Pieces Together – **Brett Ritz and Evan Ritz** – Springfield-Green Spring Elementary – 1st Place.

Division II – Geography Individual – Disney Magic Goes Global – **Braylon See** – Romney Middle – 2nd Place and State and Local Studies Group – The Kids Who Went Up in Smoke – **Rylee Koontz and Skyler Wotring** – 3rd Place.

Division III – State and Local Studies Group – Flood of 1985 – **Kaitlyn Shockey and Madison Terrazas** – Hampshire High – 2nd Place and World History Individual – Black Beard Thief or Strategist – **Shawn Bennett** – Hampshire High – 1st Place.

VI. APPEARANCES:

A. Terry Dawson, General Maintenance/Plumber, requested that Board members revise the vacation policy for 252-day employees. President Morgan asked that this item be placed on the May 8th meeting/work session for discussion.

B. Jill Barnes Pyles, parent, shared results of the community petition regarding the renaming of the new schools. She requested that Board members address the community concerns regarding this issue.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the April 27, 2023 minutes.

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

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

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

A. Finance Items:

- Bills
- Budget revisions
- Transfer between funds
- Treasurer's report

B. Personnel:

1. Transfer and Employment of Professional Personnel:
 - a. Employ Sara Crandall as an English Teacher at Romney Middle (402-27) effective for the 2023-2024 school year.
 - b. Employ Anna Gebert as a substitute teacher (001-86) effective May 3, 2023.
2. Resignation and Retirement of Professional Personnel:
 - a. Approve the retirement of Victoria Ford as county-wide Technology Integration Specialist effective June 30, 2023.
3. Transfer and Employment of Service Personnel:
 - a. Employ Samantha Loy as a substitute aide (001-46) effective May 3, 2023
4. Resignation and Retirement of Service Personnel:
 - a. Approve the retirement of Mark Shanholtz as Head Custodian at Hampshire High effective June 30, 2023.
5. Transfer and Employment of Extracurricular Personnel:
 - a. Employ Jordan Richardson as Head Girls' Basketball Coach for Hampshire High (501-07) effective for the season of the sport.

Summer School:

- b. Employ Patricia Crowley, Brittany Cunningham, Hannah Lipps, and Julie Wilson as Summer School Elementary Teachers (001-73) effective May 3, 2023.
 - c. Employ Teresa Orndorff as a Summer School Special Education Teacher (001-76) effective May 3, 2023.
 - d. Employ Barbara Riggelman, Peggy Stafford, Debbie Twigg, and Kristen Vincent as Itinerant Classroom Aides/Transportation (001-78) effective May 3, 2023.
 - e. Employ Ashley Blye, Danielle Davis, April Moreland and Samantha Spaid, as substitute Itinerant Classroom Aides/Transportation (001-79) effective May 3, 2023.
 - f. Employ Crystal Dove as an Itinerant Classroom Aide/Transportation- workshop (001-80) effective May 3, 2023.
 - g. Employ Teresa Feller and Aaron James as Extended School Year- Speech Pathologists (001-89) effective May 3, 2023.
 - h. Employ Cara Powell as an Extended School Year- Social Worker (001-90) effective May 3, 2023.
6. Resignation of Extracurricular Personnel:
 - a. Approve the resignation of Randall Ruckman as Head Football Coach at Romney Middle effective May 1, 2023.

7. Volunteers:

- a. Capon Bridge Elementary: Candance Creswell, Melinda Robinson and Anthony Tenney

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

IX. NON-CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the following as a driver of county vehicles: Anne Heavener.

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

- B. Superintendent Pancione recommended that Board members approve the adoption of Reporteros for Spanish 1, 2 and 3 from Books International, Inc. Klett World Languages.

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

X. OTHER:

Board members chose “Empowered Trojan Award” for their gift to a deserving senior. This will be a joint award between the Hampshire County Board of Education and Romney Federal Credit Union.

Board members wished all principals a “Happy Principal's Day” and thanked them for their dedication to students.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p. m.

Jeffrey Pancione, Secretary
Hampshire County Board of Education

Ed Morgan, President
Hampshire County Board of Education