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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF WETZEL, to-wit:

The Wetzel County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, December 1, 2014, at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, in New Martinsville, WV, at 6:30 p.m. The following members were present:

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| Josh Balcerek     | Linda T. Kirk              |
| Michael D. Blair  | Robert E. Patterson        |
| Carolyn R. Gatian | Dennis Albright, Secretary |

OPENING, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND INVOCATION:

This Regular Session of the Wetzel County Board of Education was called to order by the President of the Board, Mr. Michael D. Blair. Mrs. Kirk led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Mr. Blair gave the opening Invocation.

RECOGNITION:

Daniel J. Gottron, Principals’ Leadership Academy, Distinguished Scholar

Dr. Dixie Billheimer with the West Virginia Center for Professional Development recognized Mr. Daniel Gottron, Principal at Hundred High School, as a Distinguished Scholar for the 2014 Principals’ Leadership Academy. Dr. Billheimer presented him with a plaque and stated the recognition was awarded for Mr. Gottron’s outstanding participation, contributions to the online book study, and for excellence in presenting his school data project. Mr. Gottron gave a brief outline of his school data project, “*Hornets Take Flight*”. He said the project focused on the areas of student attendance, student achievement, and student behavior. Mr. Blair thanked Dr. Billheimer for this recognition.

PRESENTATIONS:

RESA 6 - Nick Zervos

Mr. Nick Zervos, Executive Director of RESA-6, presented the annual update on RESA-6 programs and services, and provided the Board with a packet of information and reports. Mr. Zervos stated the Smart Find Express Calling System, which is housed at RESA-6, fielded 61,000 calls for employee absences last year, filling 97% of those absences. This system saves the counties time and money. Other cost-saving services include computer repairs and assistance with Medicaid billing. Mr. Zervos also briefly reviewed the savings and teachers funded with shared services, cooperative purchasing, and Medicaid reimbursement.

Mr. Zervos encouraged the members of the Board to read the Commission Report from Charleston, which is out for public comment. He encouraged them to meet and discuss the report. He feels it is necessary for the Board to understand the direction the group is headed and the issues addressed, including reorganizing the RESA’s.

Mr. Blair thanked Mr. Zervos for his presentation and report.

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**American Education Week Proclamation - Dennis Albright**

Mr. Albright stated the 93<sup>rd</sup> annual American Education Week was celebrated November 16-22, 2014. He informed the Board that he has a proclamation ready for them to sign and send out to the employees in the county. He said arrangements have been made for school staff to be dismissed at 12:15 on Tuesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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| <b><u>Approval of Minutes:</u></b> | Regular Meeting - November 17, 2014 |
|                                    | Special Meeting - November 18, 2014 |

Acting on the Superintendent’s recommendation, Mrs. Kirk made the motion to approve the minutes for Regular Meeting, November 17, 2014 and Special Meeting, November 18, 2014. Second to the motion was made by Mr. Balcerek and the motion was approved unanimously by the members of the Board.

**Personnel Matters:**

**Employment and/or Changes in Employment:**

**Retirements and/or Resignations:**

**Resignations:**

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| Gregory S. Hostutler | Acceptance of resignation from position as Head Baseball Coach at Hundred High School, effective immediately.                                |
| Mark D. Lemasters    | Acceptance of resignation from position as Site Coordinator for Technology at Magnolia High School, effective the end of the first semester. |

**Service Personnel:**

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| Roger D. Heater, II  | Approval for change in assignment from Cook III (677/C) at Paden City Elementary School to Cook III (677/C) at New Martinsville School, effective January 5, 2015.                                |
| David P. King        | Approval for employment as Countywide Substitute Custodian, effective December 2, 2014.   |
| Julie L. Ledergerber | Approval for change in assignment from Supervisory Aide III (503/D) at New Martinsville School to Supervisory Aide/Autism Mentor (519/G) at New Martinsville School, effective November 12, 2014. |
| Janet L. Nice        | Approval for employment as Countywide Substitute Custodian, effective December 2, 2014.   |
| Brandi D. Thomas     | Approval for employment as Countywide Substitute Custodian, effective December 2, 2014.   |

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**Extracurricular:**

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| David C. Brill       | Approval for employment as Assistant 7th/8th Grade Football Coach at New Martinsville School, effective the beginning of the 2015-2016 WVSSAC Season. Non-certified.                    |
| Jeffrey E. Hohn      | Approval for employment as 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach at Paden City High School, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 WVSSAC Season.                               |
| Bryan E. Hostetler   | Approval for employment as 7th/8th Grade Football Coach at New Martinsville School, effective the beginning of the 2015-2016 WVSSAC Season. Non Certified.                              |
| Howard O. Meeks, III | Approval for employment as 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach at Paden City High School, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 WVSSAC Season. Not a county funded position. |
| Janice A. Moore      | Approval for contracted services position as Mentor Teacher - English at Valley High School, effective December 2, 2014.  |
| Michael T. Owens     | Approval for employment as Athletic Trainer - Football at New Martinsville School, effective the beginning of the 2015-2016 WVSSAC Season. Non-certified.                               |
| Terry L. Riter       | Approval for employment as 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach at Long Drain School, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 WVSSAC Season. Non-certified.                     |

**Leave of Absence:**

Approval of request from Ashley L. Greene for an 'unpaid maternity leave of absence' from her position as First Grade Teacher at Paden City Elementary School beginning upon depletion of her personal leave and permissive personal leave days, from December 8, 2014, for twelve weeks leave.

**MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS AS OUTLINED UNDER PERSONNEL MATTERS:**

Mrs. Gatian made the motion for approval of the Superintendent's recommendations as outlined under Personnel Matters. Second to the motion was made by Mrs. Kirk and the motion was approved unanimously by the members of the Board.

**Routine Matters:**

**Approval of the following Chaperones/Volunteers for the 2014-2015 School Year:**

**New Martinsville School**

Teresa Longfellow



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**POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION:**  
An Executive Session was not needed.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:**

December 2, 2014 - Special Meeting - County Office - 6:00 p.m.  
December 15, 2014 - Regular Meeting - County Office - 6:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Having set the time and date of the next meeting of the Wetzel County Board of Education, Mr. Blair made the motion to adjourn this Regular Meeting. Mrs. Gatian seconded the motion for unanimous approval to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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