

Date February 1, 2016

Regular	Superintendent's Office	Michael D. Blair, President
Kind of Meeting	Where Held	Presiding Officer

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF WETZEL, to-wit:

The Wetzel County Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, February 1, 2016, at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, in New Martinsville, WV, at 6:30 p.m. The following members were present:

Josh Balcerek	Carolyn R. Gatian
Michael D. Blair	Linda T. Kirk
Aaron D. Cisar	Leatha Williams, 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. Mr. Balcerek led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Mr. Blair gave the opening Invocation.

RECOGNITION:

WVSSAC State Scholarship Winner - Leatha Williams
Troy Boughner, Senior, Magnolia High School

2015 West Virginia State Class 'A' Football Champions - Leatha Williams
Magnolia High School

Mrs. Williams recognized the Scholarship Winner and the football team at the same time, and began by reading the Champions Creed. Mrs. Williams congratulated the Magnolia High School football team and coaches for their accomplishments and presented Josh Sims, Head Coach, and the players with a certificate of appreciation. In addition, she stated that the team has an overall combined G.P.A. of 3.56. Mrs. Williams also introduced football player and band member, Troy Boughner, and presented him with a certificate of achievement for being named the winner of the 2015 WVSSAC Academic Achievement Award for Male Band Members.

REPORT:

Elliott Kendle - PEIA

Mr. Kendle, WCEA Co-President, presented an update on PEIA and the impact it will have on the plan's participants for both active employees and retirees. He briefly reviewed some of the information provided by the PEIA Finance Board if the proposed cuts are made in the plan during the current legislation. Some of the changes include an increase in deductibles, an increase in the maximum out-of-pocket costs, an increase in co-pays, an increase in prescription costs, and a reduction in reimbursements to medical providers. Mr. Kendle encouraged employees and plan members to make phone calls to members of the legislature to voice concerns.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approval of Minutes:	Special Meeting - January 13, 2016
	Regular Meeting - January 19, 2016

Acting on the Superintendent's recommendation, Mr. Balcerek made the motion to approve the minutes for Special Meeting, January 13, 2016 and Regular Meeting, January 19, 2016. Second to the motion was made by Mrs. Gatian and the motion was approved unanimously by the members of the Board.

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Mr. Blair recused his vote from Personnel Matters and left the Board Room.

Personnel Matters:

Employment and/or Changes in Employment:

Retirements and/or Resignations:

Retirements:

Nancy J. Raper	Acceptance of retirement from position as Assistant Teacher/Supervisory Teacher Aide at Paden City Elementary, effective the end of the 2015-16 school year.
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Resignations:

Thomas R. Myers	Acceptance of resignation from positions as Band/Choir Director and Academic Advisor at Magnolia High School, effective February 20, 2016.
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Steven D. Ross	Acceptance of resignation from position as Head Girls Track coach at Magnolia High School, effective immediately.
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Kasey L. Sapp	Acceptance of resignation from positions as Boys and Girls Track coach at Long Drain School, effective immediately.
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Dawn I. Shutler	Acceptance of resignation from position as Countywide Substitute Cook, effective immediately.
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Chad W. West	Acceptance of resignation from position as Assistant Girls Track coach at Paden City High School, effective January 27, 2016.
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Professional Personnel:

Jacob T. Hoskins	Approval for employment as Countywide Substitute Teacher, effective February 2, 2016. Non-certified.
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Michael A. Murphy	Approval for employment as Countywide Substitute Teacher, effective February 3, 2016.
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Deborah K. Rothacher	Approval for employment as Countywide Substitute Teacher, effective February 2, 2016.
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Extracurricular:

Ina L. Robinson	Approval for contracted services position as Countywide TASC Testing Administrator, effective February 2, 2016.
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Kathi D. Schmalz	Approval for contracted services position as Mentor Principal - Valley High School, effective February 2, 2016.
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MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS AS OUTLINED UNDER PERSONNEL MATTERS:

Mr. Balcerek made the motion for approval of the Superintendent's recommendations as outlined under Personnel Matters. Motion failed for lack of second.

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Mr. Blair returned to the Board Room.

Routine Matters:

Out of State Trips:

Approval of request from Nikki Stevens to take 10-14 students from Magnolia High School to a TEAMS (Teams of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics, and Science) Challenge at Belmont College in St. Clairsville, OH on February 26, 2016. Funded through Magnolia TSA and CTE.

Release from Wetzel County Schools:

Approval of request from Brian and Violet Probst for their child, Edwin G. Probst, to be released from Wetzel County Schools (Paden City Elementary) to attend Tyler County Schools for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.

MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS AS OUTLINED UNDER ROUTINE MATTERS:

Mr. Balcerek made the motion for approval of the Superintendent’s recommendations as outlined under Routine Matters. Second to the motion was made by Mrs. Kirk and the motion was approved unanimously by the members of the Board.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Transfers and Increases in the Budget:

There were no Transfers and Increases in the Budget.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF WETZEL COUNTY POLICY GCEB:

The Board completed the annual review of Wetzel County Policy GCEB, “Expanded Use of Retired Teachers Beyond 140 Days in Current School Year Areas of Critical Need and Shortage”.

FIRST/SECOND READING OF NEW/REVISED WETZEL COUNTY POLICY(S):

FIRST READING	SECOND READING	NEW POLICY	REVISED POLICY	DELETE POLICY	NAME OF POLICY	ORIGINATOR
	X		X		IKA: Assessment/Reporting Systems Policy	Leatha Williams

Approval on Second Reading of Wetzel County Policy IKA, Assessment/Report Systems Policy:

Mrs. Gatian made the motion for approval of Second Reading of Wetzel County Policy IKA, Assessment/Reporting Systems Policy. Second to the motion was made by Mr. Balcerek and the motion was approved unanimously by the members of the Board.

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OTHER ITEMS:

Motion to Modify:

Mrs. Gatian made a motion to modify the Personnel Matters, to vote on and approve Jacob T. Hoskins, Michael A. Murphy, Deborah K. Rothacher, and Ina L. Robinson. Second to the motion was made by Mrs. Kirk and the motion was approved unanimously by the members of the Board.

POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

An Executive Session was not needed.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

February 15, 2016 - 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 6:59 p.m.

President

Secretary