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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, March 3, 2014, at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, in New Martinsville, WV, at 6:30 p.m. The following members were present:

William D. Aberegg	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. Mr. Patterson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Mr. Aberegg gave the opening Invocation.

ADDRESS THE BOARD:

~~Alternative Education Program - Bryan Hostetler~~
A committee is being formed to discuss Alternative Education

Due to inclement weather conditions, the Recognitions were postponed for a future Board Meeting date.

RECOGNITION:

~~Wetzel County Math Field Day 1st Place Winners~~
~~West Virginia Young Writers~~

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approval of Minutes:

Regular Meeting - February 17, 2014
Special Meeting/Public Hearing - February 25, 2014

Acting on the Superintendent's recommendation, Mrs. Kirk made the motion to approve the minutes for Regular Meeting, February, 2014. Second to the motion was made by Mr. Aberegg and the motion was approved unanimously by the members of the Board.

Mr. Blair informed the Board to include the Addendum items in the motion under Personnel Matters.

Personnel Matters:

Employment and/or Changes in Employment:

Retirements and/or Resignations:

Resignations:

Anita L. Estel	Acceptance of resignation from position as Assistant Girls' Track Coach at Paden City High School, effective immediately.
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Re-Assignment from the “Transfer and Subsequent Assignment” List for the 2014-2015 School Year:

Professional Personnel:

- Kayla J. Brill From First Grade Teacher at New Martinsville School to Sixth Grade Teacher at New Martinsville School, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.
- Shauna K. Heil From Fourth Grade Teacher at New Martinsville School to Fifth Grade Teacher at New Martinsville School, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.
- Amy B. Petin From Pre-School Special Needs Teacher at the Wetzel County Center for Children & Families to Multi-Categorical Special Education with Autism Teacher at Short Line School, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.
- Sharon E. Snider From Second Grade Teacher at Long Drain School to Fourth Grade Teacher at Long Drain School, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.
- Elisa N. Sprowl From Kindergarten Teacher at New Martinsville School to First Grade Teacher at New Martinsville School, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.
- Valerie A. Stevens From Half-Time Guidance Counselor at Magnolia High School and Half-Time Guidance Counselor at New Martinsville School to Full Time Guidance Counselor at New Martinsville School (205 day contract), effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

Reconfiguration for the 2014-2015 School Year:

- Adriene N. Derby Upon the recommendation of the Principal in accordance with West Virginia Code §18A-4-7a(u), approval for change in assignment from Third Grade Teacher at Short Line School to 7th/8th Grade Reading Teacher at Short Line School, effective the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year.

Extracurricular:

- Haden V. Kocher Approval for employment as Assistant Football Coach at Valley High School, effective the beginning of the ~~2013-2014~~ 2014-2015 WVSSAC Season. Non-certified.
- Haden V. Kocher Approval for employment as Assistant Girls’ Track Coach at Valley High School, effective the beginning of the 2013-2014 WVSSAC Season. Non-certified.
- Regina L. Lemley Approval for employment as 7th/8th Grade Boys’ Track Coach at Short Line School, effective the beginning of the 2013-2014 WVSSAC Season. Non-certified.
- Janet H. Moore Approval for contracted services position as Evening Events Coordinator (Spring) at Hundred High School, effective the beginning of the 2013-2014 WVSSAC Season.

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

Mr. Aberegg made the motion for approval of the Superintendent’s recommendations as outlined under Personnel Matters. Second to the motion was made by Mr. Patterson and the motion was approved unanimously by the members of the Board.

Routine Matters:

Request to Use School Facilities:

Approval of request from Rich Williamson for the New Martinsville Jr. Baseball Softball League to use the New Martinsville School ballfields for league practices and games beginning April 1, 2014 and ending September 15, 2014.

Release from Wetzel County Schools:

Approval of request from Amber Bland for her son, Jesse Bland, to be released from Wetzel County Schools (New Martinsville School) to continue attending Tyler County Schools for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year.

Approval of request from Staci Buchanan for her children, Colby and Landry Buchanan, to be released from Wetzel County Schools (Paden City High School and Paden City Elementary School) to continue attending Tyler County Schools for the 2014-2015 school year.

Approval of request from Jessica Quinn for her children, Zydor and Killian Billeter, to be released from Wetzel County Schools (Paden City Elementary School) to attend Tyler County Schools for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year.

Contractual Agreement:

Approval of agreement between the Wetzel County Board of Education and the Northern Panhandle Head Start, to continue Wetzel County’s Universal Pre-K Program for 2014-2015 in collaboration with Northern Panhandle Head Start.

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

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

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Mr. Blair informed the Board to include the Addendum items in the motion under the Revised School Calendar.

REVISED SCHOOL CALENDAR

Per WV Code §18-5-45, the Superintendent recommends that the School Calendar for the 2013-2014 School Year be revised as follows:

OS = Outside School EnvironmentIS = Instructional Support and Enhancement

CE = Continuing Education

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(C) April 25, 2014	January 7, 2014	OS Day	Instructional Day
(D) May 2, 2014	January 8, 2014	OS Day	Instructional Day
(E) June 3, 2014	January 21, 2014	IS Day	Instructional Day
(F) June 4, 2014	January 22, 2014	OS Day	Instructional Day
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(H) June 6, 2014	January 24, 2014	OS Day	Instructional Day (Last day for students)

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Approval of the revised school calendar for the 2013-2014 school year as recommended by the Superintendent:

Mr. Aberegg made the motion for approval of the revised school calendar for the 2013-2014 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second to the motion was made by Mrs. Kirk and the motion was approved unanimously by the members of the Board.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Approval for Transfers and Increases in the Budget:

There were no Transfers and Increases in the Budget at this time.

OTHER ITEMS:

Mr. Albright informed the Board to let him know if anyone was interested in attending the Affordable Care Workshop to be held this Thursday.

Mr. Albright stated that he spoke with Mr. Bryan Hostetler, who was originally placed on the Agenda to speak at tonight’s meeting. He informed the Board that a committee is being formed to take a look at Alternative Education around the state to see how we match up with other programs. He asked for a Board Member to sit in on the committee, and Mrs. Gatian was placed on that committee.

Mr. Albright requested a Board representative volunteer to serve on the committee for the selection of the February Employee of the Month. Mr. Blair agreed.

Mrs. Kirk stated she had received a phone call from an employee concerning employees reporting to work on snow days. Mrs. Kirk suggested Mr. Albright place an article in the county paper regarding the teachers reporting to work on snow days. Mr. Albright stated that he spoke with the paper today and that an article is planned for the paper. He noted that he does allow employees to use a personal leave or sick day when unable to report to work due to inclement weather. It was also mentioned that with next years’ calendar, this will not be an issue. After much discussion, Mr. Blair added that safety is priority. Mr. Jones also added that bus operators have authority to make the decision not to run portions of their route when they feel it is not safe.

Mrs. McPherson informed the Board that she received a phone call from a community member who was upset over a news report from another state on how they handle students with overdue lunch bills. The community member wanted to do something for Wetzel County students and sent in a donation, which Mrs. McPherson applied to student accounts with overdue amounts. She stated that while the member wished to remain anonymous, they wanted the word out that community members can help. Mr. Blair asked if there were any financial legality issues with this, and she stated there were not.

Mrs. Gatian noted that a new Extension Agent will be coming to the Extension Office. She stated that she has spoke with the current agent and there are services she would like for Wetzel County to consider. Mrs. Gatian said that Tyler County has a part-time agent that does nutritionist counseling that we may want to utilize for some of our food service programs. She also stated that it may be something to tie in with where the State Board is asking us to share services.

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POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

An Executive Session was not needed.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

- March 4, 2014 - Special Meeting/Student Expulsion - County Office - 6:30 p.m.
- March 11, 2014 - Special Meeting/Public Hearing - Magnolia High School - 6:00 p.m.
- March 17, 2014 - Statutory/Regular Meeting - County Office - 6:30 p.m.
- April 7, 2014 - Regular Meeting - County Office - 6:30 p.m.
- April 15, 2014 - Special/Budget Work Session/Continuation of March 17 Statutory Session
-County Office - 6:00 p.m.
- April 21, 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. Mr. Aberegg seconded the motion for unanimous approval to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

_____	President
_____	Secretary