

Boone County Board of Education
Board Meeting Briefs
Of April 16, 2015
Ralph Rush Staff Development Center, Florence, Kentucky

The following are the board *briefs* of the April 16, 2015 meeting minutes. The complete minutes of the April 16, 2015 board meeting will be placed on the May 2015 agenda for approval.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was presented by representatives of the Gray Middle School Choir.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge to the Flag was led by New Haven Elementary School Student Council.

GOOD NEWS

- The board recognized the April 2015 Break the Mold Award recipient, Ms. Dawn Padgett, 4th Grade Teacher at New Haven Elementary School for her dedicated service to the students of Boone County. Tom Haddock, BCEA President, presented Ms. Padgett with a gift of appreciation from the fellow BCEA organizations.
- The board recognized Ms. Chris Deel for being named "Counselor of the Year" by the Northern Kentucky Counseling Association.
- Mrs. Rickert, Board Chair announced for recognition by the board the following 2015 NKYEC Excellence in Education Award Recipients: Dr. Randy Poe was awarded the 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award, Mrs. Karen Cheser was awarded the Vision 2015 Champion for Education.
- The board will recognize Mrs. Karen Cheser, Deputy Superintendent, as one of the 2015 Outstanding Women of Northern Kentucky Award recipients.
- The board recognized and congratulated Mrs. Adele Gormley, new principal at Stephens Elementary, Adele is the former Assistant Principal of Conner Middle School.
- The Boone County Success by 6 Manager, Ms. Amy Bremer was unable to attend to be introduced to the board.
- The board recognized the April 2015 Sportsmanship Awards recipients and congratulated each: Junior Stockwell- Boone County High School, Nicholas Watts-Conner High School, Olivia Goessling- Cooper High School, Hannah Kipling – Ryle High School.

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Sam Gormley, Student Board Member Representative, gave the Council Report. Sam introduced Michael Henry of Cooper High School as the 2015-2016 Board Member Representative and spoke on his platforms for the upcoming year. Sam Gormley read a beautiful written touching tribute to the teachers that have passed away recently, Mrs. Summer and Mrs. Raider. Sam spoke of the positive impact they both made on the students' lives and they will be greatly missed.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

(Brief summary)

- Carrie Cox questioned the board on the process of Boone County Schools for parents that want to opt-out of testing for their students. Carrie Cox also commented on certain amendments and cases that pertain to a parents rights being violated by not allowing the parent to opt their child out of testing..

Dr. Poe discussed the Kentucky Department of Education issued their response to this question. The KDE states that schools cannot allow an individual to opt-out of testing, except for certain medical conditions which addressed. Basically, if a parent does not want their child to take the state test and they keep them home the absence would be unexcused and then discussed the student being truant if have already missed unexcused absence and add the 5 day testing absence. Discussion on make-up days, make-up days are for

students to make up the state test if they were unable to take it and the schools are not allowed to give alternate assignments.

Gerry Dusing, Board Attorney, discussed the position in relation to Kentucky State Law, Federal Law, and United States Constitution or under Kentucky Constitution that would justify legally a parent opting out a student of the state assessment test. Mr. Dusing stated you have a constitution right to send your child to home school, private school, or religious affiliated schools which are alternative to public school. Once you choose to have your child enter the public schools, you have no right to pick and choose what parts of that public school testing, etc. the student can or cannot take.

Carrie Cox then stated she disagreed and other states disagree.

Dr. Poe will send Ms. Cox the information from the Kentucky Department of Education that issues what the schools must follow on State Testing and opting out.

CONSENT AGENDA Items **VIII.A. – AA.** were approved as follows:

VII.A. Minutes of the regular board meeting of March 12, 2015.

VII.B. Bill List

VII.C. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report was given by Mrs. Linda Schild.

VII.D. Leaves of Absence

VII.E. BG-1 Application Cooper High School Baseball Dugouts

The board approved the BG-1 Application Cooper High School Baseball Dugouts, as presented.

VII.F. KASA Agreement for Superintendent Intern and District Agreement

The board approved the KASA and District Agreement for the Superintendent Intern, as presented.

VII.G. Bus Request from Boone County Parks

The board approved the bus request of the Boone County Parks for summer programs of 2015, as presented.

VII.H. Revised BG-1 for Roofing 2015 BG#15-063

The board approved the revised BG-1 for the 2015 Roofing Projects BG#15-063, as presented.

VII.I. Approval of School Fees, Admissions Fees, Transcript Fee and Meal Prices for 2015-2016 school year.

The board approved the School Fees, Admissions Fees, Transcript Fee and Meal Prices for 2015-2016 school year, as presented.

VII.J. BG-1 Application Collins Elementary Portable Classroom

The board approved the BG-1 Application Collins Elementary Portable Classroom, as presented.

VII.K. Memorandum of Agreement- Northern Kentucky University College of Health Professions

The board approved the Memorandum of Agreement- Northern Kentucky University College of Health Professions in providing clinical practicum experiences, as presented.

VII.L. Approval of Contract Closeout BG-4 Ryle High School - Phase 2 Controls BG#13-0473

The board approved the Contract Closeout BG-4 Ryle High School - Phase 2 Controls BG#13-0473, as presented.

VII.M. Bus Request- Children's Inc Florence and Hebron Locations

The board approved the Bus Request from Children's Inc Florence and Hebron Locations for 2015 Summer Programs, as presented.

VII.N. Approval of Final Project Closeout-BG-5 BG#15-048 Boone County Area Technical Center

The board approved the Final Project Closeout-BG-5 BG#15-048 Boone County Area Technical Center, as presented.

VII.O. Bus Request-City of Florence

The board approved the bus request from the City of Florence for the Great American Clean-Up on Saturday, April 18, 2015, as presented.

VII.P. Bus Request- Children's Inc.

The board approved the Bus Request from Children's Inc for the Summer Care Day Camp at Ockerman Elementary, as presented.

VII.Q. Approval of Final Project Closeout -BG-5 BG# 11-032 Thornwilde Elementary

The board approved the Final Project Closeout BG-5 BG#11-032 Thornwilde Elementary, as presented.

VII.R. KISTA Surplus Bus Sale

The board approved the KISTA Surplus Bus Sale, as presented.

VII.S. Surplus Technology

The board approved and declared the surplus technology for disposal, as presented.

VII.T. Treasurer's Bond 2015-2016

The board approved the Treasurer's Bond for renewal for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, as presented.

VII.U. Thornwilde Elementary Dell Instrument Lease

The board approved the Thornwilde Elementary Dell Instrument Lease with Dell Financial Services for Dell Laptops, as presented.

VII.V. Boone County High School Use Agreement- 7 Hills Church

The board approved the Boone County High School use agreement for 7 Hills Church on April, 2015, as presented.

VII.W. Architectural Services - Robert Ehmet Hayes and Associates

The board approved the Architectural Services of Robert Ehmet Hayes and Associates, as presented.

VII.X. Community Education Contract FY 2016

The board approved the Community Education Contract FY 2016, as presented.

VII.Y. Partnership Program with Florence Elementary and NKU - A Vision of Collaboration and Innovative Practice

The board approved the Partnership Program with Florence Elementary and NKU - A Vision of Collaboration and Innovative Practice, as presented.

VII.Z. Approval of Contract Closeout BG-4 Boone County Area Technical Center BG#15-048

The board approved the Contract Closeout BG-4 Boone County Area Technical Center BG#15-048, as presented.

VII.AA. Field Trips

The board approved the field trips, as presented.

| School | Date Of Trip | Location | Reason |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Boone County High School | May 21-26, 2015 | Ft. Lauderdale, FL | National Forensic Tournament |
| Cooper High School | April 14, 2015 | University of Cincinnati | Educational |
| Ryle High School | June 1-6, 2015 | Lexington | Baseball State Tournament |
| Ryle High School | June 4-6, 2015 | Owensboro | Softball State Tournament |
| Stephens Elementary | May 26, 2015 | COSI | Educational |
| Yealey Elementary | May 6, 2015 | Frankfort | Educational |
| Yealey Elementary | May 22, 2015 | Frankfort | Educational |

Dr. Poe discussed during the Treasurer's report the Occupational License Tax has significantly decreased and the administration will keep watch on this concern.

OLD BUSINESS

- The board approved the Graduation Requirements Policy 08.113 Revision- 2nd Reading, as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

- The board approved the Supervisor Title I Services - New Job Description, as presented.
- The board approved the 2014-2015 School Year Last Instructional Day, as presented.

Dr. Poe discussed this last day in contingent on that we have no unforeseen inclement weather days that would cause the school day to be canceled and the planning if this would occur.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Steve Templeton reported many activities across the district he attended and thanked all for the great effort the schools and students put into the activities and commented on each. Mr. Templeton attended the Conner Middle School play of Annie Jr., the kindergarten program at New Haven, the Excellence in Education Dinner, and participated as a judge in the Ryle Senior Exit Interviews, along with many other visits.
- Dr. Poe, updated the board and audience, along with Karen Cheser on the upcoming Launch of the NKY MakerSpace. The open house was set for April 18 from 10am to 1pm.
- Dr. Poe, discussed the Summer Leadership Program coming July 14, 2015.
- Dr. Poe announced the Evening with the Stars, student recognition program, will be held May 5, 2015 and the Breakfast of Champions will be held on May 16, 2015.

INFORMATION, PROPOSALS, COMMUNICATIONS

XI.A. Human Resource Actions

XI.B. Worker's Compensation Claims

XI.C. Overtime Report

XI.D. Energy Management Report

XI.E. Construction Status Report

XI.F. Boone County Schools 2015-2016 Code of Conduct Committee Review Information

XI.G. Ryle Band Boosters Thank You Letter

- Dr. Brown, congratulated Dr. Karen Cheser and Dr. James Detwiler in their recent completion of their doctorates at NKU.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

The following education major students from area colleges introduced themselves to the board with their focus degrees: NKU: Melissa King, Nicholas Gregory, Krystal Victor, Jenna Turner, Faith Pearce, Hannah Hagedorn, Amber Stekken, and Katie Shrayner. Ian Burtrow – University of the Cumberlands.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION PER KRS 61.810 (1) (c)

- No closed session.

**Next Meeting of the Boone County Board of Education
7:30 pm – Ralph Rush Development Center, 99 Center Street, Florence Kentucky 41042**

May 14, 2015