

Boone County Board of Education
Board Meeting Briefs
November 13, 2014
Ralph Rush Staff Development Center, Florence, Kentucky

The following are the board briefs of the November 13, 2014 meeting minutes. The complete minutes of the November 13, 2014 board meeting will be placed on the December agenda for approval.

VETERANS DAY RECOGNITION

Karen Byrd, Board Chair, requested all military past and present to stand and be recognized for their service to our country. The audience was led with a round of applause for our men and women that serve.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The National Anthem was presented by the Conner High School Choir under the direction of Nancy Leisl.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge to the Flag was led by students in the organization of Girls on the Run from Florence Elementary School. The student also shared a poem of thanks to the board for their education in the district.

GOOD NEWS

- The board recognized the November 2014 Break the Mold Award winner, Mackenzie Webster, 4th grade teacher at Thornwilde Elementary. Ms. Webster was honored for her dedication to the students and the district. Many of Ms. Webster's students and families came to take part in the award.
- The board recognized and congratulated the 2014 Ashland Inc. Teacher Achievement Award winners from Boone County Schools, Ms. Stacie Kegley, Longbranch Elementary and Ms. Victoria Yeomanson, Cooper High School.
- The Boone County Schools bus driver Safe Driver Awards 2014 was presented by Ms. Virginia Lainhart representing The Woodsmen Association. Ms. Lainhart addressed the drivers and the audience as to what a honor it is to present these awards to the drivers and their dedicated years of road safety. The awards were given as follows to those who were present:

1 YEAR	5 YEARS	15 YEARS	20 YEARS	35 YEARS
SHERYL BEATTY	DAVE BANKS	DEBRA BLACK	VICKI BOWMAN	JERRY HARWOOD
KATHRYN BONTA	TERRI BEARDSLEY	JAMIE BOZEMAN	TERRI KENDIG	
WILLIAM BROWN	ROBERT BROWN		DAUNE (Dawn) OWENS	
GALEN BURNS	BEVERLY DANIELS		CONSTANCE SPREHER	
DAVID BURTON	MICHAEL DAWSON		SANDRA ZUCKERMAN	
GREG CLAYTON	LARRY DILLON			
RALPH DOAN	SUSAN ELSLAGER			
GARY DUGAN	FRANK GAINES			
PAUL DUSING	MIKE HOPPENJANS			
GOREE JAMES	DERON JUMP			
KATHY HART	MEL KEITZ			
ROBERT HUNTER	GARY OWENS			
KENT MARSHALL	RON PARHAM			
CHARLES MCPETERS	PAUL VELDHAUS			
JAMIE NOWAK				
KEITH PALAZZO				

PAMELA PIERCE
JERRY PIERSON
EMILY SAMUELS
MARK SCANAPIECO
KEVIN SWEENEY
ED TANNER
RON TAYLOR
BOBBIE VANHOOSE
STACEY WALDEN
ROGER WILSON

- The board recognized the November 2014 Parent Power Award recipients for their dedication their schools students and staff:
 - North Pointe Elementary-Kathi Maddy
 - Conner High School-James Thompson
 - Cooper High School-Doug Bruening
Darrell Holt
 - Ryle High School-Annette Dougherty
Katie Smith
- Ed Massey reported Ms. Erin Gruwell, well known speaker and teacher in the famous story *Freedom Writers*, spoke to the students at Conner High School. The Freedom Center paid her fees to speak to our students. Mr. Massey stated the event was well received and very moving. Ms. Byrd spoke on Ms. Gruwell driving passion for students and education.

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Sam Gormley gave the Student Board Member report. Sam reported on the last Student Advisory Council meeting and discussed the Unity video is being completed by the Conner High Video Team. The council also is preparing for the students to teach a class on technology and the many ways that it can help teachers teach.

Sam announced the LayUP for Laruen Hill fundraiser that will take place at Conner Middle School on Tuesday, Nov. 18th, 2014.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

(brief notes of comments)

Robert Klette, Florence, complemented New Haven Elementary for their wonderful Veterans Day program that he attended. Mr. Klette asked why there is school on Veteran’s day. Dr. Poe explained this is a day the calendar committee between the BCEA and Board negotiates and the district takes this day to educate the student’s on honoring our Veterans. Many schools have celebrate with breakfast, lunches and other ceremonies to recognize our soldiers.

Mr. Klette, asked the board what authority they have and what do they do. Karen Byrd explained the board duties and the oversight duty of the budget and discussed the duties and the legislation that legislated to the SBDM their authority. Dr. Poe discussed in length the board duties also and reminded the audience the duties given to the board by the state can be found on the district website and the KSBA website in detail.

Mr. Klette, asked again if the board knew the number of undocumented illegal immigrant children in our schools. Dr. Poe explained this is not data that we legally can ask of students. Mr. Klette spoke on children riding the school busses from local hotels and that he didn’t have a problem with that and he does have a problem with it if they are not documented. Dr. Poe stated that he does not know that number because it is not legal to ask. Mr. Klette wanted to know why the Kenton County Superintendent told their number at the board meeting. Dr. Poe stated he did not

know, but would contact Dr. Terri Cox-Cruey to ask specifically about the issue. Dr. Poe discussed and stated yes, our district does have families that live in hotels and the busses do pick those students up for school if they are in our district.

Carrie Cox asked that the Veterans Day celebration be moved to another day and the schools not be in session so that her family and other military families can celebrate in their own way..... Ms. Cox questioned why we opt out of the Gallop poll. Dr. Poe discussed. Ms. Cox asked about the orange sheet of paper that came home which she thought said something about migrant worker, legal status. She asked what documentation this was and why we asked. Ms. Reutman, explained what the form was from the state and that it was sent back to the state. Ms. Cox asked if the state sent the data back to the school and Mrs. Reutman answered they did not. Discussion followed by Dr. Poe on Gallop.

Ms. Cox questioned the forms and how some of the forms are worded and Dr. Poe said he would take this under advisement and we want to reduce the number of forms and make forms easy to fill out.

CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved the following agenda items VIII. A-BB , as presented.

VIII.A. Minutes of the regular board meeting of October 9, 2014.

The board approved the minutes of the regular board meeting of October 9, 2014, as presented.

VIII.B. Bill List

VIII.C. Treasurer's Report was given by Linda Schild.

VIII.D. Leaves of Absence

The submitted leave of absence requests were approved.

VIII.E. BG-1 Application for Conner High School -Window Infill

The board approved the BG-1 for the Conner High School window infill project, as presented.

VIII.F. American Association of School Administrators (AASA) Conference 2015 - Randy Poe

The board approved for Dr. Poe to attend the AASA Conference in San Diego on February 26-28, 2015 with approximate expenses of \$2500.00, as presented.

VIII.G. Equipment Maintenance Agreement NPES Copiers

The board approved the NPES Equipment Maintenance Agreement for copiers, as presented.

VIII.H. National School Board Association March 2015 Conference - Dr. Poe and Board Members

The board approved the travel and registration expenses for the Superintendent and confirmed to attend the NSBA 2015 Conference in Nashville, Tenn., estimated cost per member is \$1700.00, as presented.

VIII.I. Fresh Produce Bid -Refresh Produce

The board approved the Fresh Produce bid award to ReFresh Produce for the period of December 1, 2014 through November 30, 2015.

VIII.J. Dell Instrument Lease -RA Jones Middle School

The board approved the Dell Instrument Lease for RA Jones Middle School to Dell Financial Services in the amount of \$18,204.28 annual payment for 3 years, as presented.

VIII.K. American Association of School Administrators Conference 2015- Ed Massey

The board approved the Ed Massey to attend the AASA Conference in San Diego on February 26-28, 2015 with approximate expenses of \$2500.00, Mr. Massey will be presenting at the conference, as presented.

VIII.L. Boone County Schools -Roofing 2015 BG#15-063

The board approved the Boone County Schools -Roofing 2015 BG#15-063 project, as presented.

VIII.M. Erpenbeck Elementary-Controls Upgrade Project BG#15-065

The board approved the Erpenbeck Elementary-Controls Upgrade Project BG#15-065, as presented.

VIII.N. Boone County High School-HVAC Replacement Project BG#15-062

The board approved the Boone County High School-HVAC Replacement Project BG#15-062, as presented.

VIII.O. Approval of Schematic Design/Design Development Drawings, BG2 and BG-3 for Boone County High School HVAC Replacement BG#15-062

The board approved of the Schematic Design/Design Development Drawings, BG2 and BG-3 for Boone County High School - HVAC Replacement BG#15-062, as presented.

VIII.P. Boone County Schools Paving 2015 BG#15-064

The board approved the Boone County Schools Paving 2015 BG#15-064, as presented.

VIII.Q. Approval of Schematic Design/Design Development Drawings, BG2 and BG-3 for Erpenbeck Elementary Controls Upgrades BG#15-065

The board approved the Schematic Design/Design Development Drawings, BG2 and BG-3 for Erpenbeck Elementary - Controls Upgrade project BG#15-065, as presented.

VIII.R. Change Order #1-Florence Elementary-MEP Upgrades BG#14-0145

The board approved the Change Order #1-Florence Elementary-MEP Upgrades BG#14-0145, as presented.

VIII.S. Change Order #1-Boone County High School - MEP Upgrades BG#14-014

The board approved the Change Order #1-Boone County High School - MEP Upgrades BG#14-014, as presented.

VIII.T. Approval of Project Closeout-BG-5 Thornwilde Elementary BG11-032

The board approved the Project Closeout-BG-5 Thornwilde Elementary BG11-032, as presented.

VIII.U. National Girls Collaborative Project Mini Grant Parent/Daughter: Girls Stem Night Out

The board approved the agreement for the National Girls Collaborative Project Mini Grant Parent/Daughter: Girls Stem Night Out, as presented.

VIII.V. 2014-2015 Superintendent Evaluation System

The board approved the current Superintendent Evaluation System for 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

VIII.W. Sales Campaign Approvals

The board approved the Sales Campaigns, as presented.

VIII.X. Approval of Final Application BG-4 Gray Middle School Reroof BG#14-016

The board approved the Final Application BG-4 Gray Middle School Reroof BG#14-016, as presented.

VIII.Y. Federal Relations Network 2015 Conference - Ed Massey

For the board to approve Ed Massey to attend the Federal Relations Network 2015 Conference in Washington, DC, February 1-3, 2015 with the estimated cost of \$1000.00, as presented.

VIII.Z. Field Trip Request

The board approved the Field Trip request, as presented.

School	Date Of Trip	Location	Reason
Burlington Elementary	December 3, 2014	Frankfort	Educational
Conner High	March 16 or March 17, 2015	Lexington	Orchestra performance
Cooper High	February 6-10, 2015	Orlando, FL	Cheerleading Nationals
Goodridge Elementary	March 4, 2015	COSI	Educational
Longbranch Elementary	April 16, 2015	Connor Prairie	Educational
Ryle High	February 6-9, 2015	Orlando, FL	Cheerleading Nationals

VIII.AA. Bus Request- Hebron Baptist Church

The board approved the bus request from Hebron Baptist Church, as presented.

VIII.BB. Kentucky School Board Association (KSBA) Winter Symposium-Dr. Maria Brown

The board approved Dr. Maria Brown to attend the KSBA Winter Symposium on December 5th, 2014 in Louisville Kentucky with estimated travel and registration expense of \$300.00, as presented.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

- The board approve the change to the Board Policy 08.113- Graduation Requirements, as presented.
- The board approved the 2015-2016 Certified Evaluation Plan, as presented.
- The board approved the Boone County Board of Education and Boone County Education Association Contract Changes, as presented.
- The board approved the 2014-2015 Calendar Inclement Weather Recommendation, as presented.
- The board approved the New Job Description- Human Resource Generalist-Transportation, as presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Mr. George Sparks, of Barnes Denning Accounting firm, gave the Boone County Schools June 30, 2014 auditors detailed report along with a copy of financial statements with supplementary information. Mr. Sparks handed out a detailed report to the Superintendent and the board members. The audit results issues an unmodified (clean) opinions on both the financial statements and compliance with major federal programs. The executive summary of the audit was as follows: excellent cooperation from the District's finance staff, normal journal entries were made in the construction and general funds, no uncorrected (due to materiality levels) adjustments, no internal control matter are reportable, no significant difficulties or disagreements. Mr. Sparks gave the auditors and managements responsibility summary, statement of net position trends district-wide, revenues over expenses district-wide, balance sheet trends for general fund from 2011 to 2014, revenues over expenses general fund from 2011-2014, revenues over expenses food services from 2011-2014. Discussion and questions by Dr. Poe.
- Dr. Poe announced American Education Week will be November 17- 21, 2014. The district thanks the classified staff for their hard work to make sure our student receive a quality education. Dr. Poe, thanked the bus drivers, cafeteria workers, maintenance workers, para-educators and support staff in our district.
- Jim Detwiler, Learning Support Assistant Superintendent, gave a detailed report and update on the Facilities and Resources, PGES Implementation Progress, the TELL update and assurances update. MaryAnn Rankin, Director of Technology reported on the wireless technology upgrading plan for all schools by start of 15-16 school year. A powerpoint was given. Followed by discussion by Dr. Poe.
- Dr. Poe announced the district has received over 10 OASIS awards from KYSPRA, the awards will be officially announced on November 14, 2014 and we will have those listed on the website and acknowledge all of the awards at the December board meeting.

INFORMATION, PROPOSALS, COMMUNICATIONS

- Human Resource Actions
- Worker's Compensation Claims
- Overtime Report
- Construction Status Report

- Steve Templeton announced Ms. Karen Byrd was nominated and elected as the Regional Chairperson for KSBA at the recent meeting. The board congratulated Ms. Byrd for taking her time to take on this roll for the district.
- Dr. Maria Brown thanked Burlington Elementary for hosting a wonderful event for our students. She personally attended and stated the project of Burlington Business Engagement Tour at Burlington Elementary was a great experience for the students. Dr. Brown, thanked the CIPL parents, teachers, and April Traywick of the Prichard Committee for all their hard work to bring this to the students.
- Karen Byrd, Chairperson, announced a board workshop date was set for December 16, 2014 at 6:30 pm at Ralph Rush. The workshop will be for Innovation: High School Programs and Makerspace. The workshop will be advertised in the Recorder.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

(brief notes of comments)

- Mr. Klette, Florence, asked where to find the agenda. Dr. Poe stated that it is on the website the Friday before the board meeting.
- Ms. Carrie Cox, questioned the recent activity at Burlington Elementary during an event were students guided the guest in the school. She asked if those speakers had background checks. Dr. Poe and Maria Brown stated there is a procedure at the school of a pre-approved list for those speakers, they are escorted in the building and they sign in with their driver's license. As far as everyone that spoke at the event, Dr. Poe stated he would find out if there was a background check. Brief discussion followed.
- The following NKU College education major students introduced themselves to the board: Ian Caldwell, Jacqueline Kesterson-Kline, Rebecca Coleman, Samantha Mink, Steve Funke, Shumekia Overstreet, Angel Pruitt, Ivonne Rul, Rachael Gasser, Joshua Braden; Gateway Students: Taylor Orsburn, Cassie Studer, Brittany Champagne.

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**

December 11, 2014