

Board of Education September 19, 2024 Meeting

The Bedford County Board of Education met in a Regular monthly session on September 19, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the Central Office Board Room, 500 Madison Street, Shelbyville, TN 37160. Board members **Present:** Andrea Anderson, Shanna Boyette, David Brown, Michael Cook, Lana Craig, Brian Crews, Glenn Forsee, Dan Reed, Barton Williams.

I. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

A. Call to Order Chairman Michael Cook called the meeting to order, followed by a moment of silence, and the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Garci Finley and Jaxton Pilkington who are students at Eastside Elementary School.

B. Moment of Silence

C. Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Garci Finley and Jaxton Pilkington, 5th grade students at Eastside Elementary School

D. Opening Remarks Barton Williams recognized two students that were present from Leadership Bedford, Ben Betzelberger and Aliyah Blackburn

II. CONSENT AGENDA David Brown made a motion to add an item to the action items and Barton Williams seconded. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.

The amended Consent Agenda was approved by acclamation upon the motion and seconded by Glenn Forsee and Brian Crews.

Motion to to add an item to action items was made by David Brown and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

Motion to approve amended Consent Agenda was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Brian Crews. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

A. Approval of Agenda

B. Minutes from August Monthly Meeting

C. Minutes from August 8, 2024 Study Session

D. Community HS Skills USA Trip Request

E. Community HS FFA Trip Request

F. SCHS FFA Trip Request

G. FY 2025 - ARP Homeless 2.0 - Rev 0

H. FY 2025 - ATSI 22 Grant - Rev 0

I. FY 2025 - Innovative School Models (ISM) - Rev 0

J. FY 2025 - ESSER 3.0 - Rev 1

K. FY 2025 - ATSI 23 Grant - Rev 0

L. FY 2025 - Lottery for Education: Afterschool Programs (LEAPS) - Rev 0

M. FY 2025 - ESSER 3.0 - Rev 2

N. Policy Revisions

1. Policy 4.700 Testing Programs
2. 5.118 Background Investigations

O. Policies for Review

1. 1.108 Nepotism

III. PUBLIC COMMENT There was no public comment.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Good News Report Ms. Garrette gave a summary of the highlights in the Good News Report.

V. PRESENTATIONS There were no presentations.

VI. ACTION ITEMS - agenda amended at the meeting to add item M

A. Elect Board Chair

- A. Dr. Garrett asked for nominations. Brian Crews nominated Michael Cook and David Brown seconded. There were no other nominations. **Dr. Garrett asked for a vote of acclamation. All said yes, none opposed. Nomination passed with a 9-0 vote.** Mr. Cook thanked everyone for their vote of confidence.

Motion to elect Michael Cook for Board Chair was made by Brian Crews and seconded by David Brown. Motion Approved by
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

B. Elect Vice-Chair

Mr. Cook asked for nominations. Dan Reed nominated Brian Crews and David Brown seconded. **Nomination passed with a 9-0 vote.** Mr. Crews thanked everyone for their vote of confidence also. He said he is proud to represent all of our schools.

Motion to elect Brian Crews for Vice-Chair was made by Dan Reed and seconded by David Brown. Motion Approved by
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

C. Elect Legislative Representative

Brian Crews nominated Shanna Boyette and David Brown seconded. **Nomination passed by a 9-0 vote.** Mrs. Boyette thanked everyone for their opportunity to serve as the representative.

Motion to elect Shanna Boyette as Legislative Representative was made by Brian Crews and seconded by David Brown. Motion Approved by
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

D. Request to Approve Reward for Cascade Schools Staff

Dr. Garrett asked for approval of a reward from an anonymous donor. **Motion to approve by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Lana Craig. Motion carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Lana Craig. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

Motion to approve was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Lana Craig. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

E. RFQ for Construction Manager At-Risk (Capital Projects) - Selection date Sept. 18th.

There was much discussion on the process of deciding on a Construction Manager At-Risk. Robert Daniel explained the process of scoring each company and how the decision is made. **Motion was made to defer by Shanna Boyette and seconded by David Brown. Motion carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to defer was made by Shanna Boyette and seconded by David Brown. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

F. Bid 25-15 Robot Painter for Athletic Fields This bid is for a robot painter for Cascade. Tiny Mobile Robots US was the low bid. **Motion was made to approve by David Brown and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by David Brown. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

Motion to approve was made by David Brown and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

G. Bid 25-17 Desktop Driving Simulators for Student Drivers

This is for the CTE department at Cascade High School, purchased through the Innovative School Models Grant. Simulator Systems Intl. was the low bid. **Motion was made to approve by Brian Crews and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Brian Crews and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

H. Bid 25-4 HVAC Filters

Filterbuy is the low bid. **Motion was made to approve by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

I. Bid 25-5 Propane

Henley Propane is the low bid. **Motion was made to approve by Barton Williams and seconded by Glenn Forsee. Motion carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Barton Williams and seconded by Glenn Forsee. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

J. Bid 25-6 Roofing Repairs

Don Kennedy Roofing is the low bid. **Motion was made to approve by David Brown and seconded by Shanna Boyette. Motion carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by David Brown and seconded by Shanna Boyette. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

K. Policy 4.600 Grading System

The policy is updated to match legislation. "Grading floors with a minimum above zero are not permitted" is the new wording added to the policy. Dr. Garrett says if you earn a zero then you get a zero. **Motion was made to approve by Dan Reed and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Dan Reed and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

L. August Monthly Financial Report

Robert Daniel explained the financial report. **Motion to approve by Shanna Boyette and seconded by Brian Crews. Motion passed by a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Shanna Boyette and seconded by Brian Crews. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

M. Item added - Resolution Concerning Threats of Violence

Mr. Brown stated that he wanted the board to send a resolution to the TSBA State Convention on the Zero Tolerance Policy. Because of the many threats of violence that students are making, verbally and on social media, he would like for the state legislature to add to the law. He said he wants them to add students under 17 years of age serve a one-year sentence in Juvenile Detention and students over 17 years of age serve a one-year sentence in jail. Other board members agreed. Also wants to change line 5 of the policy to say ALL instead of VALID. Mr. Crews says all threats are serious. Mr. Brown asked that Brian Crews and Shanna Boyette draw up the resolution. **Motion was made to approve by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

VII. REPORT ITEMS

A. Monthly Tax Analysis Robert Daniel explained the tax collections.

B. Attendance Report Terise Rhodes was at the attendance conference. Mr. Cook stated the attendance report was in their folder. Dr. Garrett told the board that one teacher will be moved from Eakin to Cartwright because of the attendance numbers.

C. Board Owned Vehicles Report This is the annual report for the board.

D. Executive Committee Report Mr. Cook announced their will be a Strategic Planning Session on September 26, 2024 at 5:00. The next board meeting will be October 17th at 6pm at the Central Office, October is Bullying Prevention Month, October 2nd is School Custodian Day, October 16 is Unity Day and National Boss Appreciation Day. Surplus property declared for the Community Elementary, Central Office Server Room.

1. Surplus - Community Elementary Gym Technology

2. Surplus - Central Office Server Room Technology

E. Superintendent's Report Dr. Garrett stated that we need parents and other students to help us with school threats. She said "We will discipline students who are spreading threats that are not true threats as rumors." "Those students that are making threats will be expelled from school" Dr. Garrett affirmed. She said we will discipline anyone who disrupts the learning environment. Dr. Garrett wants everyone to know that we have a Homeland Security Agent and if your student makes a threat or is spreading rumors they will get a home visit from the agent.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Additional Acknowledgements Glenn Forsee asked Robert Daniel to bring a written breakdown of the amount that was spent on Cartwright Elementary School. Mr. Daniel said that he would do that.

B. FYI - Personnel

IX. ADJOURNMENT Glenn Forsee moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:09.