

## Board of Education December 19, 2024 Meeting

The Bedford County Board of Education met in a Regular monthly session on December 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 Blakelynn Hill and Ella Hill who are students at Cascade Elementary School.
- B. Moment of Silence
- C. Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Blakelynn Hill and Ella Hill, students at Cascade Elementary School
- D. Opening Remarks Mr. Cook recognized the Leadership Bedford students that were in attendance.

**II. CONSENT AGENDA** The Consent Agenda was approved by acclamation upon the motion and seconded by Shanna Boyette and Barton Williams.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda was made by Shanna Boyette and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion Approved by  
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Minutes from November Monthly Meeting
- C. Minutes from the November Fall Retreat
- D. Cascade HS Band Trip Request
- E. Cascade HS Science Bowl Team Trip Request
- F. SCHS Band Trip Request
- G. Harris Middle School Trip Request
- H. Cascade Middle Band Trip Request
- I. Cooper Steel Concrete Request
- J. CFA - Revision 2 - IDEA Part B
- K. Policies for Revision
  - 1. 4.606 Graduation Activities

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT** There was no public comment.

#### IV. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Good News Report Carol Garrette could not attend the meeting. Mr. Cook stated the Good News Report was in their folder and the report was also on the website.

#### V. PRESENTATIONS

A. SCHS AV Students SCHS AV Students - Neil Gordon introduced the video title "Gratitude" that was produced by his students. The video was then played for the board members. These character development videos are sponsored by Cooper Steel and they go out to all BCS students monthly.

#### VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. 2025-2026 School Calendar

Changes to note on the calendar are October 23<sup>rd</sup> will be a parent/teacher conference only day and not doubled up as a staff development day also. Students will finish on the Friday before Memorial Day and the day after Memorial Day is for staff only. Also, we have some teachers that live in Rutherford County and asked if our Spring Break could line up with Rutherford County's Spring Break so we made sure we did that. **Motion was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by David Brown. Motion was carried with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Glenn Forsee and seconded by David Brown. Motion

Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

B. SCHS Supplement Request

This request is for a strength coach, it will run through our Finance office with all benefits covered. **Motion was made by Barton Williams to approve and a second was by Shanna Boyette. Motion passed with a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Barton Williams and seconded by Shanna Boyette. Motion

Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

C. Athletic Lights

This is for athletic lights at every high school. We saved \$2.4 million on Cartwright Elementary and Dr. Garrett has worked with Robert Daniel to get approval to pull that money and fund the athletic lights. There were two bids, one from Energy Systems Group and one from Musco Sports Lighting. Musco is the low bidder and also has a better warranty. They will be able to start in January and finished before April. **Motion to approve made by David Brown and seconded by Dan Reed. Motion passed by a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by David Brown and seconded by Dan Reed. Motion Approved by

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

D. Administrative Offices Relocation to Old TCAT Building

Asking approval to begin the transition plan for the Central Office and Maintenance to the old TCAT Building. The new TCAT building should be ready by the Fall of 2025. The plan is in phases and will begin in 2026. **Motion to approve by Glenn Forsee and seconded by Shanna Boyette. Motion carried 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

E. Policy 3.215 Board Inspection and Acceptance of New Facilities  
This is a new policy that is needed and is for new buildings and additions. **Motion was made to approve by Dan Reed and seconded by Barton Williams. Motion carried 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

F. November Monthly Financial Report Robert Daniel was not in attendance but Mr. Cook talked with him about the report and everything looks to be on point. **Motion to approve by Brian Crews and seconded by Andrea Anderson. Motion passed by a 9-0 vote.**

Motion to approve was made by Brian Crews and seconded by Andrea Anderson. Motion Approved by  
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

## **VII. REPORT ITEMS**

A. Monthly Tax Analysis Mr. Cook stated that tax collections are a little up across the board.

B. Attendance Report Terise Rhodes gave a report on the homeschool numbers. She gave the board a copy of the report that she sends in twice a year to the state. She went over the report and explained what each category meant.

C. Budget Development Report This is an annual report to the board.

D. Cartwright Numbers This is a report to inform the board on the final numbers for the Cartwright Elementary School building.

E. Executive Committee Report Mr. Cook announced the next board meeting will be January 16<sup>th</sup> at the Central Office. He also stated that Pat Marsh and Shane Reeves will be at the February meeting to give a legislative update. Mr. Cook wants to hold a closed meeting in January to discuss school safety. The Legislative and Legal Institute will be February 10 and 11 in Franklin. Lieutenant Tony Barrett was in attendance. Mr. Cook recognized him for his 46 years at the Sheriff's Department and his time as SRO for the school system. He is retiring in January.

Surplus property declared for Maintenance, Eastside, Cascade HS, Community Middle, and Learning Way.

### 1. Surplus - Maintenance

2. Surplus - Eastside
3. Surplus - Cascade HS
4. Surplus - Community Middle
5. Surplus - Learning Way

F. Superintendent's Report Dr. Garrett announced the Tennessee Department of Education report card grades for the schools. We have 4 A's (Cascade High, Cascade Elementary, Cascade Middle and Thomas Magnet), 2 B's ( Community Elementary and Community High), 5 C's (Community Middle, Shelbyville Central High, Eakin, Eastside and Harris Middle), and 3 schools with a D (Learning Way, Liberty and Southside). Dr. Garrett also wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

## **VIII. OTHER BUSINESS**

- A. Additional Acknowledgements
- B. FYI - Personnel

**IX. ADJOURNMENT** Glenn Forsee moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 6:53.