

RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS
(MINUTES)
Regular Board Meeting
April 24, 2006

The Fayette County Board of Education met at 701 East Main Street, Lexington, KY at 6:00 p.m. on the 24th day of April, 2006, with the following members present: (1) **Kathy Lousignont**, (2) **Larry Conner**, (3) **Steve Hyndman** (4) **John Price** and (5) **Becky Sagan**.

Staff Members Present

Stu Silberman, Virginia Gregg, Mary Browning, George Rogers, Jack Hayes, Doug Gibson, Fabio Zuluaga, Lisa Stone, Lisa Deffendall, Greg Figgs, Kathy Dykes, Vince Mattox, Bob McLaughlin

A. Call to Order

Mrs. Lousignont called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Mrs. Lousignont, Mr. Conner, Dr. Hyndman, Mr. Price and Mrs. Sagan.

C. Extended Welcome to Guests

Mrs. Lousignont welcomed the guests and attendees to the meeting.

D. Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was observed.

E. National Anthem, Pledge of Allegiance, Mission Statement and Special Performance

Mr. Price led the pledge and read the Board Mission Statement.

F. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Conner and seconded by Mr. Price, to approve the agenda with the addition of an addendum, J.3 Actions for Post Approval and Claims. The motion carried with a vote of 5 to 0.

G. Introductions, Student Performances and Recognitions

1. Introductions

Mrs. Lousignont introduced the school representatives for the April 24th meeting.

- a. Teacher Representative: Michael Hackworth, Edythe J. Hayes Middle School
- b. Student Representative: Rachel Chancellor, Southside Technical Center

2. Student Performances – SCAPA

- a. Superintendent Silberman introduced Alex Early and Tyler Stahl who are two-time state winners in the duo acting category. The two students performed their duo act.
- b. Superintendent Silberman introduced Liz McElvin who placed first in the Interpretation of Literature in this year's state competition. Liz gave an interpretation of the "Wizard of Oz".

3. Recognitions

a. Hamir Jeong, Picadome Elementary, First Place Korean/English Translation Contest

Mrs. Lousignont introduced Hamir Jeong, a Picadome Elementary Kindergartener who defeated twenty other students to win first place during the Korean School Association of Midwest USA competition in Chicago.

b. Matthew Hensley, Beaumont Middle School, National Geographic Bee, Kentucky State Winner

Mrs. Lousignont introduced Matt Hensley, a student at Beaumont Middle School who won first place at the Kentucky Geographic Bee for the second year in a row.

c. Ryan Kurz and Mallory Morehead, Henry Clay High School, Co-Champions, Kentucky High School Speech League State Debate Tournament

Mrs. Lousignont introduced Mallory Morehead and Ryan Kurz who were named co-state champions in the Novice Lincoln-Douglas debate category at the Kentucky High School Speech League.

d. Henry Clay Debate Team, Second Place in Kentucky High School Speech League State Debate Tournament

Mrs. Lousignont introduced the Henry Clay Debate Team who placed second in the Kentucky High School Speech League State Debate Tournament.

e. SCAPA Speech Team, First Place in Kentucky High School Speech League State Debate Tournament

Mrs. Lousignont introduced the SCAPA Bluegrass Speech Team, winner of the Kentucky High School Speech League State Tournament for the ninth year in a row.

f. Calendar Art Winners

Mrs. Lousignont introduced the following winners of the Art Calendar Contest. There were 148 pieces of artwork submitted.

Pete Arunpullo – Tates Creek High School, Hannah Arvin – Lexington Traditional Magnet, Summer Beatty – Yates Elementary, Jordan Brewer – Veterans Park Elementary, Renee Clark – southern Elementary, Skylar Mays – Maxwell Elementary, Jacob McCubbins – Cardinal Valley Elementary, Shelby Morton – Stonewall Elementary, Elijah Owens – Linlee Elementary, Amber Pearce – Bryan Station High School, Kayla Taylor – Ashland Elementary, Eleanor Todd – SCAPA Bluegrass, Malik Wilson – Northern Elementary.

4. Proclamation

a. Teacher Appreciation Week

Mr. Conner read a proclamation for Teacher Appreciation Week.

H. Reports, Communications and Proclamations

1. Progress Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

a. High School Principals – Small Learning Communities

Mr. Figgs introduced the following who gave a presentation regarding the Small Learning Communities at their school and received questions from the Superintendent and Board Members.

Bryan Station High School – Gladys Peeples and Nancy Gilligan
Henry Clay High School – John Nocta and Donna Kerley
Lafayette High School – Mike McKenzie
Paul Laurence Dunbar High School – Anthony Orr and Jennifer Kendall
Tates Creek High School – Sam Meaux and Liz Pelfrey

Mrs. Lousignont suggested that we need to compile a summary of the Small Learning Communities to make available to the community.

- b. Support Services Position Control Document Monthly Report – Written Report**
- c. One Community One Voice – Written report**
- d. Monthly Construction Report – Written report**

- 2. Remarks by Citizens** – Barbara Hatton and Nekesha Cozart, teachers from Harrison Elementary, signed up to speak regarding the smaller class size RFPs’ submitted by Harrison.

I. Approval of Routine Matters

- 1. *Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2006*
- 2. *Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 27, 2006*
- 3. *Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes of March 29, 2006*
- 4. *Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes of March 31, 2006*

A motion was made by Dr. Hyndman and seconded by Mr. Price, to approve the minutes. The motion carried with a vote of 5 to 0.

J. Approval of Consent Items

- a.** *A motion was made by Mrs. Sagan and seconded by Mr. Price, to receive the information items and approve the action items in the consent section of the agenda. The motion carried with a vote of 5 to 0.*
 - 1. Award of Bids/Proposals and Bid Contract Extensions
 - 2. Monthly Financial Report for the Month of April 2005
 - 3. Actions for Post Approval and Claims
 - 4. Special and Other Leave of Absences
 - 5. Requests from Principals for Extended Trips
 - 6. Professional Leave by District Personnel
 - 7. Approval of Naming Room 107 at It’s About Kids Support Services in Memory of Bonnie Kelley
 - 8. Declaration of Surplus and Intent to Sell
 - 9. Approval of Treasurer’s Bond
 - 10. Request for a Shortened School Day
 - 11. Summer School Tuition
 - 12. Requests for Proposals – Math Grants
 - 13. RFP Report

K. Approval of Action Items**14. Discovery Health Curriculum Contract**

A motion was made by Mr. Price and seconded by Dr. Hyndman to approve the Discovery Health Curriculum contract for use by ten schools awarded PEP grants. The motion carried with a vote of 5 to 0.

15. Certified Staff Evaluation Plan approval

Superintendent Silberman stated some minor adjustments had been made since the Planning Meeting and FCPS may be the only district in the state that ties student achievement to evaluations. Mrs. Lousignont suggested that we needed to share with the community the fact that teacher evaluations are tied to student achievement.

A motion was made by Mr. Price and seconded by Mr. Conner, to approve the revised Certified Staff Evaluation Plan for all certified Fayette County Public School staff members. The motion carried with a vote of 5 to 0.

16. Independent Auditor's Contract

A motion was made by Dr. Hyndman and seconded by Mrs. Sagan to award the audit contract for Fiscal 2006 to Strothman & Company PSC. The motion carried with a vote of 5 to 0.

17. Approval of a Reduction in Retainage on the Construction Contract for the New Athens-Chilesburg Elementary School BG 04-349

A motion was made by Mrs. Sagan and seconded by Mr. Conner, to approve the reduction of the contract retainage to five percent of the total contract amount on the contract with D.W. Wilburn, Inc. for the construction of the new Athens-Chilesburg Elementary School, per the provisions of KAR 4:160. The motion carried with a vote of 5 to 0.

L. Informational Items

1. **Personnel Changes**
2. **2006 Graduation Dates**

M. Oral Communications

1. **Public** – No citizens signed up to speak
2. **Board Request Summary** – No board requests
3. Other Business
 - a. **Board**

Discussion of Board Work

Mrs. Lousignont stated that she had received a Governance Guide template for consideration and that she would review it and send a summary to the other Board members.

A discussion was held among the Board members regarding the Citizens' Comments (teachers from Harrison Elementary). The two teachers from Harrison addressed the Board regarding their smaller class size RFP that had been rejected.

- b. **Staff**

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N. **Motion Making Agenda Part of the Official Board Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Conner and seconded by Mr. Price to make the agenda dated April 24, 2006, which action has been taken at this meeting, a part of the minutes as if copied in the minutes verbatim. The motion carried with a vote of 5 to 0.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Price and seconded by Mr. Conner to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 5 to 0.

CHAIR

SECRETARY