

**MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Regular Session - November 8, 2011**  
**Seminar Center**

**LOCAL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL SESSIONS**

The Board members met with the Local School Improvement Councils of the following schools on Tuesday, November 8, 2011, at 6:00 PM in the Mercer County Technical Education Seminar Center:

Athens Elementary School  
Bluewell Elementary School  
Brushfork Elementary School  
Ceres Elementary School  
Lashmeet/Matoaka School  
Melrose Elementary School  
Montcalm Elementary School  
Oakvale Elementary School  
Spanishburg Elementary School  
Sun Valley Elementary School

The principals introduced members of their school councils.

The LSIC session was concluded at 7:01 PM.

A brief recess was taken, and the meeting reconvened in regular session at 7:15 PM. Members present were Gregory Prudich, Gilbert Bailey, Edward (Ted) Gillespie, Mary Alice Kaufman, Lynne White, and Deborah S. Akers, Secretary.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Roger Daniels, Administrative Assistant/Director of Human Resources, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**RECOGNITIONS / PRESENTATIONS** - None

**CITIZENS INPUT** - None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Mrs. Kaufman, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the Minutes of October 20, 2011, as submitted.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Proclamation - American Education Week**

Board Memo #88

On motion of Mrs. White, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the following Proclamation for American Education Week.

**AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility and equality; and

**WHEREAS**, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and

**WHEREAS**, education employees, be they substitute educators, teachers, administrators, or support professionals, work tirelessly to serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and

**WHEREAS**, schools encourage community, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders, and elected officials in a common enterprise.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Gregory Prudich, serving as President of the Mercer County Board of Education, do hereby proclaim November 13-19 as the 90<sup>th</sup> annual observance of American Education Week.

Signed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_/s/ Gregory Prudich\_\_\_\_\_  
Gregory Prudich, President  
Mercer County Board of Education

**Grading Policy Waiver - Melrose Elementary School**

Board Memo #89

On motion of Mrs. White, seconded by Mr. Bailey, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the Grading Policy Waiver on behalf of Melrose Elementary School, allowing them to use the Reading First Report Card. No additional funds are needed for this request.

**Grading Policy Waiver - Whitethorn Elementary School**

Board Memo #90

On motion of Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mrs. White, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the Grading Policy Waiver on behalf of Whitethorn Elementary School, allowing them to use the Reading First Report Card. No additional funds are needed for this request.

**Grading Policy Waiver - Oakvale Elementary School**

Board Memo #91

On motion of Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mrs. White, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the Grading Policy Waiver on behalf of Oakvale Elementary School, allowing them to use the Reading First Report Card. No additional funds are needed for this request.

**Nortel Routing and Power Over Ethernet Switches**

Board Memo #92

In accordance with Mercer County Policy D-04, quotations were obtained from CDW, Pomeroy and Cxtec for a Nortel Ethernet Routing Switch and a Stackable Power over Ethernet Switch. The following responses were received:

Vendor	Price
Cxtec	\$10,863.70
Pomeroy	\$14,246.00
CDW	\$20,235.98

On motion of Mrs. Kaufman, seconded by Mrs. White, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the purchase of the Ethernet switch and the stackable power switch from Cxtec of Syracuse, NY.

**RFP 213 E-Rate Application Processing & Consulting Services**

Board Memo #93

RFP 213 was issued for E-Rate application process and consulting services beginning with E-rate funding year 2012-2013. Proposals were received from the following vendors:

Educational Funding Group, Inc.  
Janice Meyers Educational Consulting, LLC

A selection committee was established for the purpose of ranking vendor responses. The committee ranked Educational Funding Group highest.

On motion of Mrs. White, seconded by Mrs. Kaufman, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board awarded RFP 213 to Educational Funding Group for \$28,000 for the first year's consulting services.

**Personnel**

Board Memo #94

On motion of Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mrs. Kaufman, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the following items on the personnel agenda and addendum:

**Professional**

**TRANSFERS:**

**MARGARET LLOYD**, from Teacher, PikeView High School, to Teacher (Health), Princeton Senior High School, effective with the beginning of the second semester.

**SUSAN MOORE**, from Special Education Teacher, Technical Education Center, to Special Education Teacher (LD/BD/MI), Itinerant, effective with the beginning of the second semester.

**CONTRACTED SERVICES:**

**21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM TEACHERS**

**PikeView Middle School**

Amy Harrison  
Heather Hopkins-Bowman  
Sherri Mitchem

**Princeton Middle School**

Sara Ballengee  
Karen Henkes  
Bonnie Roberts

**HOME/HOSPITAL INSTRUCTORS**

Cathy Bailey  
Heather Hopkins-Bowman  
Mary E. Lohr-Robinette  
N. Nicole Davis  
Srene Lokay

**EXTRA-DUTY ASSIGNMENTS**

**PikeView Middle School**

Brandi Wilson

**Princeton Middle School**

Tammy Weatherly

**ACADEMIC BOWL COACHES**

**Montcalm High School**

Priscilla Hall

**Princeton Senior High School**

Laura Presley

**COACHING**

**Princeton Middle School**

Employ: Carmen Stauffer, Girls Basketball Coach

**Montcalm High School**

Employ: Steven McClanahan, Asst. Boys Basketball Coach (middle school) (pending receipt of WVDE certification)

Employ: Adam Havens, Girls Basketball Coach (middle school program) (pending receipt of WVDE certification)

Employ: Richard Sigmon, II, Asst. Boys Basketball Coach (pending receipt of WVDE certification)

Employ: Adam Havens, Asst. Boys Basketball Coach (pending receipt of WVDE certification)

Employ: Eric Lester, Asst. Girls Basketball Coach

**PikeView High School**

Employ: Enola Foust, Cheerleader Coach

Volunteer: David Meddings, Girls Basketball (pending receipt of WVDE certification)

Resignation: Steve Bailey, Asst. Girls Basketball Coach

**Princeton Senior High School**

Resignation: Keith Anderson, Asst. Weightlifting Coach

Resignation: Ralph Ball, Jr., Asst. Girls Basketball Coach

**VOLUNTEERS**

**Bluewell Elementary School**

Shannon Ratcliff

**Glenwood School**

April McCoy Joseph McCoy Michelle Harman Lori Falls Janet Booth Amy Booth Brandon Dunford Debbie Stables Rene Neely Cheryl Henderson Crystal Wooldridge Paula Akers Lynn Chapman Sarah Ratliff Tammy Paitsel David Graham Jammie Suttle Laura Clay Heather Riggs Desiree Jarvis Chris Bell	Tabathea Neal David Bailey David Harman Nicholas Falls Anthony Booth Amy Dunford Kristopher Fortner Amanda Neely Michelle Lee Chuck Henderson Brian Payne Terry Akers Darin Chapman Rex Ratliff Craig Paitsel Jeri Lynn Graham Kirby Suttle Lonnie Mullins Michael Grossi Kara Mullins
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**Mercer County Early Learning Center**

Lucinda Lusk Natilee Plass Angela Scott	Larrissa Roberts Charlie Croy
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**Oakvale Elementary School**

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**Lashmeet/Matoaka Elementary School**

Amanda Weese	Carla Woodring
Crystale Farmer	Daphne Collins
Debby Weese	Hannah Sheets
Lou Smith	Stephanie Bailey
Terri Shrewsbury	Tina Hester
Tracy Smith	Vicki Stobaugh
Melody & Robert Akers	Ronald & Tonya Barlow
Charlie & Kristen Brown	Steven & Amanda Champ
Scott & Jami Clark	Kristi Coleman
Lisa & Danny Goins	Thomas & Karen Martin
Anna & Jason Johnson	Brandi Lambert
Susan Johnson	Rachel Meadows
Ember & Corey Meadows	Jennifer Shrewsbury
Joshua & Shelly Odle	Jerry & Susan Pacitto
Jessica Parson	Terah & David Poff
Bobby & Tracy Samosky	Charles & Betty Shrewsbury
Crystal & Daniel Sparks	Vicki & Brad Stobaugh
Delores Farmer	Mandi & Timothy Wright
Amy Boyd	Jennifer Franklin
Stephanie Cecil	Tracy Smith
Brandy Blankenship	Tiffiney Powell
Alina Lipscombe	Anita Hess
Judith McPherson	Jessica Bailey
Mandi Wright	Stephanie Adkins
Melanie Mills	Carolyn Hurst
Brandi Coburn	Crystal Mullins
Erica Lester	Holly Meadows
James Bilotta	Kerri Graham
Kim Sizemore	Letha Jenkins
Rosanna Salem	Roy Graham
Sarah Jenkins	Virginia Harmon
Wanda Combs	Jeff Barlow
Deborah Staton	Phyllis Billings
Wayne Billings	Timmy Billings
Jonathan Davis	Danny Collins
Brandi McHugh	Rhonda Davis
Amanda Fisher	Matthew Fisher
Talisha Foskett	Paul Foskett
Joshua Fowler	Jerilyn Fowler
Elizabeth Hypes	Justin Hypes
David Jones	Crystal Jones

Teia Laxton  
Heather Meadows  
Misty Meadows  
Wendy Posey  
Linda Shrader  
Vicki Stobaugh  
Cynthia Wuestefeld  
Rebecca Brim  
Emily Hodovan  
Ellen Johnston  
Melinda Shrewsbury  
Carol Dickerson  
Brandy Bishop  
Linda McKinney  
Elizabeth Brown  
Tina Hester  
Sharon Smith  
Angela Allen  
Robert Craig  
Priscilla & David Farmer  
Sarah Howard  
Diane Parson  
Kelly & Timmy Lyle  
Christina Neal  
Kendra Dwayne Phillips  
Heather Phillips  
Karey Hedlund  
Jessica & Roy Wray  
Heather Mills  
Freida McPherson  
Reba Bevers  
Susan Sherwood  
Steffie Thompson  
Dana Graham  
Lisa Goins  
Jessica Hensley  
Mona Laxton  
Shannon Brim  
Amy Lowe  
Ellen Collins

Brian Laxton  
Keith Meadows  
Kerry Merritt  
Danny Posey  
William Shrader  
Vanessa Thompson  
Bryan Wuestefeld  
Crystale Farmer  
Heather Howell  
Jennifer Rust  
Becky White  
Sarah Jenkins  
Hattie Church  
Darrell & Tammy Nicholson  
Melinda Bailey  
Teresa Graham  
Tina Mitchem  
Shelby Wallace  
Stephanie Drewes  
Anthony & Sarah Mills  
Randy & Renee Huffman  
Julie Long  
Karry Shrewsbury  
Adam & MacKenzee Pettrey  
Vernal & Jennie Dove  
Marlena Epperson  
Nancy & Harvey Semones  
Joseph & April McCoy  
Amerio Smith  
Mellisa McBride  
Virginia Stinnette  
Kenny Blankenship  
James Bevers  
Stephanie Bailey  
David Graham  
Danny Glins  
William Hensley  
Rebecca Brim  
Linda Mitchem  
Kim Akers



## Service Personnel

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**

**JENNIFER CROWE**, Autism Mentor, Princeton Primary School, requests an extension to her Family Leave through January 9, 2012.

### **TRANSFERS:**

**KENNETH FARLEY**, from Custodian III (200 day), Spanishburg Elementary School, to Custodian III (212 day), Sun Valley Elementary School, effective November 14, 2011. (Note: Shift: 7:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.)

**DEBORAH SHREWSBURY**, from Cook II, Montcalm High School, to Cook II, PikeView Middle School, effective November 14, 2011.

### **EMPLOYMENT:**

**DEVIN CORDLE**, Custodian III (205 day), Bluefield Middle School, effective November 14, 2011. (Note: Shift: 3:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.)

**ANGELIA BROWN**, Custodian I (200 day), PikeView Middle School, effective November 14, 2011. (Note: Shift: 3:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.)

**DONNA MINNIX**, Autism Mentor (**temporary**), Princeton Primary School, effective November 14, 2011. **Note: This is a temporary position pending the return of the regular employee.**

### **CONTRACTED SERVICES:**

## **RECLASSIFICATION OF AIDE**

### **Bluefield Intermediate School**

Karen Fitzgerald  
Angela Mooney

### **Melrose Elementary School**

Vickie Akers  
Elouise Holstein

## **ADDENDUM**

### **Professional**

#### **RESIGNATION:**

**DREMA SHREWSBURY**, Teacher, PikeView Middle School, effective November 30, 2011.

Reason: Retirement

#### **CONTRACTED SERVICES:**

### **COACHING**

#### **Bluefield Middle School**

Employ: Mike Henry, Girls Basketball Coach

Employ: Joshua Riffe, Asst. Boys Basketball Coach

### **PROFESSIONAL SUBSTITUTE**

Roger Cox (pending receipt of WVDE certification)

### **Service Personnel**

#### **TRANSFERS;**

**HEATHER COOK**, from Cook II (part-time), Princeton Primary School, to Cook II (part-time), Glenwood School, effective November 14, 2011.

**DANNY COMPTON**, from Bus Operator, Montcalm Area (current Bus #530), to Bus Operator, Princeton Area (current Bus #538), effective November 14, 2011.

**WILLIAM TAYLOR**, from Bus Operator, Lashmeet/Matoaka/PikeView Area (current Bus #584), to Bus Operator, Spanishburg/Princeton Area (current Bus #589), effective November 14, 2011.

#### **EMPLOYMENT:**

**RICKY FARLEY**, Bus Operator, Lashmeet/Matoaka/PikeView Area (current Bus #567), effective November 14, 2011.

**MICHAEL HORTON**, Bus Operator, Princeton Area (current Bus #594), effective November 14, 2011.

**CHRISTY FOBERT**, Cook II (part-time), Bluefield Middle School, effective November 14, 2011.

**RFQ 214 Hunnicutt Field Maintenance**

Board Memo #95

RFP 214 was issued to obtain quotations for maintenance on the Hunnicutt baseball field. Maintenance to include deep tine core aeration, removal of all cores, application of fall starter fertilizer, overseeding with bluegrass, providing one load of infield mix and laser leveling of the infield. Bidders were also asked to provide alternate pricing for top dressing with 100 tons of sand over the turf area utilizing approved top dressing equipment.

Quotations were sent to four vendors, and the following response was received:

Vendor	Price
Carolina Green Corporation	\$12,060
Alt 1, Sand	<u>\$ 5,500</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$17,560

Funding for this maintenance will be from the Hunnicutt account.

On motion of Mrs. White, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board awarded RFP 214 to Carolina Green Corporation in the amount of \$12,060.00.

**DISCUSSION**

None

**WRITTEN REPORTS**

None

**INFORMATION**

“Get A Life” Financial Education Program  
Policy Manual Revisions  
Executive Summaries - LSIC Session  
Superintendent’s Report

**UPCOMING EVENTS/BOARD MEETINGS**

Date	Time	Location	Event
November 8	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Seminar Center	LSIC Sessions and Regular Board Meeting
November 9	Morning	Bluefield High Gym	Mercer County Wellness Council Health Fair

November	Lunches	Princeton Primary	Veterans' Appreciation Day with Special Guest U.S. Congressman Nick Joe Rahall
November 10	4:00 PM	Seminar Center	Truancy Reduction Forum with WV Supreme Court Justice Robin Davis
Nov. 14-18	All Day	County-wide	American Education Week
November 17	6:00 p.m.	Princeton Church of God	2011 Teacher of the Year Banquet
Nov. 17-18	All Day	The Greenbrier	WV Reading Asso. 56 <sup>th</sup> Conference
Nov. 18	TBA	PMS	National Guard Inflatable Course
Nov. 22	7:00 PM	Seminar Center	Board Meeting
Nov. 23-27		County-wide	Fall Break (Thanksgiving)
December 13	7:00 PM	Seminar Center	Board Meeting
December 27	7:00 PM	Seminar Center	Board Meeting

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Nothing further appearing, on motion of Mr. Gillespie, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Deborah S. Akers, Secretary