The Mercer County Board of Education met in special session at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, July 30, 2019, in the Seminar Center at Mercer County Technical Education Center, Princeton, WV.

Members present were Paul Hodges, Jacinda Santon Smith, Gilbert Bailey, Mary Alice Kaufman, Greg Prudich, and Deborah Akers, Secretary.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Rick Ball, Assistant Superintendent, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CITIZENS INPUT

Mr. Jerome T. Powell addressed the Board regarding racial bias of standardized tests, particularly the SAT test which, according to Mr. Powell, is biased toward African Americans and other minorities.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mercer County Board of Education Goals 2019-2020
Superintendent Goals 2019-2020
Board Memo #31

On motion of Ms. Kaufman, seconded by Mr. Prudich, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board approved Mercer County Board of Education Goals and Superintendent Goals for 2019-2020 as revised.

MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS 2019-2020
SUPERINTENDENT GOALS 2019-2020

Goal One: Provide support and resources so that teachers might utilize all available tools to ensure maximum student academic excellence through quality programs and innovative teaching for the twenty-first century.

Goal Two: Focus on providing a school culture that promotes the mental, social, and emotional health of students. Support policies that promote safe schools.

Goal Three: Ensure that technological proficiency is a part of the learning experience of all students and that students are offered the opportunity to explore careers in technology such as coding, robotics, and cyber security.

NEW BUSINESS

Contract for Security Services with Princeton City Police
Board Memo #33

On motion of Mr. Prudich, seconded by Ms. Smith, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board approved a contract for security services with Princeton City Police.

**Personnel**

Board Memo #34

On motion of Ms. Smith, seconded by Mr. Bailey, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the following personnel agenda, contingent upon the return of an acceptable background check and drug testing:

**Personnel Agenda**

_July 30, 2019_

**Note:** Employment is contingent upon acceptable background checks and drug testing.

**Professional Transfers:**

_Tonya Rowe_, from Teacher, Memorial Primary School, to Kindergarten Teacher, Brushfork Elementary School, effective August 5, 2019.

_Emily Mallamaci_, from Special Education Teacher, Bluefield Intermediate School, to Special Education Teacher, Montcalm Elementary School, effective August 5, 2019.

_Shynann Carr_, from Teacher, Lashmeet/Matoaka School, to Math Teacher, Princeton Middle School, effective August 5, 2019.

_Karen Vannatter_, from School Counselor (210 day), Glenwood School, to School Counselor (210 day), Princeton Middle School, effective August 5, 2019.

_James Sutphin, Jr._, from Math Teacher, Bluefield High School, to Special Education Teacher, Bluefield High School, effective August 5, 2019.

_April Dye_, from Special Education Teacher (Alternative Certification), Princeton Middle School, to Special Education Teacher (Alternative Certification), Princeton Senior High School, effective August 5, 2019.

_Sabrina Burner_, from School Counselor (205 day), Itinerant, to School Counselor (205 day), Itinerant (different location), effective August 5, 2019.

_Megan Frey_, from Special Education Teacher, Itinerant, to Special Education Teacher, Mountain Valley Elementary School, effective August 5, 2019.
Mindy Meadows, from Teacher, Lashmeet/Matoaka School, to Teacher, Melrose School, effective August 5, 2019.

Employment:

Sara Lacaria, School Counselor (205 day), Itinerant, effective July 31, 2019.

Emily Addair, Teacher, Bluefield Intermediate School, effective August 5, 2019.

Michael Michelle Pettus, Art Teacher, Princeton Middle School, effective August 5, 2019.


Christina Lester, Teacher, Brushfork Elementary School, effective August 5, 2019.


Mallori Goff, Teacher, Bluefield Intermediate School, effective August 5, 2019.

Coaching

(All coaching positions are pending, WVSSAC receipt of certification)

PikeView Middle School:
Volunteer: Leland Hedrick, Football

PikeView High School:
Volunteer: Amanda Taylor Shrewsbury

Princeton Middle School:
Volunteer: Sharma Autrey, Cheerleading Coach

Extra-Curricular Contracts

Mercer County Technical Education Center:
Tim Saddler-Welding Adult Evening Instructor
Valerie Mack-Evening Program (Tuesday and Thursday)

Home/Hospital Instructors

Colleen Nunnery  Wendy Fowler
Charles Angell  Ernest Gilliard
Ronda Lawrence  Susan Hatcher

Professional Substitutes
Add:
Kermit Bryan Johnson
Physical Education K-12
School Library/Media K-12

Remove:
Jane Jessee

Service Personnel

Resignations:

Darrell Cook, Bus Operator, Transportation Department, effective June 30, 2019. Reason: Retirement

Helen Shaver, Cook II, PikeView Middle School, effective July 31, 2019. Reason: Retirement

Transfers:

Gregory White, from Custodian IV (240 day), Shift: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Princeton Primary School, to Custodian IV, (240 day), Shift: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Mercer County Technical Education Center, effective August 5, 2019.

Susan Johnson, from Cook II (part-time), Sun Valley Elementary School, to Cook II, PikeView Middle School, effective August 5, 2019.

Jason Cordle, from Custodian I (200 day), Shift: 1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Glenwood School, to Custodian IV, (240 day), Shift: 6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Mercer School, effective August 5, 2019.

Virginia Bailey, from Cook III, Montcalm High School, to Cook II, Montcalm High School, effective August 5, 2019.

Rosanna Bratton, from Special Education Aide, Princeton Middle School, to Special Education Aide, Bluewell School, effective August 5, 2019.

Tammy Rotenberry, from Secretary/Accountant II (210 day), Bluefield Middle School, to Secretary/Accountant II (210 day), Glenwood School, effective August 5, 2019.

Kathy Barker, from Cook II, PikeView Middle School, to Cook III, Memorial Primary School, effective August 5, 2019.

Extra-Curricular Bus Runs
First Semester Only (2019) As Needed
MCTEC to BHS 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
BHS to MCTEC 12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
BHS to MCTEC 1:40 p.m. - 2:10 p.m.  
BHS to MCTEC 8:05 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  
BHS to MCTEC 9:45 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.  
MCTEC to BHS 9:40 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.  
MHS to MCTEC 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  
MCTEC to MHS 9:40 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.  
MCTEC to MHS 11:20 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.  
MHS to MCTEC 1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
MHS to MCTEC to MCTEC 12:00 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.  
PVHS to MCTEC 8:05 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  
PVHS to MCTEC 8:05 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  
PVHS to MCTEC 9:40 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.  
MCTEC to PVHS 9:40 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.  
MCTEC to PVS to MCTEC 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
MCTEC to PVHS 2:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.  
Activity Run PVHS to SPS to LMS 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Activity Run PVHS to ATS to OKS 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  

**Service Substitutes**

**Add:**  
Jack Miller-PEDS Truck Driver

**Remove:**  
Gary Hager-PEDS Driver

**DISCUSSION**

The discussion focused on the levy.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On motion of Ms. Kaufman, seconded by Mr. Prudich, and by a 5-0 vote, the Board withdrew into Executive Session from 8:00 P.M. to 8:12 P.M. according to WV Code 6-9A-4(b)(6) matter relating to litigation.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Nothing further appearing, Mr. Prudich moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Smith, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 P.M.

Deborah S. Akers, Secretary