KATIE WEBB, SUPERINTENDENT

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MISSION: ALL IN for building relationships to personalize learning that inspires, challenges, and equips each student to dream, to persist, and to succeed!

LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING – WORKING BUDGET

Inspire to Dream * Challenge to Persist * Equip to Succeed

September 29, 2026
6:00 p.m. ET (5:00 CT)

IN PERSON & VIDEO TELECONFERENCE
Primary Location:
Lawrence County High School Library
Louisa, Kentucky

Public viewing of the meeting was available via the Internet using this link:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeObmWjYrXWRbaqkBEyznxg

Attendance Taken at 6:00 p.m.:

Present Board Members:
Mr. James See, Chair
Ms. Maddlene Roberts, Vice-Chair
Ms. Barbara Robinson
Ms. Garnett Skaggs

Absent Board Members:
Ms. Susie Rice

Present: Superintendent Katie H. Webb; Director of Districtwide Services/Chief Information Officer Thomas Burns; Board Secretary Betty Mullins; Finance Officer Brandi Peters (by cell phone)

OFFICIAL MINUTES

PRIMARY PURPOSE: Approve 26-27 Working Budget

1. CALL TO ORDER
Mission and Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag

Chairman See called to order the September 29, 2026 Special-Called Meeting of the Lawrence County Board of Education, stating that the primary purpose of the meeting was to approve the 26-27 Working Budget. Mr. See stated the Mission of Lawrence County Schools: **ALL IN for building relationships to personalize learning that inspires, challenges, and equips each student to dream, to persist, and to succeed**, then he led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2. COMMUNICATION

Mrs. Webb noted that with this being Fall Break week no students are on campus except sports teams. She thanked the Fiscal Court for hosting our high school agriculture students at the fairgrounds for activities to celebrate statewide All In Ag Week. Students from schools across the district were bused in to experience learning activities at various Ag stations, including livestock care and farm equipment safety. She praised our culinary students and Mrs. Marcum who partnered with LC Tourism and Wes Kingsmore to host the regional meeting of tourism directors. She recognized Blaine Elementary for partnering with the health department for the Lawrence County Health Fair and for another successful Heritage Day Celebration and for hosting the monthly Rotary meeting.

3. STUDENT LEARNING AND SUPPORT SERVICES

3.A. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approve **Consent Agenda** items, as indicated, passed with a motion by Ms. Garnett Skaggs and a second by Ms. Barbara Robinson.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mr. James See	Yes
Ms. Maddlene Roberts	Yes
Ms. Barbara Robinson	Yes
Ms. Garnett Skaggs	Yes
Ms. Susie Rice	Absent

3.A.1. Per diem and expenses for members in attendance

3.A.2. CONTRACTS/SERVICES:

3.A.2.a. LCHS Travel Agreement with Olympus Car and Coach of Alcoa, TN, to All-Star Music Resort, Lake Buena Vista, Florida, pending liability insurance; and permission to use the common carrier/charter bus for the April 2027 LCHS Senior Trip with the RATIONALE provided; Lynda Peterson and Wrendi McDavid

RATIONALE inserted: *With the number of seniors and chaperones making this trip, two school buses and four drivers would be needed to accommodate the amount of people plus the luggage and food over a course of several days. This would take away bus drivers and buses which may be needed in the district for school purposes. The bathroom on the bus will help with the long trip. It is also an opportunity for students who have never been on a charter bus to have the experience. In addition, there is more room to provide comfort for the students, and the drivers can switch out, which will cut down on the loss of travel time.*

3.A.2.b. LCHS Contract with Disney Destinations, LLC, for Senior Trip to Walt Disney World, Orlando, Florida; Disney's Pop Century Resort; April 2027; Wrendi McDavid and Lynda Peterson

3.A.2.c. On Time Sports (T-Shirt Renewal) Agreement with LCHS; Fall 2027 to Winter 2029; Wrendi McDavid

3.A.3. REQUESTS:

3.A.3.a. Fundraisers: LCHS, LWES

3.A.3.b. Out-of-State/Overnight Trip Permission: LCHS Senior Trip to Disney's Pop Century Resort, Orlando, Florida; April 2027; Lynda Peterson and Wrendi McDavid

3.A.4. FYI: Updated Comprehensive District Improvement Plan (CDIP) Committee

3.B. FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 WORKING BUDGET WORK SESSION

Overview: Katie H. Webb, Superintendent

Superintendent Webb began by stating that per the new state requirement for a minimum two-week review of the working budget, board members were provided with the working budget report by email on September 13. Additionally, a print copy was provided to members for the September 21 regular meeting. Mrs. Webb stated that, at this current meeting, step three of the annual budgeting process will be completed with their approval of the budget. The board begins budget planning for the upcoming school year in January (step one), updates the tentative working budget in May (step two), then approves the final working budget in

September (step three). She reminded the board that some budget numbers are best estimates, especially local tax revenue. However, she stated that the district is starting in a strong position although adjustments for diesel fuel costs may need to be made and to expect an impact to SEEK funding due to a drop in enrollment. Currently, the district is down thirty students from last school year. The total working budget is $37,741,614.83.

Working Budget Review and Discussion: Brandi Peters, Finance Officer

Finance Officer Brandi Peters, joining by cell phone, reviewed the structure of the working budget and pointed out specifics of the proposed working budget for the current school year. Specifically, the 2026-2027 Working Budget consists of the following:

- Reflects the prior two years of receipts and expenditures and the current year's budget appropriation for projected receipts and expenditures
- All funds are reflected in the working budget:
  - Fund 1 – General Fund
  - Fund 2 – Special Revenue Fund (state and federal grants)
  - Fund 21 – District Activity Funds
  - Fund 310 – Capital Outlay
  - Fund 320 – Building Fund
  - Fund 360 – Construction
  - Fund 400 – Debt Service
  - Fund 51 – Food Service
  - Fund 7000 – Scholarships
  - Funds 8 & 81 – Fixed Assets
- Must be Board approved and is due to KDE by September 30

Revenue

- 20% of the revenue reflected in the budget is from local revenue.
- 34% is from SEEK.
- 4% is from the carry forward/beginning balance, and Medicaid reimbursements
- 19% is from State On-Behalf Payments
- 11% of the budget is from state and federal grants
- 3% is restricted in Capital Outlay, Building Fund, and Construction Fund
- The remaining 9% is Food Service

Expenditures

- 57% is budgeted on Instruction, Student Support Services and Instructional Staff Support
- 2% is budgeted for District Administrative Support
- 3% is budgeted for School Administrative Support
- 1% is budgeted for Business Support
- 1% is budgeted for Community Services
- 13% is budgeted for Plant Operations and Maintenance
- 6% is budgeted for Student Transportation
- 4% is budgeted for Debt Service
- 9% is for Food Service operation
- 4.6% is reserved for the Contingency

- It is evident that students and instruction are a priority in Lawrence County Schools. Those three expenditure categories (Instruction, Student Support Services, and Instructional Staff Support) are driving the budget at 57%. Next closest categories are Plant Operations and Maintenance at 13% and Food Service at 9%.

In conclusion, Mrs. Peters stated that there will be changes to the budget as updates are received throughout the year, and those budget amendments will be brought back to the board. Two buses are budgeted for purchase this year, an additional SRO is still reflected in the budget, and funds are maintained in the board's special construction fund.

Total 2026-2027 Working Budget: $37,741,614.83

3.C. FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 WORKING BUDGET

Approval of the **FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 WORKING BUDGET** passed with a motion by Ms. Maddlene Roberts and a second by Ms. Garnett Skaggs.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mr. James See Yes
Ms. Maddlene Roberts Yes
Ms. Barbara Robinson Yes
Ms. Garnett Skaggs Yes
Ms. Susie Rice Absent

3.D. New Louisa West Elementary Project BG# 27-076: Viewing and approval of the schematic design for renovation of the former Lawrence County Community Center/Louisa West Elementary, BG#: 27-076 passed with a motion by Ms. Garnett Skaggs and a second by Ms. Barbara Robinson.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mr. James See Yes
Ms. Maddlene Roberts Yes
Ms. Barbara Robinson Yes
Ms. Garnett Skaggs Yes
Ms. Susie Rice Absent

3.E. Louisa East Elementary Renovation Project BG# 27-077: Viewing and approval of the schematic design for the Louisa East Elementary Renovation, BG#: 27-077, passed with a motion by Ms. Maddlene Roberts and a second by Ms. Garnett Skaggs.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mr. James See Yes
Ms. Maddlene Roberts Yes
Ms. Barbara Robinson Yes
Ms. Garnett Skaggs Yes
Ms. Susie Rice Absent

3.F. Approval to **TABLE** the FIRST READING of revised Policy 08.113 Graduation Requirements (Re: civics literacy requirement) passed with a motion by Ms. Barbara Robinson and a second by Ms. Maddlene Roberts.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mr. James See Yes
Ms. Maddlene Roberts Yes
Ms. Barbara Robinson Yes
Ms. Garnett Skaggs Yes
Ms. Susie Rice Absent

4. PERSONNEL

4.A. Approval of abolishment, creation, and/or changes regarding positions, as indicated, passed with a motion by Ms. Garnett Skaggs and a second by Ms. Maddlene Roberts.

The following is changed:

- **Change of position from Custodian (6 hours) to Maintenance I (8 hours)**

4 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mr. James See Yes
Ms. Maddlene Roberts Yes
Ms. Barbara Robinson Yes
Ms. Garnett Skaggs Yes
Ms. Susie Rice Absent

4.B. Approval to acknowledge receipt of **Superintendent's Personnel Action/Update** passed with a motion by Ms. Maddlene Roberts and a second by Ms. Barbara Robinson.

Superintendent's Personnel Action/Update

Resignations

Holman, Daniela	**FES**	**Instructional Assistant**

4 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mr. James See Yes
Ms. Maddlene Roberts Yes
Ms. Barbara Robinson Yes
Ms. Garnett Skaggs Yes
Ms. Susie Rice Absent

5. ADJOURNMENT

Closing remarks: ***Chairman See thanked online watchers for joining the broadcast and stated that the next scheduled meeting is the board's annual meeting at Fallsburg Elementary on Monday, October 19, at 6 pm. Mrs. Webb stated that Fall Break continues through Friday with classes resuming on Monday, and she wished everyone a safe and happy Fall Break.***

Approval to adjourn passed with a motion by Ms. Garnett Skaggs and a second by Ms. Barbara Robinson.

4 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mr. James See Yes
Ms. Maddlene Roberts Yes
Ms. Barbara Robinson Yes
Ms. Garnett Skaggs Yes
Ms. Susie Rice Absent

Chairman – James M. See

Secretary to the Board – Betty Mullins