

Board Proceedings (Minutes)

Meade County Board of Education
Stuart Pepper Middle School
1085 Old Ekron Rd, Brandenburg KY 40108

The Meade County Board of Education met at Stuart Pepper Middle School, Brandenburg, Kentucky, at 6:00 p.m. est (5:00pm cst), on the eighth of September, 2026, with the following members present: Steve Orr, Nathan Beavin, Alison Allen, and Sandy Smith.

The meeting was called to order by Steve Orr and the following business was transacted:

Good News in the Greenwave Nation:

Dr. Martin welcomed everyone and introduced two Meade County High School students who are members on the Student Advisory Council. Mattie Clanton and Lucinda Ayers spoke to the Board about their experience and involvement at Meade County High School and their future plans.

32 Consideration/Approval of Property Tax Rates for 2027

After discussion by the Board and upon recommendation of the Superintendent, it was moved by Alison Allen with second by Sandy Smith that the real estate tax rate be set at 58.5 cents on real property and 58.9 cents on personal property and is expected to produce \$13,765,238.64. This rate remains the same as the previous year with no increase.

Motion carried. All Members Present voting “yes”

33 Construction Update

Kenny Stanfield and Jennifer Cash, Sherman Carter Barnhart Architects, presented an update to the Board on the Meade County High School Addition/Renovation. They shared a slide deck of photos and discussed the change order being presented to the Board.

34 Approval of Change Order 7 Redlee Construction, Meade County High School Addition/Renovation

It was moved by Alison Allen with a second by Nathan Beavin that the Meade County Board of Education approve Change Order 7 for Redlee Construction, Meade County High School Addition/Renovation.

PROJECT: Meade County High School
938 Old State Rd
Brandenburg, Kentucky 40108

CONTRACTOR: Redlee Construction & Development LLC
800 Stonecreek Pkw, STE 5A
Louisville, Kentucky 40223

Increase of \$84,467.00 from Redlee Construction, covers added CMU to stabilize existing classroom corner. Add piping and structures to support the existing Freshman Academy. Add pilasters and revised CMU at doors 1000H-1 and 1000G-1.

Change Order No. 7

Original Contract Sum was	\$ 37,087,293.35
Net change by previously authorized Change Orders	<u>\$ 363,850.57</u>
Contract Sum prior to Change Order #6	\$ 37,451,143.92
Contract Sum will be increased by Change Order #6	<u>\$ 84,467.00</u>
New Contract Sum including this Change Order	<u>\$ 37,535,610.92</u>

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

35 Consideration of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Sandy Smith with second by Alison Allen that the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

Finance:

- Approval of Minutes of Meeting on August 11, 2026
- Approval of Accounts Payable Payroll (Check # 100353-100548; ACI 1883-1905; wb pages 11-16)
- Approval of Construction Payments (Check 4445-4456)
- Approval of Employee's Salary Payroll for September 17, 2026
- Approval of Food Service Payroll

Motion carried. All members voting “yes”.

36 Consideration of Consent Agenda Items

It was moved by Sandy Smith with second by Alison Allen that the following Consent Agenda items be approved:

Approvals/Acceptances:

- Approval of Use of Title I Funds to Purchase Consumable Workbooks and Textbooks
- Approval to Convene the Calendar Committee
- Approval of Shortened School Day for Students at Barry Hahn Primary, David T Wilson Elementary, Stuart Pepper Middle School, and Meade County High School
- Approval of Shortened School Week for Students at Barry Hahn Primary, David T Wilson Elementary, Stuart Pepper Middle School, and Meade County High School

Approval of MOA with Surpass Behavioral Health 2026-2027 School
Year
Approval of Fundraising Requests

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

37 Approval of Monthly Financial Statements

It was moved by Alison Allen with second by Steve Orr that the monthly financial statements be approved as presented by Angela Sanders.

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”. A copy of the financial statements is on file in the Superintendent’s office

38 Approval of Working Budget for 2026-2027

In accordance with KRS 160.461, the proposed 2026–2027 Working Budget and supporting budget notes were provided electronically to Board members on August 25, 2026. The Board reviewed the proposed budget, along with the recommended budget amendment and resulting final Working Budget. It was moved by Sandy Smith with second by Alison Allen that the 2026-2027 working budget be approved as presented by Angela Sanders.

Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

39 Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent’s Personnel Report September 8, 2026

Resignations:

Fred Blair, Bus Driver, Districtwide, effective September 10, 2026

Regina Decker, Bus Driver, Districtwide, effective September 11, 2026

Kristin Whobrey, Bus Driver, Districtwide, effective September 11, 2026

Employees to be hired:

Samantha Dupin, Instructional Assistant, Flaherty Primary, effective August 31, 2026

Mariana Ceala, Teacher, Stuart Pepper Middle School, effective August 31, 2026

Employees to be transferred:

Clint Reardon, Assistant Swim Coach to Head Swim Coach, Meade County High School

Kenneth Dowell, Assistant Baseball Coach to Head Baseball Coach, Meade County High School

Certified Substitutes to be hired:

Melody Clark*
Sandra Cook*

Nicholas Harrison*
Michael Schwartz

Kellianne Wilson

Emergency Certified Substitute to be hired on CA-4:

Raymond Barnett*
Thomas Beck*
William Mitchner*

Gina Nussbaumer*
Elizabeth Russell*
Andrea Staples*

Shelby Staples*

Substitute Instructional Assistants to be hired:

Helen Barnes*
Layna Boyken*

Deborah King*
Janice Nalley*

Substitute Bus Monitors to be hired:

Bridgette Elliott*

Claudia Hartley

Lynda O'Neal*

Substitute Custodian to be hired:

Brian Shamblin*

Substitute Food Service Workers to be hired:

Tonya Arnold*
Leslie Bartell*
Susie Ford

Ashley Fox*
Susanne Grim*
Brooklyn Hartlage*

Jessica Phillips*
Vicki Wheatley*

Leave of Absence to be approved:

Tiffany Adams, Food Service Asst. I-Café Worker, Meade County High School, effective August 13, 2026 for remainder of the school year

Approval to Emergency Certify a Teacher:

Stephen Gibbs, JROTC Teacher, Meade County High School
Garrett Busby, Elementary Teacher, Ekron Elementary

It was moved by Nathan Beavin with a second by Sandy Smith to approve the Leave of Absence and the Emergency Certified Teachers above. All members present voting "yes".

*pending completion of necessary hiring requirements

40 Other Business

No Other Business to present

41 Public Comment

No public comment

42 Adjournment

It was moved by Alison Allen with second by Sandy Smith that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. All members present voting “yes”.

_____, Chairman _____, Secretary
Steve Orr Mark Martin