

**Minutes  
Transylvania County Board of Education  
May 26, 2022**

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

BUSINESS ITEMS (including amendments and recissions):

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Memorandum of Understanding for PFES Piping Project

The Transylvania County Board of Education met in special session on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 12:30 p.m. at the Morris Education Center. The purpose of the meeting was to take action on a Memorandum of Understanding for the Pisgah Forest Elementary School piping project. Ron Kiviniemi led in a moment of silence and Tawny McCoy led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman McCoy called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. The following individuals were in attendance.

BOARD MEMBERS:

Tawny McCoy, Chair  
Ron Kiviniemi, Vice Chair  
Courtney Domokur  
Marty Griffin  
Kimsey Jackson

STAFF:

Dr. Jeff McDaris, Superintendent  
Jenny Hunter, Administrative Assistant  
Dr. Brian Weaver, Assistant Superintendent  
Gabi Juba, Finance Officer  
Tonya Treadway, PFES Principal

BOARD ATTORNEY:

Kris Caudle, Campbell Shatley

1. **Approval of Agenda**

ON A MOTION BY MRS. DOMOKUR, SECONDED BY MR. GRIFFIN, the meeting agenda for May 26, 2022 was approved as presented.

2. **Memorandum of Understanding for PFES Piping Project**

Attorney Kris Caudle reviewed an Interlocal Agreement between Transylvania County and the Board of Education for the contracted HVAC/piping project work at Pisgah Forest Elementary School. The agreement was approved by the Board of Commissioners on May 23, 2022. It states that the county commissioners and the school board shall be co-developers of identified new school and renovation projects (i.e., the PFES piping project) and the county will appoint the school board as its agent to carry out all phases of the project. This will enable the county to claim sales and use taxes allowed under North Carolina law. Those sales tax dollars will be given back to the school board as additional capital funding. The agreement will not reduce the \$68 million for bond projects; nor does it require a deed transfer or lease of the PFES property. Mr. Caudle explained that the agreement may be used as a template for other capital improvement projects in the future. Because the agreement would add to the board's capital funding and further the PFES piping project, and he recommended approval so that bidding and purchasing can proceed.

Mr. Caudle informed the board that the agreement was missing an Exhibit B referred to in the body of the agreement. He explained that Exhibit B is a placeholder page to identify the property or properties impacted by the agreement. It was inadvertently omitted from the copy that was sent over by the county before the meeting. Mr. Caudle indicated that he would send a copy of Exhibit B as soon as he returns to his office for insertion into the agreement before it is signed by the board chair.

Mr. Griffin requested assurance that the agreement would provide additional capital funding for the schools and would have no impact on the issuance of the school construction bond. Mr. Caudle and Mrs. McCoy gave assurance. ON A MOTION BY MR. KIVINIEMI, SECONDED BY MR. GRIFFIN, the Interlocal Agreement between Transylvania County and the Board of Education for the Pisgah Forest Elementary School HVAC/piping project was unanimously approved.

There was no further business, and ON A MOTION BY MRS. MCCOY, SECONDED BY MR. GRIFFIN, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman

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Secretary