

**Minutes
Transylvania County Board of Education
June 6, 2022**

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

BUSINESS ITEMS (including amendments and rescissions):

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Recognition of Retirees 2021-2022
3. Public Comment
4. Good News Report
5. Former Students in the Military
6. Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes
 - B. Personnel Report
7. School Nutrition Update:
 - A. Highlights 2021-2022
 - B. Summer Lunch Program
 - C. Vendor Bids 2022-2023
 - D. Meal Prices 2022-2023
8. Blue Zones Project
9. Elementary ELA Curriculum
10. FY22 Budget Update
11. Superintendent's Update
12. Important Dates
13. Other Items

The Transylvania County Board of Education met in regular session on June 6, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Morris Education Center. Ron Kiviniemi led in a moment of silence and Courtney Domokur led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman McCoy called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. In addition to approximately 40 guests, the individuals listed below were in attendance.

BOARD MEMBERS:

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

BOARD ATTORNEY:

Kris Caudle, Campbell Shatley

PRESENTERS:

Mark Burrows, Blue Zones Brevard
Sarah Hankey, Blue Zones Brevard
Tammy Hopkins, Blue Zones Brevard

STAFF:

Dr. Jeff McDaris, Superintendent
Jenny Hunter, Administrative Assistant
Dr. Brian Weaver, Assistant Superintendent
Carrie Norris, Director K-8 Education
Missy Ellenberger, Director 9-12 Education
Audrey Reneau, Director, Federal Programs
Janette Broda, Director, School Nutrition
Jen Heatherly, Public Information Officer
Chris Whitlock, Director, Technology Services
Kelly Cook, School Resource Officer

1. **Approval of Agenda**
ON A MOTION BY MRS. DOMOKUR, SECONDED BY MR. GRIFFIN, the meeting agenda for June 6, 2022 was unanimously approved as presented.

2. **Recognition of Retirees 2021-2022**

At its first business meeting in June, the board recognizes the employees who have retired or will be retiring during the current school year. Dr. McDaris reported that some of our retirees have spent their entire careers with the Transylvania County Schools and some have worked in other school systems in addition to Transylvania. The 19 people being recognized this year represent more than 501 years in public education. The board presented crystal apples and congratulated the individuals named below in appreciation for their years of dedicated service to public education and the students of Transylvania County Schools.

Transylvania County Schools Retirees 2021-2022			
Norris Barger	Director of Business Services	MEC	35 years
Jennifer Bolt	Teacher	RHS	23 years
Nelda Dees	Child Nutrition Worker	BHS	16.5 years
Gary DeHaven	Teacher	BMS	21 years
Lisa Gillespie	Teacher	RHS	25 years
René Gray	Child Nutrition Manager	BHS	30 years
Michael Jordan	Teacher	PFES	31 years
Tony Lance	Custodian / Bus Driver	BHS	10 years
James Leatherwood	Teacher	BHS	28 years
Kyle Malmin	Teacher	BES	30 years
Connie McGaha	Teacher	BES	22 years
Sean Parrish	Teacher	BHS	29 years
Janet Powell	Teacher	RES	26 years
Michelle Ridenour	Teacher	BES	30 years
Leasa Stanley	Child Nutrition Worker	BHS	26 years
William "Mack" Stanley	Bus Driver	BHS	38 years
Alice Tate	Teacher Assistant	BES	31 years
Holly Watkins	Teacher Assistant	TCH	20 years
Missy West	Teacher	RMS	30 years

Chairman McCoy called a recess at 6:40 p.m. to allow honorees and guests to enjoy a short reception and refreshments. The meeting was called back into session at 7:00 p.m.

3. **Public Comment**

None

4. **Good News Report**

Dr. McDaris thanked School Resource Officer Kelly Cook for attending the meeting. He presented the following good news items:

Congratulations, Class of 2022

The Class of 2022 celebrated the culmination of their K-12 educational careers with family and friends in three inspiring commencement ceremonies held at the Brevard Music Center over the Memorial Day weekend. Starting with Davidson River School on Thursday, May 26; Brevard High School on Friday, May 27; and ending with Rosman High School on Saturday, May 28, the graduations were an impressive tribute to the senior class and all they have achieved. To view the livestreamed ceremonies, visit <https://youtube.com/tcsnc>.

TC Scholars & Memorable Educators 2022

Congratulations to the Transylvania County Scholars, Junior Marshals, and scholarship winners who were honored at the 39th Annual Transylvania County Schools Recognition Evening on May 19, 2022. Congratulations also to the 39 individuals listed below who were named as Memorable Educators by members of the 2022 senior class:

Memorable Educators 2022		
Tyrea Allen	John Hogan	Katrina Ronneburger
Heather Bibbee	Andrew Jameson	Amy Schoenacher
Christy Bryson	Hazel Ketchum	Sarah Shawver
Candice Burchill	Meredith Licht	Laura Smith
Charles Burchill	Andrew Lindsey	Dan Sprinkle
Katerina Canter	John McCarson	Richard Stubbs
Amanda Chapman	Tamera Moman	Erica Thompson
Christina Dodson	Chris Owen	Josh Tinsley
Derrick Gardener	Tracy Owen	Matthew Tuckey
Elaine Goar	Angela Patane	Vincent Warren
Dustin Haithcox	Stephanie Ramsey	Jennifer Williams
Adria Hardy	Sarah Reid	Devin Wilson
Dan Harris	Katherine Reinhart	Jackie Witherspoon

All-American D-Day Band

Congratulations to Elijah Chapman, Esperanza Hernandez, and Elisabeth Qualls on being selected for the All-American D-Day Band. These Rosman High School students will be part of a nationwide high school band of 125 members. In June 2023, they will travel to Normandy and Paris, France, where they will perform the ceremonial music for the officially recognized commemoration and wreath-laying ceremonies at the Brittany and Normandy American cemeteries and memorials. They will also perform at the International Salute to Liberation event and D-Day Memorial Parade.

Congratulations Coach Tyrea Allen

Congratulations to Coach Tyrea Allen, Rosman High School, who was named Coach of the Year for the Western Highlands Conference and a finalist for the Fred Goldsmith FCA Coach of the Year.

Free Summer Lunch Program

On June 6, Transylvania County Schools began its Summer Lunch Program. The program consists of five meal sites with varying dates and times of service throughout the summer. Meals are free to all children of Transylvania County under the age of 18. Children do not have to qualify for free or reduced lunch to participate and do not have to attend Transylvania County Schools. Families are asked to limit visits to one meal site per day and may use any of the five sites. No meal sites will be serving the week of July

4-8; service will resume on Monday, July 11. For contact and schedule information, visit the School Nutrition website at <https://bit.ly/TCSSummerLunch>.

5. **Former Students in the Military**

The board recognized the list of former students from Brevard High School, Rosman High School, and Davidson River School who are currently serving or have previously served in the U.S. Military. There were no new names on the list.

6. **Consent Agenda**

ON A MOTION BY MRS. DOMOKUR, SECONDED BY MR. JACKSON, the board voted 4:0 to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2022 meeting, the minutes of the May 2, 2022 closed session, and the attached personnel report for June 6, 2022 (FOR: Domokur, Jackson, Kiviniemi, McCoy; RECUSED: Griffin). Mr. Griffin stated that he had recused himself from voting because his daughter is included on the personnel report. The board recognized Amanda Lewis, new principal at PFES; Scott Strickler, new principal at BHS; Julie Queen, new principal at RMS; and Wythe Newberry, new assistant principal at BMS, who were in attendance.

7. **School Nutrition Update**

School Nutrition Director Janette Broda gave an update on the School Nutrition program.

Highlights for 2021-2022:

- The Blue Devils Breakfast Cart near the BHS cafeteria entrance has increased breakfast participation by 43.7%.
- Backpack Buddies provided meals to approximately 200 students during the Christmas and spring breaks. The packs contain nutrient-dense, easily prepared meals. The Christmas packs also included candy and a \$25 gift card. School Nutrition is partnering with community organizations to create food packs and fresh fruit bags for the summer.
- Partnership with the Blue Zones Project of Brevard provided "Cook and Learn" classes for the School Nutrition management team that incorporated easy plant-based menu items. Blue Zones helped establish student-led wellness committees and arranged a free photo shoot to create cafeteria posters featuring students from BHS and RHS enjoying healthier menu options.

Summer Lunch Program:

Mrs. Broda reported that Congress did not pass the same waivers this year that they had for last two summers; therefore, children may only be fed on site (no grab and go meals or bundles). This year's summer lunch program will consist of five meal sites throughout the summer. Meals are free to all children of Transylvania County under the age of 18. Children do not have to qualify for free or reduced lunch to participate and do not have to attend Transylvania County Schools. Families may use any of the five meal sites and are asked to limit visits to one site per day. Schedules are available at <https://bit.ly/TCSSummerLunch>.

USDA:

Current USDA waivers will end on June 30, 2022. Programming will resume for 2022-2023 under normal USDA regulations.

Meal Prices for 2022-2023:

- Recommended increase of \$1.00 per meal for elementary, middle and high school (elementary lunch \$3.25; middle lunch \$3.50; high school lunch \$3.50).

- Recommended offering *a la carte* pricing for adult meals only.
- Universal breakfast will remain free for all K-12 students.

Mrs. Broda reported that food and supplies have gone up 27% on average. She presented a comparison showing that Transylvania's new meal prices will be lower than the average as compared with 10 other WNC districts. ON A MOTION BY MR. KIVINIEMI, SECONDED BY MR. JACKSON, the new meal prices for the 2022-2023 school year were unanimously approved as recommended.

Bid Results for 2022-2023:

Mrs. Broda presented bid results for food, supplies, milk, and fresh produce for the 2022-2023 school year. She reported that all commodities bids were renewals except for one. Carolina Produce out of Anderson, South Carolina was the new low bidder for produce. MR. GRIFFIN MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY MRS. DOMOKUR, to accept the vendor bids for 2022-2023 as presented. Mr. Jackson asked if commodity prices are guaranteed for the year. Mrs. Broda reported they are not; some are based on market price. Mrs. Domokur asked about supply chain issues. Mrs. Broda reported that they are still experiencing shortages. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. Blue Zones Project

The Blue Zones Project is a community-wide, evidence-based approach to improving health and well-being by making healthier choices easier for everyone. It brings together local stakeholders to improve where people live, work, learn, and play. Research shows that when the entire community participates--worksites, schools, restaurants and grocery stores--small changes can contribute to benefits for all, including lowered healthcare costs, improved productivity, and a higher quality of life. Mark Burrows, Sarah Hankey, and Tammy Hopkins gave an update on the Blue Zones Project of Brevard. Mr. Burrows reported that Blue Zones Brevard is a free resource for the community thanks to the sponsorship of Pisgah Health Foundation. Ms. Hankey reported that much focus recently has been on the schools and she thanked the principals, students, and staff for their leadership. She reported the following:

- Brevard is undergoing certification to become the nation's 50th Blue Zones community. The original Blue Zones, as identified by *National Geographic*, exist all over the globe. People living in these Blue Zones are three times more likely to live to age 100 and have on average 12 more good years than people living in non-Blue Zone areas.
- Eighty percent of our health is determined by lifestyle and environment; only 20% is determined by genetics.
- Blue Zones aims improve the "life radius"--the area around a person's home where they spend the majority of their time.
- Brevard High School was the first "Blue Zones Project Approved" high school in the Carolinas. Davidson River School is also Blue Zones Project Approved, and 8 of our 9 schools are currently engaged with Blue Zones. The central office is working to become a Blue Zones approved worksite as well.
- Student-led wellness committees are vital to success in the high schools. Educating peers, creating "downshifting" rooms for students and faculty, "plant slant" cooking classes, vape education, free hydration stations and water bottles, and senior purpose workshops have all taken place.
- Blue Zones Brevard supports all board of education policies. It does not seek to add or change curriculum--it is simply a resource.

- Benefits may include increased attendance, improved performance and attention, higher test scores, improved behavior, and decrease in childhood obesity.

Mr. Kiviniemi asked for more information on the vape education component. Mr. Burrows reported that Blue Zones obtained *VapeEducate* software licenses for middle and high schools to educate kids on the dangers. They also co-branded “Tobacco Free School” school signage for all schools and reached out to the City of Brevard regarding signs and advertising. Mrs. Domokur commended teaching kids what a healthy plate looks like and emphasizing choices. Mr. Jackson asked about data to support program goals. Mrs. Hankey reported that the program is metric driven. Data collection slowed during COVID, but will get back on track now that schools have returned to normal operations.

9. **Elementary ELA Curriculum**

Director Carrie Norris presented a recommendation for the Elementary English Language Arts (ELA) curriculum adoption for Pre-K through 5. She reported that this will be the first full reading adoption in 14 years. A Reading Leadership Team began working on the adoption process about a year ago. After looking at several different programs and visiting other districts, the team selected the *Core Knowledge Language Arts* curriculum. Mrs. Norris stated that it contains all of the Science of Reading components including phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary, writing, and comprehension. The five-year adoption includes student decodable books, teacher editions, workbooks, professional development, trade book collection, and phonics materials. It is funded with Small Schools grant money.

Mr. Kiviniemi asked why CKLA is better than Open Court. Mrs. Norris reported that Open Court has a lower rating and lacks certain components. Mrs. Domokur reported concerns from some teachers that this curriculum would limit or prevent their ability to do novel studies with their classes. Mrs. Norris acknowledged that the program will have a heavy time commitment because it is focused on core components; however, there still will be opportunities to teach favorite books just for the love of reading. ON A MOTION BY MR. GRIFFIN, SECONDED BY MR. KIVINIEMI, the board unanimously approved the *Core Knowledge Language Arts* curriculum adoption for Pre-K through grade 5 beginning in Fall 2022.

10. **FY22 Budget Update**

Dr. McDaris shared the expenditure report for Funds 1-8 and presented three budget amendments for approval. ON A MOTION BY MR. GRIFFIN, SECONDED BY MR. KIVINIEMI, the budget amendments for the State Public School Fund, the Local Current Expense Fund, and the Federal Grants Fund were unanimously approved as presented (see attached).

Chairman McCoy reported that the county commissioners have their first budget workshop tonight and that the funding recommendations from the county manager are alarming. She read a letter that she submitted to the board of commissioners earlier in the day expressing her concerns (see attached). Mr. Kimsey stated that he finds it unprofessional and inappropriate for the county manager to unilaterally cut funding for needed items without at least discussing it with the superintendent or finance officer. He added that it was astounding to him that Ms. Laughter had cut funding for the roofs at RHS and RMS, considering that rainwater runs down the halls at times. Mr. Kiviniemi stated that he is bothered by the county manager’s seeming assumption that she knows more knows more about the schools’ needs than the board. He added that the board performs a capital needs review each year, including on-site facility tours at each school.

He feels that the citizens of this county may be surprised to find that the only capital funding the county commissioners provide for the schools is sales tax money that is required by law. They still have not issued the bonds or allowed the bond projects to move forward for months--all while they are sitting on a huge and growing capital reserve fund. Mr. Griffin stated that the board has offered many times to meet with the commissioners to discuss budget needs, but the offers are either rejected or ignored.

11. Superintendent's Update

Dr. McDaris shared the following items:

- Davidson River School & Pre-K

As we prepare for the next school year we focus renewed energy on several things. We know there is a child care and Pre-K crisis in our county. Unfortunately, on this and other subjects, there is a degree of purposeful misinformation or false narrative out there. The reality is that early learning is important for success. Many parents are struggling to balance income with the lack of affordable and quality early learning options. This affects the workforce and economic development. Add to this some recent discussion on options for Davidson River School. We are still combating challenges created by supply chain issues and materials availability. In-house infrastructure work that would be necessary for any restructuring of DRS would be impacted by materials delay and cost. That makes any potential enhancement of DRS moot. Therefore, Davidson River will stay put for the foreseeable future. Supply chain issues also affect early learning options. Fortunately, we have repurposed some space at Brevard Elementary that will add at least one new Pre-K classroom. We are hoping to do the same at Pisgah Forest. Strong early learning is critical. It results in outcomes that positively alter learning and resiliency for older students, some of whom may not need to attend alternative programs in the future as a result.

There are other realities for Davidson River School regardless of location. Davidson River used to have much more interaction with BHS up until a few years ago, and it was common for DRS students to take elective courses at BHS. This will return. Recall that the state has a strong bipartisan effort to attain two million or more credentialed workers by the year 2030 as part of the MyFutureNC initiative. That will require coursework not available at Davidson River and off campus. We will see other positive changes at the school, as we address attendance and move back to all face-to-face instruction.

Funding challenges, infrastructure, cost of living, available and affordable housing, jobs, and wages are all challenges for our county. But the good news is that as we move toward a renewed normalcy, our schools have the opportunity to dig back into the things that were taken for granted prior to the pandemic. I am excited about that.

- From the *New York Times*

If you look at historical data on the U.S. economy, you notice that [something changed](#) in the late 1970s or early '80s. Incomes started growing more slowly for most workers, and inequality surged. David Gelles---a *Times* reporter who has been interviewing CEOs for years--argues that corporate America helped cause these trends. Specifically, he points to Jack Welch, the leader of General Electric who became the model for many other executives. He spoke about these ideas, which are central to his new book on Welch (and to [a Times story based on it](#)):

How do you think corporate America has changed since the 1980s in ways that helped cause incomes to grow so slowly? For decades after World War II, big American companies bent over backward to distribute their profits widely. In General Electric’s 1953 annual report, the company proudly talked about how much it was paying its workers, how its suppliers were benefiting and even how much it paid the government in taxes. That changed with the ascendance of men like Jack Welch, who took over as chief executive of G.E. in 1981 and ran the company for the next two decades. Under Welch, G.E. unleashed a wave of mass layoffs and factory closures that other companies followed. The trend helped destabilize the American middle class. Profits began flowing not back to workers in the form of higher wages, but to big investors in the form of stock buybacks. Welch transformed G.E. from an industrial company with a loyal employee base into a corporation that made much of its money from its finance division and had a much more transactional relationship with its workers. That served him well during his run as C.E.O., and G.E. did become the most valuable company in the world for a time. But in the long run, that approach doomed G.E. to failure. The company underinvested in research and development, got hooked on buying other companies to fuel its growth, and its finance division was badly exposed when the financial crisis hit. Things began to unravel almost as soon as Welch retired, and G.E. announced last year it would break itself up. Similar stories played out at dozens of other companies where Welch disciples tried to replicate his playbook, such as Home Depot and Albertsons. So while Welch’s approach can increase profits in the short-term, the long-term consequences are almost always disastrous for workers, investors and the company itself.

- June 6, 1944
 Today is June 6, 2022. On June 6, 1944, the United States and its allies began Operation Overlord, commonly referred to as the D-Day landings at Normandy. Led by U.S. General Dwight D. Eisenhower, an Allied armada of ships, planes, landing craft and approximately 156,000 troops began the invasion of northern France from England. The successful landing was key to the eventual defeat of Nazi Germany and the end of World War II. I hope we always remember these brave men who risked much and gave much.

12. Important Dates

The Transylvania County Schools Administrators’ Retreat will be held on August 15-16. The two-day event will include all central office and school-based administrators. Therefore, Dr. McDaris asked the board to consider moving the August 15 board meeting to the following Monday, August 22. There were no objections, and ON A MOTION BY MR. GRIFFIN, SECONDED BY MR. JACKSON, the board voted unanimously to change the regular business meeting scheduled for August 15, 2022 to August 22, 2022.

June 6	4-day summer schedule begins		
June 20	REGULAR MEETING	6:30 p.m.	MEC
July 4	Independence Day holiday		
July 4	NO MEETING		
July 18	REGULAR MEETING	6:30 p.m.	MEC
Aug. 1	REGULAR MEETING	6:30 p.m.	MEC
Aug. 15	Regular 5-day schedule resumes		
Aug. 15-16	TCS Administrators’ Retreat	7:30 am - 4:30 pm	TBD
Aug. 19-26	Teacher workdays		

Aug. 22	REGULAR MEETING	6:30 p.m.	MEC
Aug. 29	First student day		
Sept. 5	Labor Day holiday		
Sept. 5	NO MEETING		
Sept. 19	REGULAR MEETING	6:30 p.m.	MEC

13. Other Items

Chairman McCoy reported that the board has heard nothing new from the county regarding the school bond. Mr. Kiviniemi pointed out that it has been more than 20 weeks since the board requested approval of the revised contracts. Dr. McDaris reported that to his knowledge, the commissioners have not shared the information they received from the “consultants” they hired. Mr. Kiviniemi stated that the board would be discussing next steps with the board attorney.

Mr. Jackson reported on some demographic changes within North Carolina and shared that the median price for child care is \$883 dollars a month. He stated that he graduated from Brevard High School in 1952. He commended the men who fought during World War II and asked everyone to remember their sacrifice on this anniversary of D-Day. Mr. Griffin added that for the young men on the beaches in Normandy, June 6, 1944 was the longest day of their lives.

There was no further business, and ON A MOTION BY MRS. DOMOKUR, SECONDED BY MR. JACKSON, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Secretary

**PERSONNEL REPORT
June 6, 2022**

I. ACCEPT THE REPORT OF RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS ACCEPTED/INITIATED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT FROM/FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

Licensed Personnel

Bryan Abernethy, Principal, Brevard High School, effective June 30, 2022
Beth Branagan, School Social Worker, DRS-based, effective June 2, 2022
Nicole Moman, School Counselor, RES, effective May 31, 2022
Caroline Morrison, Teacher, Brevard High School, effective June 2, 2022
Ashlee Steen, Teacher, RES, effective July 30, 2022

Classified Personnel

Ashley Banning, Teacher Assistant, TCH, effective June 1, 2022
Joshua Honeycutt, Custodian & Bus Driver, BES, effective May 27, 2022
Tony Lance, Custodian & Bus Driver, BHS, effective June 30, 2022
William Tellman, Bus Driver, BMS, effective June 3, 2022

II. APPROVE THE EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

Licensed Personnel

Angela Cannon, Career Development Coordinator, BHS-based, effective August 19, 2022

Classified Personnel

Heidi Johnson, Teacher Assistant, BES, effective August 23, 2022

III. ACCEPT THE REPORT OF TRANSFER OF ASSIGNMENT MADE BY THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

Licensed Personnel

Laurie Kleppe, from Assistant Principal, BMS, to Assistant Principal, BES, effective July 1, 2022
Amanda Lewis, from Assistant Principal, RMS, to Principal, PFES, effective July 1, 2022
Stephanie Merrill, from Instructional Coach, PFES, to Instructional Coach, TCH, effective August 1, 2022
Hallie Moore, from School Counselor, BHS, to Academic Process Counselor, BHS-Based, effective August 19, 2022
Wythe Newberry, from Instructional Coach, RMS, to Assistant Principal, BMS, effective August 1, 2022
Courtney Owen, from School Counselor, BES, to Crisis Counselor, BHS-Based, effective August 19, 2022
Julie Queen, from Assistant Principal, RHS, to Principal, RMS, effective July 1, 2022
Ann Rich, from Instructional Coach, TCH, to Instructional Coach, PFES, effective August 1, 2022
Jenna Sorrells, from Assistant Principal, BHS, to Assistant Principal, BMS, effective July 1, 2022
Scott Strickler, from Principal, RMS, to Principal, BHS, effective July 1, 2022
Tonya Treadway, from Principal, PFES, to Assistant Principal, BHS, effective July 1, 2022

Classified Personnel

None

IV. APPROVE THE LEAVES OF ABSENCE RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

Licensed Personnel
None

Classified Personnel
None

V. APPROVE THE SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION FOR THE FOLLOWING SUBSTITUTE EMPLOYEES:

Substitute Teachers
None

Substitute School Nutrition Workers
None

Budget Amendment - State Public School Fund

Amendment no. 4

Function Code	Description	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
	REVENUES			
	Revenues	\$26,854,407		\$26,854,407
	EXPENDITURES			
5100	Regular Instructional	16,890,437	(304,497)	\$16,585,939.36
5200	Special Instructional	3,360,345	0	\$3,360,344.68
5300	Alternative Programs	712,187	0	\$712,186.68
5400	School Leadership	1,487,171	1,200	\$1,488,371.12
5800	School-Based Support	1,436,069	61,461	\$1,497,529.83
6100	Support And Development	256,755	0	\$256,755.00
6200	Special Population Support And Dev	34,250	0	\$34,250.00
6300	Alternative S & D	0	0	\$0.00
6400	Technology Support	30,331	0	\$30,331.00
6500	Operational Support	2,004,108	231,923	\$2,236,031.31
6600	Financial And Human Resources	219,406	9,914	\$229,320.00
6900	Policy And Leadership	265,159	0	\$265,159.00
7100	Regular Community Service	2,750	0	\$2,750.00
7200	Ancillary Services	155,439	0	\$155,439.00
8100	Pay To Oth Govt & Tfirs Of			
8400	Interfund Transfers			
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET	\$26,854,407	(\$0)	\$26,854,407

EXPLANATION:

See attached

Passed by majority vote of the Transylvania County Board of Education this 6th day of June, 2022.



 Tawny McCoy, Chairman



 Jeff McDaris, Secretary

PRC	Description	Amount	Reason
001	Classroom Teachers		
002	Central Office Administration		
003	Non-Instructional Support Personnel		
004	K-5 Program Enhancement Teachers		
005	School Building Administration		
006	School Psychologist - Position		
007	Instructional Support		
008	School Psychologist Conversion to Dollars		
012	Driver Training		
013	CTE-Months Of Emploment		
014	CTE-Program Support		
015	School Technology Fund		
016	Summer Reading Camp		
019	Small County		
024	Disadvantaged Student Supp		
027	Teacher Assistants		
029	Behavioral Support		
032	Exceptional Children		
034	Academic/Intellectually Gifted		
045	Compensation Bonus		
046	Test Result Bonus		
048	Test Result Bonus - (Ap/Ib, CTE, Principal)		
054	Limited English (LEP)		
056	Transportation		
061	Classroom Material, Instr Supplies, Equipment		
063	Special Program Funds - Ec		
064	CTE Grade Expansion Program Grant		
067	Assistant Principal Interns-MSA		
069	At-Risk Student Ser/Alternative Schools		
071	Supplemental Funds for Teacher Compenstation		
073	School Connectivity		
085	Early Grade Reading Proficiency		
120	LEA Financed Purchase Of School Buses		
121	CRF Summer Learning Program		
122	CRF-School Health Support		
123	CRF - Nondigital Resources		
124	CRF-Student Computers And Devices	-	
125	CRF-Student Devices		
126	CRF-Personnel Computers And Devices		
127	CRF-Connectivity School Buses		
128	CRF-Home And Community Wifi		
130	Textbooks		
131	Textbook & Digital Resources (Dollar Transfer)		
132	CRF-Exceptional Children		
135	CRF-Cybersecurity		
137	CRF-Personal Protective Equipment		
141	ARRA - Title 1		
154	Covid-19 Supplemental Funds		

Budget Amendment - Local Current Expense Fund

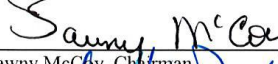

Amendment no. 4

Function Code	Description	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
	REVENUES			
	Revenues	\$13,439,972	\$0	\$13,439,972
	Appropriated Fund Balance	123,720		123,720
	EXPENDITURES		0	
5100	Regular Instructional	\$4,291,017.21	15	\$4,291,031.75
5200	Special Instructional	\$471,993.92	0	\$471,993.92
5300	Alternative Programs	\$140,370.47	0	\$140,370.47
5400	School Leadership	\$1,227,825.62	0	\$1,227,825.62
5500	Co-Curricular	\$443,485.96	(25,482)	\$418,003.96
5800	School-Based Support	\$1,202,706.73	(15)	\$1,202,692.19
6100	Support and Development	\$414,417.18	0	\$414,417.18
6200	Special Population Support and Development	\$62,133.07	0	\$62,133.07
6400	Technology Support	\$175,905.60	0	\$175,905.60
6500	Operational Support	\$2,695,130.22	0	\$2,695,130.22
6600	Financial And Human Resources	\$570,957.06	0	\$570,957.06
6700	Accountability S & D	\$8,997.44	0	\$8,997.44
6900	Policy And Leadership	\$340,061.83	25,482	\$365,543.83
7100	Regular Community Service	\$9,452.69	0	\$9,452.69
7200	Ancillary Services	\$3,917.00	0	\$3,917.00
8100	Pay To Oth Govt & Tfirs Of	\$1,381,600.00	0	\$1,381,600.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET	\$13,439,972	\$0	\$13,439,972

EXPLANATION:

To reflect actual expenditures

Passed by majority vote of the Transylvania County Board of Education this 6th day of June, 2022.


 Tawny McCoy, Chairman

 Jeff McDaniel, Secretary

Budget Amendment - Federal Grants Fund

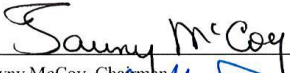
Amendment no. 4

Function Code	Description	Current Budget	Increase (Decrease)	Amended Budget
	REVENUES			
	Revenues	\$13,861,048	\$256,479	\$14,117,527
	EXPENDITURES			
5100	Regular Instructional	4,013,949	1,060	\$4,015,009.20
5200	Special Instructional	1,268,950	206,184	\$1,475,133.91
5300	Alternative Programs	2,693,285	36,188	\$2,729,473.31
5400	School Leadership	186,503	0	\$186,503.36
5500	Co-Curricular	0	0	0
5800	School-Based Support	2,592,395	0	\$2,592,394.66
6200	Special Population Support And Dev	0	0	\$0.00
6300	Alternative S & D	72,786	0	\$72,785.56
6400	Technology Support	0	0	\$0.00
6500	Operational Support	2,460,267	0	\$2,460,266.91
6600	Financial And Human Resources	0	0	\$0.00
6700	Accountability S & D	0	0	\$0.00
6900	Policy And Leadership	0	0	\$0.00
7200	Ancillary Services	157,449	0	\$157,448.82
8100	Pay To Oth Govt & Tfirs Of	415,397	7,738	\$423,134.23
8200	Unbudgeted Reserves	68	5,309	\$5,377.07
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET	\$13,861,048	\$256,479	\$14,117,527

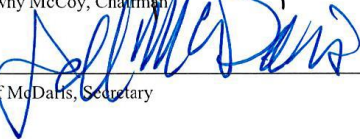
EXPLANATION:

To reflect actual (see attached for additional allotment)

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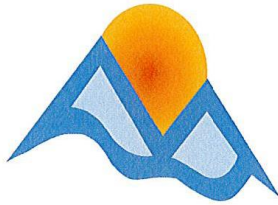


 Tawny McCoy, Chairman



 Jeff McDaris, Secretary

PRC	Description	Amount	Reason
017	Vocational Ed - Program Improvement		
026	Homeless Grant		
049	IDEA Pre-School Handicapped Grant	15281.86	Adjusting for carryover
050	IASA Title I - LEA Basic Program	19,820	Adjusting for carryover
053	Sch Improvement		
060	IDEA VI-B Handicapped		
102	Sch Repair & Renovation - Tech		
103	Improving Teacher Quality	125	Adjusting for carryover
104	Title III Language Acquisition	281	Adjusting for carryover
105	Title I - School Improvement		
108	Student Support and Academic Enrichment		
109	Rural and Low Income Schools		
111	Title III Language Acquisition Increase	(29)	Adjusting for carryover
115	TSI School Improvement		
118	IDEA Preschool Targeted Assistance		
119	IDEA VI B Special Needs	442	Adjusting for carryover
163	Cares Act 2020		
167	ESSER I EC Grant	17,229	Adjusting for carryover
169	GEER-Student Health Support		
170	GEER-Supplemental Instructional Services		
171	ESSER II - K-12 Emergency Relief Fund		
173	ESSER II - Supplemental Contracted Instructional Support		
174	ESSER II - School Nutrition COVID Support		
176	ESSER II - Learning Loss Funding		
177	ESSER II - Summer Career Accelerator Program		
178	ESSER II - Competency-Based Assessment		
181	ESSER III - K-12 Emergency Relief Fund		
183	ESSER III - Homeless I		
184	ESSER III - Homeless II		
185	ESSRT III - ARP IDEA Grant to States	173,542	Initial Allotments
186	ESSER III - IDEA Preschool	23,495	Initial Allotments
192	Cyberbullying & Suicide Prevention Grant		
193	Gaggle Grant		
194	ESSER III - CTE - Hospitality	5,350	Initial Allotments
203	ESSER III - Teacher Bonuses		
205	ESSER III - Driver Training	939	Initial Allotments
		256,476	



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June 6, 2022

Dear Transylvania County Board of Commissioners:

Thank you for your support of education in Transylvania County. We appreciate and acknowledge your position in funding many other requests for Transylvania County citizens as well as the funding for Transylvania County Schools. As the Board of Education duly elected by the citizens of Transylvania County, it is our responsibility and duty to report financial needs and/or concerns relative to our school system to the Board of Commissioners.

The 2022-2023 budget recommendation relative to Transylvania County Schools causes concerns to the Board of Education in part as follows:

1. The largest component of the Local Current Expense request includes increases of items beyond our control and the result of mandated salary and benefit increases and legislative initiatives. These requests included Salary and Benefit increases of \$289,426.00; Nurses Salary increase of \$35,000.00; and vehicle insurance of \$8,832.00 totaling \$333,258.00. The recommended increase of \$129,566.00 leaves a deficit of \$203,692.00.
2. It was mentioned in the budget presentation that Transylvania County Schools are now receiving small school funding and these funds could be used to fill the difference in our request and the recommendation. Our small school funding priorities contain items not reflected in the Local Current Expense request. We hoped to address some critical needs including, but not limited to: ELA (English Language Arts) textbooks for grades K-5, facial recognition security cameras and software for school safety, additional school counselor, All-County Chorus, and Pre-K education. With the shortfall of funding, we will not be able to supplement our current programming, staffing, and security needs as we hoped to do. The small school funds are a blessing and we are thankful, but are not a guaranteed long-term funding source. If these funds are no longer available, the request for Local Current Expense will only increase and we fear less likely to be funded by the county.
3. As to capital funding, the recommendation does not include the following items from our request:

Increase in computer needs from \$385,000.00 to \$500,000.00	\$115,000.00
Replacement roofs at RMS and RHS	\$400,000.00
Repairing leaks at PFE (not part of the piping project)	\$200,000.00
Repaving at BMS	\$125,000.00
Capital repairs and replacement systemwide	\$220,000.00

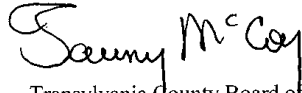
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No explanation was provided as to why these particular items were removed from the request. We would request that in the future, there be discussion concerning the capital budget and any items that will potentially not be funded so we as a Board can make the decisions regarding capital projects and which ones we prioritize for funding.

4. Our budget message also included an estimated amount of 35 million dollars of needs in our facilities other than the needs addressed by the bond project. As you discuss future capital needs of the county, please include these updated number for facility needs from Transylvania County Schools.

We respectfully request that you review the request made by the Transylvania County Board of Education. We ask that at a minimum you fully fund the items included in the Local Current Expense request that are out of the control of our board and our capital request including the capital items removed.

Sincerely,



Transylvania County Board of Education
Tawny McCoy, Chair
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