

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF COVINGTON, KENTUCKY**  
**MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING**  
**April 7, 2016**  
**6:00 P.M.**

The Board of Education of Covington, Kentucky met in regular session on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at Latonia Elementary located at 39<sup>th</sup> and Huntington Avenue, Covington, Kentucky.

Ms. Julie Geisen Scheper, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Call To Order**

Roll call showed the following members present: Mr. Jerry Avery, Ms. Joyce Baker and Ms. Julie Geisen Scheper.

**Roll Call**

1. Ms. Baker moved that the Covington Board of Education excuse Ms. April Brockhoff and Ms. Glenda Huff from the April 7, 2016 Regular Board Meeting. Mr. Avery seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, Ms. Baker, Mr. Avery and Ms. Geisen Scheper voted yea. The motion passed.

**Excuse Board Members**

Danny Hayes, Latonia Elementary Student, led the Board and community members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Geisen Scheper welcomed everyone to the meeting and commented that the Board of Education serves the public and community.

**Welcome**

Ms. Geisen Scheper called for public input. Mr. Bill Grein, Data and Assessment Services, updated the Board and Community on the Strategic Planning Process. The 3 main areas of the Strategic Plan are: Technology Integration, College and Career Readiness and Professional Learning Communities. On April 20, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Life Learning Center, the community and partners will be asked to give input on the Strategic Plan.

**Public Input**

Ms. Baker presented Ms. Robyn Rolf, Teacher, Latonia Elementary, the Certified Employee of the Month Award for April.

**Recognition**

Mr. Avery presented Ms. Jennifer Turner, Instructional Assistant, Latonia Elementary, the Classified Employee of the Month Award for April.

Ms. Geisen Scheper presented Ms. Angela Hamilton, Volunteer, Latonia Elementary, the Volunteer of the Month Award for April.

Ms. Joann James, Principal of Latonia Elementary recognized Latonia Elementary's School-based Decision Making Council members. Ms. James also recognized Latonia Elementary's Students of the Month: Tonesha Clark, Bentley Ruth, Lily Wright, Candence Bolton, Danny Hayes, Ernest Hampton, Angel Simmons, Akasha Hutchinson, Charles Delehanty, Jurnee Dumas, Vencynthia Johnson, Ethan Thor, Nicole Armstrong, Kelsey Howard, John Meredith, Nalanii Griffin, Brad Walz, Austin Spicer, Tim Reed, Haley Conyers and Kalayah Colbert.

Mr. Alvin Garrison, Superintendent of Schools, presented the item of information; Latonia Elementary Annual Report (Order No. 040716-01), Membership Attendance Report 2015-2016 School (Seventh Month) (Order

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No. 040716-02), and 2016-2017 Children’s Home of Northern Kentucky Lease (Order No. 040716-03).

Ms. Joann James, Principal of Latonia Elementary, introduced the Latonia Elementary annual report. Ms. James stated that the mission at Latonia Elementary is ‘to work collaboratively to create a safe learning environment with high expectations for success by using standards based and data driven instruction with respect for individual learning styles.’ Latonia Elementary’s vision is ‘to ensure that every student meets their full potential.’ Latonia Elementary has been classified as a proficient school for 2 consecutive years. Goals have been set for this year’s assessments and indicators, such as ThinkLink data, suggest that those targets will be achieved. Latonia continues to use data to drive instruction, expand staff knowledge to develop professionally, challenge students by setting high expectations and utilize Professional Learning Communities.

The Board thanked Ms. James and her staff for the report and congratulated them on the significant gains on the ThinkLink assessment.

Mr. Kippenbrock, Director of Pupil Personnel, answered questions on the Seventh Month’s membership and attendance report.

Mr. Kippenbrock presented information on the Children’s Home of Northern Kentucky 2016-2017 Lease Agreement. CHNKY’s facility houses our Transformational Learning Center Programs. The 2016-2017 lease agreement will remain the same as last year.

Mr. Garrison introduced the individual approval agenda items.

Mr. Kippenbrock presented information on the 2015-2016 Amended Covington Independent Public Schools Calendar. The Kentucky Department of Education requires that our yearly calendar reflect the maximum number of make-up days used within the past five year.

2. Ms. Baker moved that the Covington Board of Education approve Amendments to the 2015-2016 School Calendar. Mr. Avery seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, Ms. Baker, Mr. Avery and Ms. Geisen Scheper voted yea. The motion passed.

**2015-2016 School  
Calendar Amendments**

3. Ms. Baker moved that the Covington Board of Education approve the Amendments to the 2016-2017 School Calendar. Mr. Avery seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, Ms. Baker, Mr. Avery and Ms. Geisen Scheper voted yea. The motion passed.

**2016-2017 School  
Calendar Amendments**

4. Mr. Avery moved that the Covington Board of Education approves the Bank Depository Bid with Heritage Bank Contract Period of 7/1/2016 through 6/30/2018 with the Option of Three 1 Year extensions for Fiscal year 2019, 2020 and 2021. Ms. Baker seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, Mr. Avery, Ms. Baker and Ms. Geisen Scheper voted yea. The motion passed.

**Bank Depository Bid**

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Ms. Stacie Strotman, Executive Director of Covington Partners, presented the Memorandum of Agreement designed to create an understanding between the parties as to the sharing of information, including school and agency data such as student demographic information, school attendance, behavior and academic data including, grades and assessment scores; as well as agency collected data such as diagnosis, treatment goals, treatment progress data and discharge and transition planning. This agreement will assist Covington Independent Public Schools and community partners, coordinating and streamlining services provided to students at Holmes High School.

5. Ms. Baker moved that the Covington Board of Education approves the Holmes Community Support Services Memorandum of Agreement. Mr. Avery seconded the motion. With a roll call vote, Ms. Baker, Mr. Avery and Ms. Geisen Scheper voted yea. The motion passed.

**Holmes Community  
Support Services MOA**

Ms. Mary Ann Stewart, School Board Attorney, gave the Attorney's Report.

**Attorney's Report**

The Board agreed by consensus to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

**Adjournment**

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Board Chair

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Superintendent of Schools