

**MINUTES** of the special meeting of the West Elk USD #282 Board of Education, Monday, July 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the West Elk District Office.

At 7:00 p.m., Vice-President Wilson called the meeting to order by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**I. ROLL CALL:**

A.	President Denton	Absent
B.	Vice President Wilson	Present
C.	Thomas Eubank	Present
D.	Richard Fechter	Present
E.	Shelly Hare	Absent
F.	Heather McClendon	Present
G.	Penny Swanson	Present

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Martin Burke, Superintendent	Christy Tyler
Tonya Barnes, SPED Director via ZOOM	
Kevin Weber, 7-12 Principal	
Chris Haag, Assistant Principal	
Mary Mericle, Assistant to Admin	
Paula McAlister, Business Mgr/Clerk	

**II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:**

Fechter moved to accept the agenda as printed. Eubank seconded and the motion passed. (5-0)

**III. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. 2020-21 Code 99 for Publication:**

After review, Swanson moved to approve the 2020-21 Code 99 for publication. Fechter seconded and the motion passed (5-0). Public hearing will be held before the next regular Board Meeting, August 10, 2020 at 6:45 p.m.

**B. Back to School Plan:**

Burke reported:

1. Staff is working hard to get the building ready for re-opening. Concrete work should be finished next week. Walls are being painted. Building will be deep cleaned before students return on August 18, 2020.
2. Parent ZOOM meeting is planned for Wednesday, July 29.
3. In-Service plans and agendas are being constructed.
4. Back to School Task Force will meet this Wednesday and Thursday.
5. On-line enrollment started today. Each family will be called by office staff.
6. At this time, remote or distance learning will not be available.
7. Elk County Commissioners met today and voted 2-1 to opt out of Executive Order 2059 mandating all students and staff wear masks.

8. Application for SPARKS money is due to Elk County on August 5. West Elk will ask for SPARKS money to cover additional custodial staff, UV lighting, filters, PPE, testing and additional tech support.
9. Haag presented information from I Wave Air Purifiers for the roof top units and is waiting on an estimate.
10. Haag also presented information on wall mounted 110 UV lighting. 50 units would be required to install campus wide at the rate of \$340.00 for a total of \$17,200.00  
Fechter moved to purchase 50 UV lighting units for a total of \$17,200 and include in the application to the County for SPARK money reimbursement. Swanson seconded and the motion failed. (3-2) (McClendon and Wilson voted no).  
After further discussion, Wilson moved to submit 50 UV lighting units at a cost of \$17,200 in the application to the County for SPARK reimbursement and if approved, then purchase. Fechter seconded and the motion passed. (5-0)
11. The Draft of the West Elk COVID-19 Operations Plan for 2020-21 was discussed. After much discussion, Fechter moved to approve the following under Level Green:
  - (a) Masks are strongly encouraged, but not required;
  - (b) Class room teachers have the ability to require students to wear masks in their classrooms when 6 feet of distancing is not available unless a student has an underlying condition documented and submitted to the school by a medical doctor;
  - (c) All staff and students will have temperatures check before entry to the building;
  - (d) Staff and students are required to wear masks on the bus, unless the student has a documented reason to not wear the mask;
  - (e) Each bus will have a para or aid to check temperatures before the student gets on the bus;
  - (f) Masks are not required on the playground or in P.E.;
  - (g) Elementary students will report directly to their classrooms, breakfast will be served in the classrooms. Students may bring breakfast from home.

Wilson seconded and the motion passed. (5-0)

## **V. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 8:59 p.m. Fechter moved that we go into Executive Session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy interest of identifiable individuals to be discussed pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA; negotiations for 2020-2021 licensed staff to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA; student to protect the privacy and interest of identifiable individuals to be discussed pursuant to the student exception under KOMA; to include Martin Burke and Kevin Weber for 10 minutes and that the open meeting shall resume at 9:09 p.m. Wilson seconded and the motion passed. (5-0)

At 9:09 p.m. Vice-President Wilson called the meeting back to order

**VI. ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. Board Action on Personnel:**

Eubank moved to offer employment as follows: for SPED ESY as follows:

**I. SPED 2020-21:**

**West Elk #282:** Alexis Clark, Social Worker; Karli James  
paraprofessional and Destni Myers, paraprofessional;

**Elk Valley #283:** Malinda Williams, IRR and Trinity Coots, paraprofessional

**II. West Elk #282 2020-21:**

Aimee Sanders, 5<sup>th</sup> grade and Jeremy Clubine, Maintenance and  
Transportation.

Swanson seconded and the motion passed. (5-)

Eubank moved to accept the following resignations:

**West Elk #282:** Twilia McCammon, bus driver and Tracy Deets, bus driver

**CCC #286:** Stephanie Thigpen-Smith, paraprofessional.

Swanson seconded and the motion passed. (5-0)

**B. Out of District Students:** Fechter moved to accept the out of district  
students wishing to attend West Elk for 2020-21. Eubank seconded and the motion  
passed. (5-0)

**VII. ADJOURNMENT:**

Wilson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

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Tyson R. Denton, President

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Paula C McAlister, Board Clerk

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Tyson Wilson, Vice-President

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Thomas Eubank Board Member

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Richard H. Fechter, Board Member

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ABSENT  
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Heather McClendon, Board Member

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