The Morgan County Board of Education met in regular session at the Office of the Board on April 9, 2020 with an advertised start time of 6:00 p.m. A 5:30 p.m. work session preceded the business meeting. Due to the Governor’s Stay At Home order, the work session and business meeting were both live-streamed for the public. Social distancing measures were practiced at both the work session and the business meeting.

Present at the meeting: Chairman John Holley, Board Members Mike Tarpley, Paul Holmes, Jimmy Dobbs, Adam Glenn and Superintendent Bill W. Hopkins, Jr.

Absent: Vice-Chairman Billy Rhodes and Board member Tom Earwood.

Chairman Holley called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Mr. Dobbs opened the meeting with prayer and Mr. Glenn led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME

In his welcome, Chairman Holley stated that social distancing measures were being practiced during the meeting. AEA representative Wendy Lang and Decatur Daily reporter Mike Wetzel were both listening in on the business meeting via telephone. Chairman Holley also announced that Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Earwood were not present at tonight’s meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGENDA CHANGES

Chairman Holley called for the announcement of the agenda changes. It was announced that action item 9A would be added to the agenda as would personnel items seven, eight, and nine.

It was also announced that the Board members had received all appropriate supplemental information for each agenda addition during the work session.

Chairman Holley announced that in an effort to practice social distancing, Mrs. Goode was taking down the minutes of the meeting from her office.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairman Holley called for a motion to adopt the agenda as presented.

Mr. Dobbs moved and Mr. Tarpley seconded the motion to adopt the agenda as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

In order to present a matter to the Board, a written request must be submitted to the Superintendent’s office five (5) days prior to the scheduled Board meeting in order to be included on the agenda. No items will be discussed by the public or employees that are not on the agenda. (Morgan County Schools Policy 2.4 Board Meetings/2.4.5 Public Participation)
Chairman Holley asked if anyone had asked to address the Board per policy.

No one requested to address the Board at tonight’s meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

(The Board is furnished with background material for each item on the consent agenda. These items will be acted upon with one vote without discussion. If a Board member wants to discuss an item, the item will be pulled off the consent agenda and voted on separately.)

MINUTES
Approve as presented the minutes from the March 12, 2020 business meeting of the Morgan County Board of Education. (See attachment)

FINANCIAL REPORTS
Approve as presented the Morgan County Board of Education Check Register Accountability Report for February 1, 2020 through February 29, 2020. (See attachment)

Approve as presented the Morgan County Board of Education Depository and CNP Accounts Reconciliation Reports for the statement ending date of February 29, 2020. (See attachments)

Approve as presented the Bank Reconciliation Reports of the Morgan County Board of Education’s local schools for the statement ending date of February 29, 2020. (See attachments)

CONTRACTS
Approve as presented a contract for services Sean Blasingame (mileage) effective March 16, 2020 through May 21, 2020. (See attachment)

Mr. Glenn moved and Mr. Holmes seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVED TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF MCBOE POLICY GBA-E

Mr. Tarpley moved and Mr. Dobbs seconded the motion to approve the temporary suspension of MCBOE policy GBA-E Salary Schedules and Payrolls to allow for issuance of payroll checks as listed below:


The motion was unanimously approved.

ACCEPTED LOW BID FOR ANNEX GYM FLOOR AT BREWER HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Dobbs moved and Mr. Holmes seconded the motion to accept the low bid of $115,363.00 from Covington Flooring to replace the Annex Gym Floor at Brewer High School.

The motion was unanimously approved.
Personnel

(The employment of any individual listed below will be on a temporary-emergency basis pending background clearance.)

The Superintendent recommends that the following personnel items one through nine be approved as written:

1. Accept resignation effective April 3, 2020 from Teidra S. Hill, End User Computer Technician /Trainer at the Central Office. (See attachment)
2. Accept retirement notice effective June 1, 2020 from Cathy J. Taylor, Aide (WTR) at Sparkman School. (See attachment)
3. Accept resignation effective June 1, 2020 from John S. Puckett, 6th grade science teacher at Priceville Junior High School. (See attachment)
4. Approve as presented an employee supplemental contract with Michael Lee Walker as an assistant baseball coach at Priceville High School effective for contract year 2019-2020. (See attachments)
5. Accept resignation effective May 21, 2020 from Mary Skinner, Aide (WTR) at Danville Neel Elementary School. (See attachment)
6. Accept resignation effective June 1, 2020 from Patty Ryan, countywide speech teacher. (See attachment)
7. Accept retirement notice effective June 1, 2020 from Joseph M. Rogers, 6th grade ELA and 6th-8th grade SPE teacher at Priceville Junior High School. (See attachment)
8. Approve the transfer of Gregory Vaughn Burden from 9 month to 12 month Computer End-User Technician for Morgan County Schools effective April 10, 2020. Mr. Burden will be replacing Teidra Hill who is resigning. See attachments)
9. Approve the employment of Lisa Screws as secretary/media relations for Morgan County Schools effective April 10, 2020. Ms. Screws will be replacing Myra Day who retired. (See attachments)

Mr. Holmes moved and Mr. Glenn seconded the motion to approve personnel items one through nine as written.

The motion was unanimously approved.

The Superintendent announced that in accordance with guidance set forth by the State, Mrs. Goode would have the minutes of the meeting available within 12 hours of adjournment.

Adjournment

With no other business before the Board, Mr. Dobbs moved to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was seconded by Mr. Glenn and was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Signed this the ________________ day of __________________________, 2020.
Mr. John Holley, Chairman, Morgan County Board of Education

Mr. Bill W. Hopkins, Jr., Superintendent, Morgan County Schools

Recorder of Minutes