

# MINUTES

## Board of Education for the County of Mingo

110 Cinderella Road, Williamson, WV 25661

Special Meeting

Workshop

February 4, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

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### I. Call to order

President Slone called the meeting to order. The time was 5:06 p.m.

**Board Members present were:** Tom Slone, President; John W. Preece, Braydan Goff, and Deanna Wellman. David Jewell, Vice President; was not in attendance. Superintendent, Dr. Johnny Branch attended.

**Members of the Press in attendance:** Bruce Justice of the Mingo Messenger; Josh Brown of the Williamson Daily News

**Central Office Staff in attendance:** Patrick Billips, Director of Technology; Tonya Hagy, RN, BSN Lead School Nurse; William Hensley, Director of Maintenance; Kay Maynard, Director Child Nutrition & Wellness; Rodney McCoy, Professional Accountant; Virginia Taylor-Mounts, Technology Integration Facilitator; Christie Tilley, Coordinator of Parent Involvement; Janet Varney, Director of Special Education; Leah Wireman, Director of Human Resources

### II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Wellman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Before we started Mr. Preece objected to the agenda. It was not the meeting he called for. He read through a list of items and requests. (about 20 minutes.)

#### a. Information and discussion: Financial update

Mr. McCoy had a handout. It consisted of an Income statement and Balance sheet. He was able to show comparisons of revenues, expenses, etc. There was a PowerPoint report. Mr. McCoy explained each page. He answered all questions.

#### b. Information and discussion: Personnel Planning: Review of Preliminary Computations for Public School Support Program and Enrollment

Mrs. Wireman had a handout. She shared the trend in student enrollment. Numbers were down 853 students from 2017. Comps were shared in the report. There was also information on overage of Professional and Service Personnel and how the county handled those. Dr. Branch shared information.

46           **c. Information and discussion: Prioritized projects on the current CEF and process for**  
47           **amending the CEF**

48 Dr. Branch had information regarding the CEF (Comprehensive Educational Facilities Plan) and MIP  
49 (Major Improvement Projects). Mr. Hensley had handouts. He explained information from the  
50 handouts, and introduced Mr. Greg Martin from Williamson Shriver Architects. Mr. Martin was helpful  
51 in explaining how to prioritize items for the MIP. He explained that the plan was to consolidate 68  
52 projects into 18 or 20.

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54           **d. Discussion and possible action: Process for conducting a search for Superintendent of**  
55           **Mingo County Schools**

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57 Leslie Tyree, legal advisor for school districts, addressed this item. She explained the process for  
58 conducting a search.

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60 Mr. Preece made the motion for Mrs. Tyree to initiate the process for a new Superintendent. Mrs.  
61 Wellman seconded that motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

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63           **III. Adjournment**

64 Mr. Preece made the motion to adjourn.

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66 The time was 6:37 p.m.

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68           **Next Regular Meeting**

69 February 18, 2025

 3-28-25  
Superintendent, Dr. Johnny Branch            Date

Minutes were State approved 3-18-25