

Carroll County Board of Education Special Meeting

March 04, 2014 4:00 PM

Carroll County Board of Education Conference Room

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Attendance Taken at 4:00 PM:

Present Board Members:

Ms. Carolyn Jones

Mrs. Mona Kindoll

Mrs. Drusilla Maiden

Ms. Mary Ann Pearson

Mr. Rob Spenneberg

Dr. Lisa James, Superintendent; Bill Hogan, Assistant Superintendent/CAO; Jon Conrad, Treasurer; were also present. Tracie Crawford, Board Secretary was absent.

2. Approval of Agenda

Order #60914 - Motion Passed: Approved agenda items 1 - 4 as presented. Passed 5-0 with a motion by Ms. Mary Ann Pearson and a second by Mrs. Drusilla Maiden.

Ms. Carolyn Jones Yes

Mrs. Mona Kindoll Yes

Mrs. Drusilla Maiden Yes

Ms. Mary Ann Pearson Yes

Mr. Rob Spenneberg Yes

3. Discussion

3.A. Discussion and Approval of the 2013-2014 Calendar

Order #60915 - Motion Passed: Discussed the 2013-2014 amended school calendar as presented. Mr. Curell discussed the 2013-2014 calendar and stated that the present calendar that was approved has make-up days until June 4, 2014 built in. At this time our last day would be June 3, 2014. Mrs. Kindoll stated that at the last Regular Board Meeting, that Mrs. Maiden wasn't present, she had taken a consensus to see what everyone wanted to do and again the board members were split 2-2. Since a decision couldn't be reached it was decided that we would have a special meeting. The options that were discussed but not limited too were: add days to the end of the calendar, to take three days of spring break, or take all of spring break. We discussed using Saturday's however with the ATC Students this is not the best option because of trying to provide an alternate education for them during those times. Mrs. Kindoll stated that taking Memorial Day Holiday was an option, and that everyone was ok with using this day. Mrs. Maiden did state that she would prefer to not use Memorial Day Holiday as a make-up day but could compromise if it was needed. Dr. James did interject before an informal poll was taken, that if we take Memorial Day Holiday then that would have the students only going one day within the week in June on June 2nd as the last day which would be hard on the district because students wouldn't be at school. If we decide to take days in spring break or at other times we need to look at the calendar and see if we would have the students only attending one day. If the board is in agreement to allow the calendar to end with the last day being on a Monday this not a problem, however I did want you to

be aware when making choices that if we have more than one day, students are more accountable and will attend school as opposed to having the one day remaining. Mrs. Kindoll did state that Owen, Gallatin, and Trimble Counties were taking three days to make up snow days during Spring Break. Mr. Spenneberg stated that he preferred to not take spring break, leave Memorial Day holiday alone, add the snow days onto the calendar at the end. Mrs. Pearson did not want to take spring break and stated that we should add the days on to the end of the calendar. Mrs. Kindoll wanted to take three days of spring break, Mrs. Maiden wanted to keep spring break, leave Memorial Day alone and add the snow days at the end, and Ms. Jones stated that she wanted to take three days of Spring break and Memorial Day holiday, she didn't feel it was productive for the students to add the days onto the end. Mrs. Kindoll stated that three members wanted to add the days onto the end and if we miss any additional days we can take Memorial Day holiday? Dr. James stated that we can revisit the calendar if we miss additional days and look at possibly taking Memorial Day, that we did not need to decide tonight on the complete amended calendar, however we need to let the employees and parents know if we were going to still keep spring break or not at this point. We don't need to continue to look at spring break as a potential make-up day after this meeting, we need to decide on spring break and let everyone know as that is only fair since it is less than a month away and any additional decisions on make-up days can be revisited if additional days are missed. Mrs. Jones stated that she has parents discussing with her that they have vacations and camps planned in June, will those students be counted absent. Dr. James explained that these are make-up days and treated like any school day. Mrs. Maiden stated that since this calendar is the calendar that was approved, we have make-up days scheduled until June 4th, so everyone was aware that these days could be make-up days. Mrs. Kindoll stated that this was not the calendar that was adopted, that we have changed this calendar. Mr. Curell stated, that yes we have filled in areas that we have made-up and we have changed those dates, however all calendars that were given at the beginning of the year had make-up days until June 4th. Mrs. Kindoll asked what do we do if days missed leads us into the following week of June 9-13 and graduation is moved to June 15th? Dr. James stated that we still have options of using Memorial Day holiday, if the House passes the bill we may be able to use Election day, we can look at Saturday school however we will have 296 students that we will need to make an alternative education plan for when those students are scheduled to be at the Area Technology Center. Mrs. Kindoll stated that the general consensus is to add the days at the end. As of now June 8th, will be graduation. Any additional days missed because of inclement weather we could look at the calendar and revisit at a later time. Dr. James stated that in the motion we should state that in the event that we have additional snow days we can revisit the calendar again and look at Memorial Day, Saturdays, and if the bill passes using election day. Dr. James also reiterated that every district in the state is facing these decisions about how to make-up snow days. Mrs. Kindoll stated that we need a Motion to approve not taking Spring break and continuing to add days onto the end of the calendar to make-up days missed and if we miss any additional days then we can look at the calendar and possibly take Memorial Day, Saturday School, and election day if the bill passes in the house. Passed 3-2 with a motion by Mr. Rob Spenneberg and a second by Mrs. Drusilla Maiden.

Ms. Carolyn Jones	No
Mrs. Mona Kindoll	No
Mrs. Drusilla Maiden	Yes
Ms. Mary Ann Pearson	Yes
Mr. Rob Spenneberg	Yes

4. Adjournment

Order #60916 - Motion Passed: Approved adjourning the March 4, 2014 Special Board Meeting at 4:18 p.m. Passed 5-0 with a motion by Ms. Carolyn Jones and a second by Mr. Rob Spenneberg.

Ms. Carolyn Jones	Yes
Mrs. Mona Kindoll	Yes
Mrs. Drusilla Maiden	Yes
Ms. Mary Ann Pearson	Yes
Mr. Rob Spenneberg	Yes

Chairperson

Secretary