The National Anthem was presented by Conner Middle School Orchestra under the direction of Jim Daughters.

The Pledge to the Flag was presented by 5th grade students from Goodridge Elementary School.

The board recognized Mrs. Mary "Bunny" Brown, 2nd grade teacher at Mann Elementary, as the April 2013 Break the Mold Award winner. Mrs. Brown was honored for her dedication and commitment to our Boone County students and staff.

The board recognized the March 2013 Sportsmanship Award recipients. Tyler Morgan from Boone County High School, Olivia Panella from Conner High School, Lauren Willett from Cooper High School and Justin Hoard from Ryle High School.

No one spoke.

The Board of Education approved the following:

- Minutes of the regular board meeting of March 21, 2013.
- Bill List for April 2013
- Treasurer's Report
  - The treasurer’s report was given by Linda Schild.
- Leaves of Absence
  - The board approved the leaves of absence, as presented.
- Equipment Maintenance Agreement Mann Elementary School
  - The board approved the equipment maintenance agreement for three copiers to be leased at Mann Elementary, as presented.
- Bus Request- Children's Inc
  - The board approved the bus request from Children's Inc, for the summer program at Ockerman, as presented.
- School Fees, Admissions Fees, Transcript Fees, and Meal Prices for 2013-2014 School Year
  - The board approved the School Fees, Admissions Fees, Transcript Fees, and Meal Prices for 2013-2014 School Year, as presented.
- Conner High School Football Agreement
  - The board approved the Conner High School Football Agreement, as presented.
- Bus Request- City of Florence
  - The board approved the bus request from the City of Florence for the Renegades event, as presented.
- Usage Request for Boone County High School from the City of Florence
  - The board approved the usage of Boone County High School from the City of Florence for the Renegades event on May 26, 2013, as presented.
- Boone County High School -HVAC Improvements BG#13-097
  - The board approved the proposal from Geiler Company and the revised BG-1 for the Boone County High School HVAC Improvements project, as presented.
• **Erpenbeck and Yealey Elementary Reroofing Project BG#13-096**
The board approved and accepted the proposal from William Kramer & Sons Inc, and the revised BG-1, for the Erpenbeck and Yealey Elementary Reroofing Project BG#13-096, as presented.

• **USAA Summer Academy Membership Fee**
The board approved the USAA Summer Academy Membership fee in the amount of $425.00, as presented.

• **Field Trip Request**
The board approved the Field Trip Request, as presented.

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**OLD BUSINESS**

• **Second Reading- Board Policy 09.2212-Restraint & Seclusion**
The board approved the second reading of the board policy 09.2212, Restraint & Seclusion, as presented.

**NEW BUSINESS**

• **District-Wide Administrator - Job Description**
The board approved the proposed job description of District-Wide Administrator, as presented.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

• Ed Massey and Superintendent Poe presented to the board a power point presentation on “Catching Up or Leading the Way in the Age of Globalization. A Comparative Analysis of Finnish Education, US Education and Boone County Schools”. Mr. Massey and Superintendent Poe reported on their recent educational conference in Finland. Superintendent Poe spoke on presenting our district work at the University of Helsinki.

**AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS**

Kevin Kennedy, Union Kentucky. He stated that the information on the Finland education systems was very interesting and thanked Mr. Massey and Superintendent Poe for bringing it to the meeting. He asked.... What does the board intend to do with the Finland data gathered, in terms of other superintendents getting together working on a state level with legislators? And part two, you mentioned their SBDM are structured in a regional format in Finland and in Kentucky, KERA has structured Site Based Councils on a local school based format and with Bushy vs. Boone County Board of Education from many years ago set many fire walls there and if you are laboring under a unresponsive site based council. What can we learn from Finland to make our system better, more responsive to parents and to the elected representative verses what we have now?
Superintendent Poe responded by discussing the presentation to the Boone County Businessmen and the detailed sessions with the principals concerning the Finnish way in education. He stated that we have encouraged our principals to go back and look at how we can learn from this experience, for example under world culture, how we can start a world culture program in our elementary schools. While working with the board, we will work on a pilot program with our clusters and the site based councils can use this as a model. We would like our students to be globally competitive. Superintendent Poe discussed in length the world language program. Superintendent Poe discussed the programs concerning fine motor skills and Karen Cheser elaborated on how we are expanding our programs. Superintendent Poe discussed the district will be looking into using this data and the information sharing with the cohort of superintendents that attended.

Mr. Massey discussed the Finnish makeup of what they call their site based council and the way their council consults and assist the principals. The Finnish do not have a local board of education; they have a regional board and are appointed. He also spoke on the tiered down approach from the Ministry of Education and compared the program to our State Education. Mr. Massey discussed further the education system and the expectations of the parents. The Finnish program does have what he would compare to our PTA. Mr. Massey stated the Finnish does not have the same system as our SBDM councils.

Superintendent Poe stated that we cannot dictate to a site based council and spoke on the structure of the SBDM. We need to lead them and challenge them to get better by showing examples of successful programs. Hopefully, through the collective efforts of the SBDM councils, we can work to bring model programs to our district. We will continue the challenge on high standards. We are not going to be able to convince every site based council to start a world language program. But, we will be asking the board to set up a model of a world language program in one of our elementary schools and show the SBDM councils how the program can work. This type of program modeling is how the board has brought other programs such as RTI, alternative schools and credit recovery courses..... We will lead the way and show the SBDM councils successful examples of programs.

NEXT MEETING

May 9, 2013
Ralph Rush Staff Development- Florence, KY