

MENIFEE COUNTY

School Board expresses appreciation for outgoing Superintendent



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Supt. Tim Spencer was recognized during last Thursday’s Board of Education for his ten years of service to the Menifee County School District. Board Chair Greg Spencer said Supt. Spencer showed “true leadership and commitment to our students, staff, and community.” He was recognized for overseeing several big projects in the district, including the construction of Menifee Central School, new Board Office, and the Sports Complex, and he has worked with community leaders to ensure that student athletes have new baseball and softball fields for next season. He noted that Supt. Spencer’s consistent message has always been “Students first.” “That message is clear in everything he does,” Greg Spencer noted. “We have a lasting legacy here.” Supt. Spencer received a standing ovation. He told board members. “It hasn’t been me – it’s

been the community. All of my decision are based on one thing, what is best for these kids in this county.” He ended by saying, “It’s been a pleasure to be here – I love Menifee County.” Menifee County Chamber of Commerce President Cynthia Luallen presented Supt. Spencer with a plaque of appreciation. Supt. Spencer announced his retirement from his position last year. Board members selected Assistant Supt. Josh Kincaid as Menifee County’s new Superintendent. Chairman Spencer delivered Supt. Spencer’s last evaluation and thanked him for his time with the school district, giving him a perfect four out of four rating. Board members approved a pay-out of 10 annual leave days for Supt. Spencer, at his request, along with his evaluation. Supt. Spencer read a letter at the end of Thursday’s meeting and said that it was an honor for him to serve as state manager and superintendent over the past ten years. He said people across the state are now talking about the progress Menifee County has made,

which he said is a testament to students, staff and boards members. He noted that in the past two weeks, with Tonya Means being named as Administrator of the Year and Aiden Manley elected as state FFA President, the school district has reached important milestones. “People across the state know where Menifee County is now,” he said. He said both he and his wife are retiring this year and hope to spend their time babysitting their new granddaughter and traveling. He thanked the board for making the right decisions for Menifee County’s kids. Supt. Spencer said Treasurer Lorri Bartley was on vacation but noted that the district would have an ending balance of nearly \$400,000 by June 30. He also reported that the district served 8500 meals last week as part of the summer feeding program by the school district, and over 20,000 served the previous three weeks. He said the program will be operating for the next five weeks. He also praised the cooking staff for their “outstanding

work.” Tonya Means delivered the Director’s report, with an overview of the previous school year, including how the district’s Portrait of a Learner has been implemented in various activities, indicators of academic growth, the Summer Feeding program, and attendance. Board members also heard a Principal update from Dr. Leisa Reed, who noted that ACT schools were up across the board this year. Board members also voted to appoint Joshua Kincaid at Board Secretary, effective July 1.

After some discussion, board members approved a first reading of revising policies and procedures for the 2025-26 school year. Supt. Spencer noted that in all his years in education, he has not previously seen the amount of legislation coming out of the 30-day session of this year’s General Assembly that will have effects on the day-to-day operation of the school district. Among those included mandatory moment of silence, Pledge of Allegiance, personal communications devices, parental leave, kindergarten retention policy, and over-the-counter medication disbursement. He said he and his staff have thoroughly reviewed all policies and procedures for the district. They also voted to approve a traceable communications system to be used by the school district, based on recent Senate legislation. Approved communications platforms will include Microsoft Outlook email, Google Suite, Edgenuity Learning Platform, and a Menifee School District app, to be completed soon. Supt. Spencer said there are many issues to be resolved, including how to

conduct NTI days and virtual learning. He said they are also working on developing a waiver for parents. Supt. Spencer noted that while the intention behind the legislation is good, it would need adjustments. He advised board members that, if they volunteer at any capacity within the school district, to delete students from their Facebook accounts, due to the restrictions created by Senate Bill 181. Board attorney Grant Chenoweth said that Menifee County school employees are re-

stricted, under this new legislation, from contacting Menifee County students through non-approved communications platforms. Board Chairman Greg Spencer added that those who violate the law won’t care about the restrictions. Supt. Spencer said that once the law takes effect, the school district will have to turn off Facebook comments for School Board meetings, due to the potential for communication with a student.



Photo courtesy of Menifee County School District

Tonya Means was recognized during last Thursday's Board of Education meeting for being named the 2024-25 Russell W. Behanan KEC SAC Outstanding Administrator of the Year. She was recognized for her work “on behalf of State Agency children and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Kentucky,” according to the letter sent to the district announcing her award and read by Supt. Tim Spencer at the meeting. Means has worked for the district in a variety of roles and is currently the Director of Pupil Personnel and Director of Student Support Services. She will also serve as Assistant Superintendent beginning in the new school year. Supt. Spencer said he appreciated having her on his team at Menifee County School District. Means has been invited to attend an awards banquet to be held on July 29 at the Kentucky Alternative Education Summit in Lexington.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BATH CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION II
ACTION NO. 23-CR-00052

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

v.

JOHN BOWLES AND CANDI BOWLES

PLAINTIFF

DEFENDANTS

By virtue of an Agreed Order of Forfeiture entered in Bath Circuit Court on March 24, 2025, I will expose for sale to the highest and best bidder at the Courthouse door, in Owingsville, Bath County, Kentucky, on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at the hour of 12:00 p.m., the following described property:

PVA Map Number: 055-00-00-017.09
120 Fran Drive, Owingsville, Ky 40360

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY Conveyed to John Bowles and Candi Bowles, by Deed from Braxton Stump and wife, Erin Stump, dated June 10, 2014, of record in Deed Book 234, Page 420, Bath County Clerk's Office.

This property is sold subject to all real estate taxes, easements, and off-sales of record; and reference is hereby made to the office of the Bath County Clerk.

The terms of the sale shall be ten (10%) percent cash or check at the time of sale and the balance on credit of thirty (30) days with privilege of the successful bidder to pay in full at the time of sale. The successful bidder requesting credit must execute bond with approved surety bearing interest at the rate of six (6%) per annum from date of sale until paid, which bond shall have the full force and effect of a Judgment and should execution be issued thereon, no replevy shall be allowed. A lien shall exist and shall be retained by the Commissioner on the property sold as security for the purchase price.

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PVA Map Number: 061-00-00-021.00
1572 Adams Road, Owingsville, Ky 40360

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY Conveyed to John Bowles and Candi Bowles, by Deed from David Jackson and Peggy Jackson, dated May 4, 2023, of record in Deed Book 260, Page 422, Bath County Clerk's Office.

This property is sold subject to all real estate taxes, easements, and off-sales of record; and reference is hereby made to the office of the Bath County Clerk.

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BATH CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION I
ACTION NO. 24-CI-90121

NATIONS LENDING CORPORATION

v.

JOHN BOWLES, ET AL

PLAINTIFF

DEFENDANTS

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in Bath Circuit Court on May 19, 2025, to raise the sum of \$116,462.94, interest, fees, and the costs of sale, I will expose for sale to the highest and best bidder at the Courthouse door, in Owingsville, Bath County, Kentucky, on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at the hour of 12:00 p.m., the following described property:

Property Address: 3470 Old Sand Road, Owingsville, Ky 40360
PVA Map Number: 061-00-00-034.01

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY Conveyed to John Bowles and wife, Candi Bowles, by Deed from Randy Purvis and wife, Shannon Purvis, dated and recorded on November 2, 2020, in Deed Book 252, Page 645, Bath County Clerk's Office.

This property is sold subject to all real estate taxes, easements, and off-sales of record; and reference is hereby made to the office of the Bath County Clerk.

The terms of the sale shall be ten (10%) percent cash or check at the time of sale and the balance on credit of thirty (30) days with privilege of the successful bidder to pay in full at the time of sale. The successful bidder requesting credit must execute bond with approved surety bearing interest at the rate of six (6%) per annum from date of sale until paid, which bond shall have the full force and effect of a Judgment and should execution be issued thereon, no replevy shall be allowed. A lien shall exist and shall be retained by the Commissioner on the property sold as security for the purchase price.

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BATH CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION I
ACTION NO. 24-CI-90038

ADS TAX LIEN COMPANY, LLC AS ASSIGNEE FOR HIPP

v.

MICHELLE HUNT CALDWELL, ET AL

PLAINTIFF

DEFENDANTS

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in Bath Circuit Court on April 17, 2025, to raise the sum of \$7,484.82, interest, fees, and the costs of sale, I will expose for sale to the highest and best bidder at the Courthouse door, in Owingsville, Bath County, Kentucky, on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at the hour of 12:00 p.m., the following described property:

Property Address: 123 Long Branch Road, Sharpsburg, Ky 40374
PVA Map Number: 004-00-00-017.03

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY conveyed to Timothy Caldwell by deed from Sherrie Caldwell, dated February 27, 2003, of record in Deed Book 202, Page 494, Bath County Clerk's Office.

This property is sold subject to all real estate taxes, easements, and off-sales of record; and reference is hereby made to the office of the Bath County Clerk.

The terms of the sale shall be ten (10%) percent cash or check at the time of sale and the balance on credit of thirty (30) days with privilege of the successful bidder to pay in full at the time of sale. The successful bidder requesting credit must execute bond with approved surety bearing interest at the rate of six (6%) per annum from date of sale until paid, which bond shall have the full force and effect of a Judgment and should execution be issued thereon, no replevy shall be allowed. A lien shall exist and shall be retained by the Commissioner on the property sold as security for the purchase price.

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