Minutes of Buckeye Local Board of Education Organizational & Regular Meetings Held January 14, 2020 - 6:00 P.M. - Board Room - Braden Middle School

ORGANIZATIONAL & REGULAR MEETINGS

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS ABSENT

Shannon Pike, President Tina Stasiewski, Vice President Gregory Kocjancic David Tredente Mary Wisnyai

Also present were Superintendent Patrick Colucci and Treasurer Jamie Davis

CITIZENS PRESENT

Martha Sorohan, Mariana Branch, Kelley Louden, Nanette Adams, Amber Cleveland, Helena Richardson, Jim DuFour, Julie Phares

MEDITATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

01.20 ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

President Pro Tempore Wisnyai called for nominations for President of the Buckeye Local Board of Education. Mrs. Pike was nominated for Board President.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Pike, Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Tredente, and Mrs. Wisnyai Motion carried

Mrs. Pike was elected as the 2020 President of the Buckeye Local Board of Education.

02.20 ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

President Pike called for nominations for Vice President of the Buckeye Local Board of Education. Mrs. Wisnyai and Ms. Stasiewski were nominated for Vice President.

Roll call for Ms. Stasiewski was as follows:

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Ms. Stasiewski, and Mrs. Pike Nayes: Mr. Tredente and Mrs. Wisnyai Motion carried

Ms. Stasiewski was elected as the 2020 Vice President of the Buckeye Local Board of Education.

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03.20 SET DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF REGULAR MEETINGS

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Wisnyai that the regular business meetings be held at 6:30 P.M. on the following dates in the Board Office at Braden Middle School during calendar year 2020:

January 14 February 18 March 17 April 20 May 19 June 23 July 21 August 18 September 22 October 20 November 17 December 15

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Wisnyai, Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Tredente, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

04.20 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Ms. Stasiewski to approve the following:

ADOPT ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

Adopt Robert's Rules of Order, newly revised, as parliamentary authority governing the Board of Education, in all cases in which it is not inconsistent with statute, administrative code, or the bylaws.

APPOINTMENT OF LIAISONS TO THE OSBA

Appoint Mr. Kocjancic as the 2020 Legislative Liaison, Ms. Stasiewski as the 2020 Student Achievement Liaison, Mrs. Pike as the OSBA Capital Conference Delegate, and Ms. Stasiewski as the OSBA Capital Conference Alternate Delegate.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Tredente, Mrs. Wisnyai, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

05.20 Ms. Stasiewski moved and seconded by Mr. Kocjancic to approve the following:

OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (OSBA) MEMBERSHIP

Approve membership in OSBA for calendar year 2020 at a cost of \$4,756 as presented in **Exhibit A**. Further, to approve membership in the OSBA – Legal Assistance Fund for calendar year 2020 at a cost of \$250 as in **Exhibit B**.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Kocjancic, Mr. Tredente, Mrs. Wisnyai and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

06.20 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Wisnyai to approve the following:

2020 COMPENSATION FOR BOARD MEMBERS

That each Board member shall be compensated in the amounts and for the number of meetings as outlined in O.R.C. 3313.12 (Board of Education Bylaw 0147). Current compensation for Board members is \$125.00 per meeting, with no maximum number of meetings. Board members are paid monthly.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Wisnyai, Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Tredente, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

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07.20 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Wisnyai to approve the following:

SERVICE FUND

Approve an appropriation of \$10,000 to the "Service Fund" to be used for the purpose of paying the expenses actually incurred by board members in the performance of their duties.

According to Section 3315.15 of the Ohio Revised Code, the amount which may be appropriated to the "Service Fund" is not to exceed \$2.00 per pupil or \$20,000, whichever is greater.

OSBA, OASBO, BASA, and ACESC SEMINARS

Approve the Board of Education members, Superintendent and Treasurer's attendance at OSBA, OASBO, BASA, and the ACESC sponsored seminars held in 2020 and payment of the same to be made in accordance with Board practices.

REPRESENTATION OF LEGAL SERVICES

Approve the following list of firms for legal counsel representation during 2020:

Squire Patton Boggs (US) L.L.C. Andrews and Pontius, L.L.C. Gingo & Bair Law, L.L.C. McDonald and Hopkins, L.L.C. Bricker and Eckler, L.L.P.

Additionally, the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) and the Ashtabula County Prosecutor may be used as appropriate.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Wisnyai, Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Tredente, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

08.20 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mr. Tredente to approve the following:

DISTRICT COMMITTEES

Ad Hoc committees, including established district committees, may be created and changed at any time by the Board of Education President of which members shall be appointed by the President. Members will acknowledge representation when called upon.

Note: Acknowledge that the Records Commission is comprised of the Board of Education President, Treasurer, and Superintendent. R.C. 149.41 – The Records Commission must meet every 12 months. It is required to inventory the district's public records and adopt a records retention schedule.

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PUBLIC RECORDS TRAINING

That the Board designate the Superintendent and/or Treasurer to attend, on behalf of the Board, the public records training which is required under Ohio Revised Code Section 109.43(B).

TREASURER ITEMS

AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION

Resolution to authorize the Treasurer of the Buckeye Local School District to request advances as necessary from the County Auditor;

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to authorize the Treasurer to pay bills on a monthly basis, if the expenditure issued is provided in the Annual Appropriations Resolution. A report shall be made monthly to the board of education of a complete and detailed list of bills paid the previous month. At that time, approval on the action taken will be requested;

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to authorize the Treasurer to declare interim funds and proceed with the investments during calendar year 2020 in accordance with the Uniform Depository Law. A report shall be made monthly to the board of education of each investment that has been made. At that time, approval of the action taken will be requested;

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to authorize the Treasurer to appropriate as needed at the end of each month, and to transfer to any other fund as necessary in order to avoid an operating deficit;

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to authorize the Treasurer to designate these newspapers of general circulation in the district to continue to receive meeting notices as required by law:

- Star Beacon
- Gazette news

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to authorize the signature of the Treasurer or the facsimile thereof, to be used on all checks and warrants.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mr. Tredente, Ms. Stasiewski, Mrs. Wisnyai, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

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SUPERINTENDENT ITEMS

09.20 AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Ms. Stasiewski to authorize the following resolution:

Resolution to grant authority to the Superintendent of the Buckeye Local School District to excuse teachers and other school employees for attendance at, and provide all approved expenses for professional and/or in-service meetings in 2020;

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to grant the Superintendent or his designee authority to file applications for all projects considered desirable for the Buckeye Local School District;

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to designate the Superintendent or his designee as purchasing agent for the Buckeye Local School District for 2020;

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to authorize the Superintendent, under the provisions of O.R.C. 3313.47 to employ personnel, extend contracts and accept resignations when necessary between board meetings;

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to recognize the Superintendent or his designee as the appeal officer for out-of-school suspensions;

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to authorize the Superintendent to delegate to principals the authority to enter into contracts as needed, in areas of photography, yearbook, graduations, and related school events. Principals must notify Superintendent previous of such agreements;

AND FURTHER RESOLVE to authorize the Superintendent to apply for supplemental local, state and federal monies to be appropriated by the Treasurer in accordance with the approved budget and/or grant guidelines.

APPOINTMENT TO POSITIONS FOR THE 2020 YEAR

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint the High School Principal/Middle School Principal to work collaboratively in the following positions:

- 1. Title IX Hearing Officer
- 2. Anti-Harassment Grievance Officer
- 3. 504 Compliance Officer
- 4. Civil Rights Coordinator
- 5. Homeless Liaison

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Tredente, Mrs. Wisnyai, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

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COMMUNICATION/SPECIAL REPORTS

Kingsville Public Library – Partnership update from Amber Cleveland Ashtabula County District Library – Partnership update from Helena Richardson School Board Recognition/Proclamation by Patrick Colucci and Jamie Davis, **Exhibit C**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

TREASURER'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

It is the recommendation of the Treasurer that the Board approve the following items:

10.20 Ms. Stasiewski moved and seconded by Mr. Kocjancic to have a separate vote on the December minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Kocjancic, Mr. Tredente, Mrs. Wisnyai, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

11.20 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Wisnyai to approve the December minutes.

Approval of Minutes

Approve the December BOE meeting minutes as presented to the board on January 9, 2020.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Wisnyai, Mr. Tredente, and Mrs. Pike Abstained: Ms. Stasiewski Motion carried

12.20 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Ms. Stasiewski to approve the following:

Financial Reports

Approve bills paid in December and the financial reports as presented to the board on January 9, 2020.

Operational Substitute Pay Rates

Revise pay rates to \$8.70/hour for the following substitutes serving in operational positions due to state guidelines, effective January 1, 2020:

- Administrative Assistants
- Aides Bus, Library, SMEA
- Cafeteria Cooks and Service Personnel
- Central Call-In
- Courier
- Crossing Guards
- Student Workers

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2020-2021 Fiscal Year Tax Budget

Adopt the tax budget for the eighteen-month period commencing July 1, 2020, as in **Exhibit D**.

Mileage Rate Decrease

Approve \$0.575 as the Federal IRS prescribed mileage rate effective January 1, 2020.

EdChoice Scholarship (Voucher) Program

Adopt the resolution to oppose the EdChoice Scholarship Program as presented in **Exhibit E**.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Tredente, Mrs. Wisnyai, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

13.20 It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following items:

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Ms. Stasiewski to approve the following: Board Policy - Volume 38, Number 1, August 2019, Second Reading

As sent to the Board of Education on December 13, 2019, please review the following revised and/or new board policies for board adoption:

- Po1615 (New) Use of Tobacco by Administrators
- Po3215 (Revised) Use of Tobacco by Professional Staff
- Po4215 (Revised) Use of Tobacco by Classified Staff
- Po5512 (Revised) Use of Tobacco
- Po7434 (Revised) Use of Tobacco on School Premises
- Po8400 (Reissued) School Safety

Accept Gifts

1) Accept a donation from Greg Sweet Chevy Network in the amount of \$16,000.00 for the Weight Room.

2) Accept a donation from The Shelby Family Foundation of Ashtabula in the amount of \$1,000.00 to help pay for meals for students.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Tredente, Mrs. Wisnyai, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

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PERSONNEL

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following Personnel items:

14.20 Mrs. Wisnyai moved and seconded by Mr. Kocjancic to approve the following items:

Certified Staff:

Temporary Intervention Specialist Teacher - Braden Middle School

Katie Carter was assigned as a temporary Intervention Specialist Teacher at Braden Middle School beginning October 28, 2019 through January 10, 2020. Katie will be placed at a Masters, 1 year experience, \$9,493.26.

Classified Staff:

Classified Staff - Employment of Substitutes as presented:

Student Worker Kory Manhard

All personnel appointments are contingent upon possessing or obtaining the appropriate certification/licensure, validation, and/or permit as required by law and board policy, as well as satisfactory physical examination, criminal background check and/or current CPR training where applicable.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Wisnyai, Mr. Kocjancic, Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Tredente, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried

VISITOR PARTICIPATION RELATIVE TO NEW ITEMS

None

OTHER BUSINESS – FYI

The Board would like wish students their best at the Districtwide Spelling Bee.

15.20 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Ms. Stasiewski to adjourn this regular meeting at 6:44P.M.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Ms. Stasiewski, Mr. Tredente, Mrs. Wisnyai, and Mrs. Pike Motion carried