

**BUCKEYE LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, December 19, 2023  
6:30 p.m. – Regular Board Meeting  
Wallace H. Braden Middle School

**“BUCKEYE – WE EDUCATE FOR SUCCESS.”**

**VISION STATEMENT**

The Buckeye Local School District unifies individuals, communities and resources to create a **WORLD CLASS LEARNING COMMUNITY** that gives **ALL** students the opportunity to be successful in **THEIR** future.

**GOALS**

The Buckeye Local Board of Education has established the following goals:

The board of education will achieve excellence in learner-focused governance.

The board of education will conduct efficient and effective meetings.

The board of education will increase community and staff trust and satisfaction.

*This meeting is a meeting of the board of education in public for the purpose of conducting the school district's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda. Please complete a public participation form and submit it to the board president prior to the start of the meeting.*

*Board Policy # 0165.1, Item B*

**Buckeye Local Board of Education**

**Mary Wisnyai, President**

**David Tredente, Vice President**

**Gregory Kocjancic**

**Stephanie Patriarco**

**Shannon Pike**

**Mr. Patrick Colucci**  
**Superintendent**

**Mrs. Cassandra Brand**  
**Treasurer**

**BUCKEYE LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, December 19, 2023**

**1. Opening Items**

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A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call of Members

\_\_\_ **Wisnyai** \_\_\_ **Tredente** \_\_\_ **Kocjancic** \_\_\_ **Patriarco** \_\_\_ **Pike**

C. Meditation

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Communications/Special Reports

1) Buckeye's November Students of the Month

Thank you to our sponsors:

- Ashtabula County YMCA
- Briquettes Smokehouse
- Kids Only Learning Center
- Cash America Pawn
- CompTech PCS
- Demshar Eaton CPA
- Glotzbecker's Service Center
- Hoffmans Pharmacy
- Lakeview Federal Credit Union
- Melaragno HVAC
- Ringer Wholesale Imprints, Inc.
- Steak 'n Shake Ashtabula
- Thomas Fence Company
- Tony's Deli & Catering

Congratulations to the following students:

- Adam Hamilton, 11<sup>th</sup> grade, Edgewood High School
- Zachary Tackett, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, Braden Middle School
- Ryleigh Leveto-Favero, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Kingsville Elementary School
- Elijah Hamalainen, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Ridgeview Elementary School

F. Public Participation Relative to Agenda Items (Bylaw 0169.1) & the Following:

Please complete a public participation form and submit it to the board president prior to the start of the meeting. We welcome your comments and/or questions during this time. Statements shall be limited to three (3) minutes. Please keep comments brief and to the point. Do not reflect adversely on the political or economic view, ethnic background, character or motives of any individual.

G. Correspondence

## 2. Treasurer's Report

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### Reports & Recommendations:

*It is the recommendation of the Treasurer that the BOE approve the following items as presented in 2A – 2I (See item 2J as a separate voting item):*

- A. Approve the November 21, 2023 BOE Regular Meeting minutes and the November 29, 2023 Special Meeting minutes, as presented to the board on December 11, 2023.
- B. Approve bills paid in November and the financial reports as presented to the board on December 11, 2023.
- C. Student Activity Appropriation Adjustments  
Approve the Student Activity appropriation adjustments in the amount of \$9,854.51.
- D. BEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Amendment – Evaluations  
Approve the amended BEA MOU regarding teacher evaluations, as presented in **Exhibit A**.
- E. Procuts Lawncare Snow Plowing  
Accept the proposal from Procuts Lawncare for one year of snow plowing services at Kingsville Elementary School, as presented in **Exhibit B**.
- F. EDGE Software License Renewal  
Approve an agreement with EDGE Document Solutions for the renewal of the software license for Ultimate EDGE financial print software, effective January 1, 2024, as presented in **Exhibit C**.
- G. Arcadia Cell Phone Tower Agreement  
Approve the Master Marketing Agreement between Arcadia Infrastructure Group and Buckeye Local Schools to provide Arcadia with the exclusive right to market properties for the purpose of constructing one or more monopoles or other similar structures to wireless service providers for a period of five (5) years, as presented in **Exhibit D**.
- H. UAW Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Amendment – Bus Driver Calamity Days and Non-Report Days  
Approve the amended UAW MOU regarding bus driver calamity and non-report days, as presented in **Exhibit E**.
- I. Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Hearing, Organizational Meeting, and Regular Meeting Dates  
January 9, 2024
  - 5:30 PM: FY25 Budget Hearing
  - 6:00 PM: Organizational Meeting
  - 6:30 PM: Regular Meeting

\_\_\_ Wisnyai \_\_\_ Tredente \_\_\_ Kocjancic \_\_\_ Patriarco \_\_\_ Pike

J. Appoint President Pro Tempore

Appoint a President Pro Tempore for the January 9, 2024 Organizational Meeting

\_\_\_ Wisnyai \_\_\_ Tredente \_\_\_ Kocjancic \_\_\_ Patriarco \_\_\_ Pike

3. Superintendent’s Report

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**Superintendent’s Reports & Recommendations**

*It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the BOE approve the following items as presented in 3A – 3C (See item 3D as a separate voting item):*

A. Indoor Track

Approve the opportunity for high school students to participate in indoor track, effective December 1, 2023.

B. Board Policies and Guidelines – Second Reading

Approve the following board policies and guidelines as presented to the board on November 17, 2023:

Special Update – May 2023

- po0164 – Notice of Meetings

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| • po0164    | • po5320    | • po6700 | • po8650 |
| • po014.2   | • po5330    | • po7440 | • po9160 |
| • po2623.02 | • po5330.04 | • po8120 | • po9270 |
| • po3120.08 | • po5330.05 | • po8210 |          |
| • po4120.08 | • po5337    | • po8330 |          |
| • po5113.01 | • po6240    | • po8600 |          |

C. Accept Gifts

- 1) Accept a donation from the Montrose Chevrolet Auto Group (Fitzpatrick Media Group, LLC) to the Buckeye Local School District’s Fall Sports Program in the amount of \$1,000.
- 2) Accept a donation from The Ashtabula Area City School District to the Buckeye Local School District’s Buildings and Grounds/Athletic Department of a Two Door FireGuard Safe valued at \$2,000.

\_\_\_ Wisnyai \_\_\_ Tredente \_\_\_ Kocjancic \_\_\_ Patriarco \_\_\_ Pike

D. Kingsville Public Library (KPL) Levy Renewal – Resolution to Proceed

Approve the resolution for the Kingsville Public Library to proceed with submitting to the electors of the Kingsville Public Library a renewal/increase levy on the March 19, 2024 ballot, as presented in **Exhibit F**.

\_\_\_\_ **Wisnyai** \_\_\_\_ **Tredente** \_\_\_\_ **Kocjancic** \_\_\_\_ **Patriarco** \_\_\_\_ **Pike**

**4. Personnel**

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*It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following Personnel items as presented in 4A – 4K):*

**Administrative Staff:**

A. Administrative – Longevity

Nikolas Rubesich, Principal at Braden Middle School, 2% longevity, \$1,567.59, effective August 1, 2023.

**Certified Staff:**

B. Certified – Tutor

1) Kevin Rettinger, Home Instruction Tutor, for no more than 5 hours per week, hourly tutor rate of \$25.51 per hour, effective November 30, 2023.

C. Certified – Long-Term Substitute

Gretchen Hill, Long-Term Substitute, Braden Middle School, effective on the 61<sup>st</sup> day of current assignment, effective November 30, 2023, at \$196.96 per day.

D. Certified – Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

- 1) Mario Butera, teacher at Kingsville and Ridgeview, effective February 17, 2024, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.
- 2) Rachel Howell, teacher at Braden Middle School, effective March 13, 2024, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.
- 3) Lindsey McGraw, teacher at Ridgeview Elementary, effective February 17, 2024, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.
- 4) Karrie Powers, teacher at Ridgeview Elementary, effective March 17, 2024, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.

E. Certified –Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignments:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Yrs Exp</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Chris Juncker	Varsity Boys Asst. Track	2/19/24	7+	\$4,008.07
Beth Simpson	Varsity Girls Asst. Track	2/19/24	7+	\$4,008.07
Mary Cornely	7/8 Girls Asst. Track	2/19/24	7+	\$4,008.07
McKenzie Wallace	7/8 Girls Asst. Track	2/19/24	3	\$3,279.33

F. Certified/Non-Employees - Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignments:

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO APPOINT CERTIFIED / LICENSED NON-EMPLOYEE(S) TO SUPPLEMENTAL POSITION(S)**

**WHEREAS**, the Buckeye Local Board of Education strives to appoint qualified certified/licensed employees to fulfill supplemental contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, the board has offered the following supplemental position(s) to certified/licensed employee(s) of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, no such employee(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

**WHEREAS**, the position(s) was then advertised to certified/licensed individual(s) who are not employed by the board; and

**WHEREAS**, no such person(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

**WHEREAS**, the board has deemed the following licensed/ certified individuals identified below as qualified to fill the supplemental position(s);

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Buckeye Local Board of Education, in compliance with O.R.C. 3313.53(D), awards the following supplemental contract(s), for the school year indicated below, to the following person(s):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Yrs Exp</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Joseph Measel	JV Baseball	2023-24	2/19/24	0	\$3,279.33
Louis Murphy	7/8 Boys Tennis	2023-24	2/19/24	3	\$1,457.48

G. Non-Certified/Non-Employees - Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignments:

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO APPOINT NON-CERTIFIED / NON-LICENSED NON-EMPLOYEE(S) TO SUPPLEMENTAL POSITION(S)**

**WHEREAS**, the Buckeye Local Board of Education strives to appoint qualified certified/licensed employees to fulfill supplemental contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, the board has offered the following supplemental position(s) to certified/licensed employee(s) of the district; and

**WHEREAS**, no such employee(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

**WHEREAS**, the position(s) was then advertised to certified/licensed individual(s) who are not employed by the board; and

**WHEREAS**, no such person(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

**WHEREAS**, the board has deemed the following non-licensed/non-certified individuals identified below as qualified to fill the supplemental position(s);

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Buckeye Local Board of Education, in compliance with O.R.C. 3313.53(D), awards the following supplemental contract(s), for the school year indicated below, to the following person(s):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Yrs Exp</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Christine Batanian	7/8 Boys Asst. Track	2023-24	2/19/24	3	\$3,279.33
Brittany Mackey	JV Softball	2023-24	2/19/24	2	\$3,279.33
Paul Zander	Winter Basketball Coordinator	2023-24	12/11/23	N/A	\$500.00

**Classified Staff:**

H. Classified – Change in Assignment

- 1) Linda Fogus, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Custodian at Ridgeview to 1<sup>st</sup> Shift Custodian at Kingsville, 8 hours per day, Step 3 of 6, \$18.63 per hour, effective November 6, 2023.
- 2) Richard Hoback, from Maintenance to 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Custodian at Ridgeview, 8 hours per day, Step 3 of 6, \$18.63 per hour, effective January 3, 2024.

I. Classified – Substitutes

- 1) Renee Cameron – Custodian
- 2) Nicole Goodenow - Secretary
- 3) Ryan Prinkey – Custodian
- 4) Candy Shelott – Crossing Guard
- 5) Michael Vendetti - Custodian

J. Volunteers:

- 1) Jade Buhite – Boys Tennis
- 2) Andrew Graeb – Baseball
- 3) Terrance Henton – Girls Track
- 4) Randy Hibbard – Wrestling
- 5) Matt lanetta – Softball
- 6) William Kline – Spring Musical
- 7) Jim Lamson – Softball
- 8) Jacob McKee – Spring Musical
- 9) Willie Ortega – Baseball
- 10) Chad Paolillo – Softball

K. One-Year Temporary Non-Bachelor's Substitute Teaching License 2023-2024 School Year

In accordance with the passage of Senate Bill 1 of the 134<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, the Ohio Department of Education has been granted the authority to issue a one-time, non-renewable One-Year Temporary Non-Bachelor's Substitute Teaching License for the

2023-2024 school year to applicants who do not hold a post-secondary degree but meet the employing school or district's educational requirements with board approval.

- 1) Megan English – effective December 14, 2023
- 2) Josephine Measel – effective December 5, 2023

*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.*

\_\_\_ Wisnyai \_\_\_ Tredente \_\_\_ Kocjancic \_\_\_ Patriarco \_\_\_ Pike

## 5. Board of Education's Report

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### Recommendations:

*It is the recommendation of the Board of Education that the BOE approve the following items as presented in 5A-5B:*

### Board Member Recognition

- A. Approve the Resolution to Recognize the Service of Board Member, Mary Wisnyai, for her years of dedication, guidance, and leadership to the Buckeye Local School District and the community, as presented in **Exhibit G**.
- B. Approve the Resolution to Recognize the Service of Board Member, David Tredente, for his years of dedication, guidance, and leadership to the Buckeye Local School District and the community, as presented in **Exhibit H**.

## 6. Visitor Participation Relative to New Items (non-agenda items)

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*Please complete a public participation form and submit it to the board president prior to the start of the meeting. Please limit your comments to three minutes or less.*

## 7. Other Business – FYI

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## 8. Adjournment

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\_\_\_ Wisnyai \_\_\_ Tredente \_\_\_ Kocjancic \_\_\_ Patriarco \_\_\_ Pike