

BUCKEYE LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 21, 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. Kassandra Brand
Treasurer

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1. Opening Items

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) Flash the Therapy Dog
- 2) Open House for Mrs. Wisnyai and Mr. Tredente on 12/19/23 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.
- 3) Buckeye's October Students of the Month

Thank you to our sponsors:

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

Congratulations to the following students:

- Cameron Brockway, 12th grade, Edgewood High School
- Mason Coy, 7th grade, Braden Middle School
- Bexslynn Vest, 4th grade, Kingsville Elementary School
- Avante Lewis, 4th 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

Information

Five-Year Forecast

Mrs. Brand, Treasurer, will present the Five-Year Forecast.

Student Wellness and Success Funds Plan

Mrs. Brand, Treasurer, will present the Student Wellness and Success Funds Plan.

Reports & Recommendations:

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

- A. Approve the October 17, 2023 BOE Regular Meeting minutes and the November 15, 2023 Special Meeting minutes, as presented to the board on November 18, 2023.
- B. Approve bills paid in October and the financial reports as presented to the board on November 18, 2023.
- C. Student Activity Appropriation Adjustments
Approve the Student Activity appropriation adjustments in the amount of \$30,550.00
- D. SchoolMessenger Renewal
Approve the agreement between PowerSchool Group LLC and Buckeye Local Schools for the SchoolMessenger Communicate solution for a period of 36 months at an annual rate of \$3,644.87, as presented in **Exhibit A**.
- E. Western Governors University Agreement
Approve the Clinical Experience Agreement between Western Governors University and Buckeye Local Schools for a period of three years, as presented in **Exhibit B**.
- F. BEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - Evaluations
Approve the BEA MOU regarding teacher evaluations, as presented in **Exhibit C**.
- G. UAW Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – Bus Driver Calamity Days and Non-Report Days
Approve the UAW MOU regarding bus driver calamity and non-report days, as presented in **Exhibit D**.
- H. FY24 Amended Appropriations
Approve the following FY24 amended appropriation:
 - Eastgate ARC Grant Fund 499-9024: \$200,000.00

I. Public School Works

Approve the agreement between Public School Works and Buckeye Local Schools for a compliance and risk management program for a period of three years at an annual fee of \$5,497.00, as presented in **Exhibit E**.

J. Pitney Bowes Inc.

Approve the rental agreement with Pitney Bowes Inc. for metering mail for a period of 60 months at a monthly cost of \$70.75, as presented in **Exhibit F**.

K. Equipment Disposal Requests

Approve the list of equipment to be disposed of, as presented in **Exhibit G**.

____ **Wisnyai** ____ **Tredente** ____ **Kocjancic** ____ **Patriarco** ____ **Pike**

L. Bond Issue Resolution to Proceed (Resolution No. 2)

Approve the resolution determining to proceed with submitting to the electors of the school district the single question of the issuance of school improvement bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$46,626,000 and the levy of an additional 0.50-mill tax to provide funds for the acquisition, construction, enlargement, renovation, and financing of general permanent improvements, pursuant to Section 5705.218 of the Revised Code, as presented in **Exhibit H**.

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3. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent's Reports & Recommendations

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the BOE approve the following items as presented in 3A – 3H:

A. Graduation Alliance, Inc. Agreements

Approve the agreements between Graduation Alliance, Inc. and Buckeye Local Schools for the Ohio Attendance Recovery Program, as presented in **Exhibit I**, and the Ohio 22+ Adult High School Diploma Program, as presented in **Exhibit J**.

B. House Bill 33 Resolution

Approve the resolution to make provisional changes to Board Policies and Administrative Guidelines and Forms to comply with HB 33, as presented in **Exhibit K**.

C. Kingsville Public Library (KPL) Trustee Appointment

To approve Renee Howell's appointment to the KPL Board of Trustees, as presented in **Exhibit L**.

D. Nutritional Standards Policy

School districts must adopt and enforce a nutritional standards policy that considers the requirements of Ohio Revised Code 3313.814 and governs the types of foods and beverages that may be sold on the premises of its schools. Report, as filed to the Ohio Department of Education, as shown in **Exhibit M**.

E. Board Policies and Guidelines - First Reading

Review 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 | |

F. Board Policies and Guidelines – Second Reading

Approve the following board policies and guidelines as presented to the board on October 9, 2023:

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| • po5330.04 | • po5409 | • po5410 |
| • po5464 | • ag5421A | |

G. Accept Gifts

- 1) Accept a donation from the Shelby Family Foundation of Ashtabula, Ohio (an American Endowment Foundation Donor Advised Fund) to the Buckeye Local Schools Food Service Department for \$2,000 in support of the district Breakfast/Lunch Program.
- 2) Accept a donation from The Kendall Foundation in the amount of \$50 to the Edgewood High School Student Council for receiving 3rd place for their decorations and costumes at the Trunk or Treat event held on October 21, 2023.
- 3) Accept a donation from the Hair Company of Geneva to Kingsville Elementary Student Council of a Hair Care Basket valued at \$25.

H. Baseball Team Spring Break Field Trip

Approve the field trip over Spring Break for the Edgewood High School Baseball Team to Vero Beach, Florida, March 25 through March 30, 2024.

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4. Personnel

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

Administrative Staff:

A. Administrative – Longevity

Jenny Riedel, Assistant Principal at Edgewood High School, 2% longevity, \$1,514.57, effective August 1, 2023.

Certified Staff:

B. Certified – Tutors

- 1) Kevin Rettinger, Home Instruction Tutor, for no more than 5 hours per week, hourly tutor rate of \$25.51 per hour, effective October 25, 2023.
- 2) Jill Shaw, Home Instruction Tutor, for no more than 5 hours per week, hourly tutor rate of \$25.51 per hour, effective October 30, 2023.
- 3) Katie Carter, Home Instruction Tutor, for no more than 5 hours per week, hourly tutor rate of \$25.51 per hour, effective October 30, 2023.
- 4) Sharon Nelson, Home Instruction Tutor, for no more than 5 hours per week, hourly tutor rate of \$25.51 per hour, effective November 6, 2023.

C. Certified – Long Term Substitute

Raeann Eldred, Long-Term Substitute, Kingsville Elementary, effective on the 61st day of current assignment, effective November 8, 2023, at \$196.96 per day.

D. Certified – Resignation

Bethany Juncker, Academic Tutor at Kingsville Elementary, effective November 15, 2023.

E. Certified – Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

Abigail Benjamin, teacher at Ridgeview Elementary, effective March 22, 2024, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.

F. Certified – Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignments:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Yrs Exp</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Steve Hill	Head Girls Track	2/19/24	7+	\$5,829.92
Renee Mattson	Head Boys Tennis	3/04/24	7+	\$5,829.92
Renee Mattson	Tech Director (Art)	11/10/23	0	\$728.74
	Spring Play			
Jim Sanchez	Head Boys Track	2/19/24	7+	\$5,829.92
Gregory Stoller	7/8 Asst. Wrestling	11/17/23	7+	\$4,372.44

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>
Sidney Melaragno	7/8 Girls Basketball	2023-24	10/27/23	0	\$3,643.70
Derek Stern	Head Baseball	2023-24	2/19/24	5	\$5,465.55
Randy Vencill	Head Softball	2023-24	2/19/24	2	\$5,101.18

Classified Staff:

H. Classified – Appointments

- 1) Jennifer Carpenter, Cafeteria Service Personnel, Edgewood High School, 4 hours per day, Step 1 of 6, \$15.59 per hour, effective October 23, 2023.
- 2) Joseph Hackathorn, Bus Driver #19, 7 hours per day, Step 1 of 6, \$18.34 per hour, effective November 2, 2023.
- 3) Jay Ferguson, Bus Driver #23, 6.50 hours per day, Step 1 of 6, \$18.34 per hour, effective November 2, 2023.

I. Classified – Change in Assignment

Dustin Mills, 1st Shift Custodian at Kingsville Elementary to Head Custodian at Edgewood High School, 8 hours per day, Step 1 of 6, \$19.14 per hour, effective November 6, 2023.

J. Classified – Resignation

Ryan Elrod, Assistant Wrestling Coach (7/8), effective November 8, 2023.

K. Classified – Retirement

- 1) Rajena Woodworth, Custodian at Edgewood High School, effective March 1, 2024. Ms. Woodworth has been employed with Buckeye Local Schools for 31 years.
- 2) Roberta Sipan, Bus Driver for the district, effective October 31, 2023. Ms. Sipan has been employed with Buckeye Local Schools for 2 years.

L. Classified – Substitutes

- 1) Nora Maurer – Van Driver, effective October 23, 2023
- 2) Maranda Scott – Crossing Guard, effective October 26, 2023
- 3) Joanne Rogers – Cafeteria
- 4) Korbin Cliff – Student Worker

M. Volunteers:

- 1) Jim Dufour – Boys Basketball 7/8
- 2) Rick Nemet – Girls Basketball 7/8

N. Permanent Substitute Teachers

The following individual will be employed up to 4 days per week at \$140 per day as a district-wide substitute teacher for the 2023-2024 school year:

Donna Urban – Braden Middle School, effective October 30, 2023.

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

In accordance with the passage of Senate Bill 1 of the 134th 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) Russell Bleck
- 2) Grace Martone

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.

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

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.

6. Other Business – FYI

7. Adjournment

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