

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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Minutes of Buckeye Local Board of Education – Regular Meeting
Held June 27, 2023 – 6:30 P.M. – Board Room - Braden Middle School

REGULAR MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Wisnyai, President
Gregory Kocjancic
Stephanie Patriarco
Shannon Pike

MEMBER ABSENT

David Tredente, Vice President

Also present were Superintendent Patrick Colucci and Treasurer Kassandra Brand

CITIZENS PRESENT

Emma Lamont, Tim Pike, Amanda Steel, John Steel, Pattie Burnham, Rachel Howell, Erie Mitchell

MEDITATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATION/SPECIAL REPORTS

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you card from Dennis Mitchell and family was read.

TREASURER'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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

Approval of Minutes

Approve the May 23, 2023, Regular BOE Meeting minutes and June 8, 2023, Special Board Meeting minutes as presented to the board on June 22, 2023.

Financial Reports

Approve bills paid in May and the financial reports as presented to the board on June 22, 2023.

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TREASURER’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)

Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority, Inc. (SORSA)

Approve the participation agreement with Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA) for the district’s property and liability insurance for fiscal year 2024, effective July 1, 2023, as presented in **Exhibit A**.

Then and Now Certificates

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer the following be approved:

WHEREAS, Section 5704.41 requires the fiscal officer of a school district to certify the amount required to make an expenditure has been lawfully appropriated and is in the school district’s treasury, free from any previous encumbrances before the expenditure is made.

WHEREAS, there are exceptions to the requirement, and

WHEREAS, the exceptions are: an invoice that exceeds a purchase order by \$3,000, “then and now” certificates, and blanket certificates in the amount of \$50,000 or more;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BUCKEYE BOARD OF EDUCATION:

To approve the following Then and Now Certificates:

1. PO Number: 231151, Vendor: State Industrial Products, Description: Braden Middle School Floor Cleaning Supplies, Amount: \$5,491.05.
2. PO Number: 231147, Vendor: Elite Executive Transportation, Description: May Outsourced Athletic Trips, Amount: \$8,887.50.
3. PO Number: 231160, Vendor: Sunset Transportation and Rentals LLC, Description: May Outsourced Athletic Trips, Amount: \$22,290.00.

Edgewood High School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Approve the MOU between the Ashtabula County Sheriff’s Department and Buckeye Local Schools for the 2023-2024 school year, as presented in **Exhibit B**.

Braden Middle School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Approve the MOU between the Ashtabula County Sheriff’s Department and Buckeye Local Schools for the 2023-2024 school year, as presented in **Exhibit C**.

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TREASURER’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)

Textbook and Equipment Disposal Requests

Approve the list of textbooks and equipment to be disposed of, as presented in **Exhibit D (1, 2, 3, and 4)**.

Mass Alert Building Notification System (Sirens)

Accept the proposal from Tattletale Portable Alarm Systems, Inc. for the installation of a mass alert building notification system at Edgewood High School, Braden Middle School, Kingsville Elementary School, and Ridgeview Elementary School, as presented in **Exhibit E**.

Creation of Funds

Authorize the treasurer to create the following funds and to establish necessary receipt and appropriation accounts for such funds:

- 499-9024 Eastgate ARC Grant
- 003-9993 Permanent Improvement HNB Lease Repayment

Advances

Authorize the treasurer to advance funds from the general fund to the following funds. All funds will be repaid to the general fund during fiscal year 2024:

- 004-9000 Building Fund \$290,693.62
- 499-9123 School Bus Purchase Program \$180,000.00
- 507-9122 ESSER II Carryover \$5,991.00
- 507-9123 ARP ESSER III \$617,714.12
- 507-9923 ARP Homeless \$6.23
- 516-9923 ARP IDEA Part B Special Education Grant \$2,107.76
- 584-9023 Title IV \$75.45
- 599-9022 Emergency Connectivity Fund \$86,358.00

FY23 Final Appropriations

Approve the Final Appropriations for fiscal year 2023 as presented in **Exhibit F**.

Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources

Authorize the treasurer to request an Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources from the County Auditor.

Central Office Salary Schedule Amendment

Approve the amended Central Office Salary Schedule, effective July 1, 2023, as presented to the board on June 21, 2023.

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Temporary Appropriations

- Approve fiscal year 2024 temporary appropriations at 25% of fiscal year 2023 total expenditures for the following funds:
 - 001 General Fund
 - 003 Permanent Improvement Fund
 - 006 Lunchroom Fund
 - 467 Student Wellness and Success Fund
- and, to appropriate the unencumbered balances of the following funds:
 - 004 Building Fund
 - 009 Uniform Supply Fund
 - 018 Student Activity Funds
 - 019 Other Grants
 - 200 Student Activity Funds
 - 300 Student Activity Funds
 - 499-9050 Safety Training Grant Fund
 - 499-9123 School Bus Purchase Program
 - 507-9122 ESSER II Carryover Fund
 - 507-9123 ARP ESSER III Fund
 - 507-9923 ARP Homeless Funds
 - 507-9024 ARP Homeless Targeted Support
 - 516-9923 ARP IDEA Special Ed
 - 536-9223 Title I School Improvement
 - 572-9023 Title I
 - 572-9123 Expanding Opportunities
 - 584-9023 Title IV
 - 587-9923 ARP IDEA Special Ed Early Childhood
 - 590-9023 Title II
 - 599-9022 Emergency Connectivity Funds
 - 599-9923 Safety and Security Grant #1
 - 599-9924 Safety and Security Grant #2

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Pike, Mrs. Patriarco, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

43.23 Mrs. Pike moved and seconded by Mr. Kocjancic to approve the following item:

Bond Issue Resolution of Necessity (Resolution No. 1)

Approve the resolution declaring the necessity of submitting the electors of the school district the question of the issuance of school improvement bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of \$46,626,000 pursuant to Section 133.18 of the Revised Code, as presented in **Exhibit G**.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Pike, Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Patriarco, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

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TREASURER’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)

44.23 Mrs. Pike moved and seconded by Mr. Kocjancic to approve the following item:

Consents and Special Needs Resolution

Approve the resolution determining that the school district is a Special Needs District and authorizing the preparation and filing of materials in connection with applications for (i) designation of the school district as a special needs district pursuant to Section 133.06(e) of the Revised Code and (ii) consents pursuant to Section 133.06(c) of the Revised Code, as presented in **Exhibit H**.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Pike, Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Patriarco, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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

Student Activity Fees (additional) for the 2023-2024 School Year

Approve the following class fees for the addition of the ***Family Consumer Science*** Courses, new this school year at Edgewood High School:

- Principles of Food - \$25.00
- Global Foods - \$25.00
- Principles of Nutrition and Wellness - \$15.00
- Introduction to Family Consumer Sciences - \$5.00
- Interior Design, Furnishings, and Management - \$8.00
- Textile Design, Construction, and Maintenance - \$8.00

Accept Gifts

1. Accept a donation from KMB Photography, Inc. to the BLSD Athletic Department of \$163.78 from sports pictures.
2. Accept donations of \$883.80 for plants and mulch to the National Honor Society’s Service Project: JT & Shirley Kanicki, Sherry & Gary Detrick, Simak Trucking & Excavating, Inc., Kathy Phillips, Jim Dufour, Hunter Cusano, and Ken Noble.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Patriarco, Mrs. Pike, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

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PERSONNEL

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

46.23 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Pike to approve the following items:

Administrative Staff:

Administrative - Extended Time

Approve extended time for Lisa Loomis, Food Service Supervisor, effective June 21 through July 31, 2023, at \$28.65 per hour, for the Summer Foods Program.

Certified Staff:

Certified - Appointments - Pay Rate to Be Determined

1. Rachel Howell, Intervention Specialist Teacher, Braden Middle School
2. Emma Lamont, Family & Consumer Science Teacher, Edgewood High School
3. Richard Piaser, Study Skills Teacher, Kingsville Elementary & Ridgeview Elementary
4. Shannon Riley, Guidance Counselor, Braden Middle School
5. Maria Gentry, 4th Grade Teacher, Ridgeview Elementary
6. Sonni Summers Dye, 1st Grade Teacher, Kingsville Elementary

Certified - Changes in Assignment

1. Lindsey McGraw, from 5th Grade Teacher to 2nd Grade Teacher at Ridgeview Elementary.
2. Nicole Kray, from TOSA to Guidance Counselor at Edgewood High School.
3. Shannon DeCamillo, from 3rd Grade Teacher to 2nd Grade Teacher at Ridgeview Elementary.
4. Terri Santee, from 1st Grade Teacher to Literacy Specialist at Kingsville Elementary.
5. Kristi Feather, from 1st Grade Teacher to Literacy Specialist at Ridgeview Elementary.
6. Crystal Stoneman, from Intervention Specialist at Braden Middle School to 5th Grade Teacher at Ridgeview Elementary.
7. Abigail Benjamin, from 2nd Grade Teacher at Ridgeview Elementary to 1st Grade Teacher at Ridgeview Elementary.
8. Sarah Wittreich, from Guidance Counselor at Edgewood High School to Guidance Counselor at Ridgeview Elementary.
9. Annette Pfeifer, from Guidance Counselor at Kingsville and Ridgeview to Guidance Counselor at Kingsville Elementary School only.

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PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

Certified - Appointments for Extended Time for 2023-2024 School Year

Co-Curricular Contract Extensions:

1. Connie Sommers, Band Director, \$336.80 (Up to 20 days)
2. George Kirby, Chorus Director, Edgewood High School, \$418.54 (Up to 10 days)
3. George Kirby, Chorus Director, Braden Middle School, \$418.54 (Up to 5 days)
4. Mario Butera, Elementary Music Teacher, \$291.50 (Up to 6 days per building)
5. Sarah Izzi, Guidance - Edgewood High School, \$7,214.58, 18 days
6. Nicole Kray, Guidance - Edgewood High School, \$7,356.42, 18 days
7. Sarah Wittreich, Guidance - Ridgeview Elementary, \$5,044.13, 13 days
8. Shannon Riley, Guidance - Braden Middle School, \$5,317.80, 15 days
9. Annette Pfeifer, Guidance - Kingsville Elementary, 13 days, \$5,441.02
10. Christina Fischer, Library/Media - Edgewood High School, \$805.56, 2 days
11. Julie Crossley, Nurse - Braden Middle School, \$1,520.48, 4 days
12. Jennifer Swiger, Nurse - Kingsville Elementary, \$1,362.96, 4 days
13. Angela Ponteri, Associate Band Director, \$238.32 (Up to 20 days)

Certified - Extended School Year Tutor

Employ Jessica Veon as a tutor from July 27 through August 12, 2023, for a total of 15 hours at a rate of \$25.51 per hour.

Certified - Tutors for the 2023-2024 School Year

1. Pamela Poff, Academic tutor, Edgewood High School, 4 hours per day plus 1 additional hour as needed, \$25.51 per hour.
2. Tonya Belnap-Tiscenko, Title I tutor, Ridgeview Elementary, 7.50 hours per day, \$25.51 per hour.
3. Jennifer Myers, Title I tutor, Ridgeview Elementary, 4 days per week, 7.50 hours per day, \$25.51 per hour.

Certified - Salary Adjustment

Thomas Riedel, from step 16 to step 17, \$72,692.

Certified – Resignations

1. Amber Burns, 2nd Grade Teacher, Kingsville Elementary, effective at the end of the school year.
2. Kelly Vito, Climate & Culture Coordinator, effective June 30, 2023.
3. Shannon DeCamillo, After School Tutor, effective June 2, 2023.
4. Jeff Hobbs, Boys Head Golf Coach, effective June 6, 2023.

Certified - Retirement

Susan Phillips, Art Teacher at Edgewood High School, effective June 30, 2023. She has served the district for 11 years.

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PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

Certified - Family Medical Leave (FMLA)

Kaytee Shimek, Teacher at Braden Middle School, effective August 23, 2023, for up to 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.

Certified – Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignments:

Name	Position	Year	Start Date	Yrs Exp	Salary
Jessica Pocci	Head Cheer Coach (fall)	2023-24	8/1/23	7+	\$4,372.44

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, the board has deemed the following certified/licensed non-employee(s) 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):

Name	Position	Year	Start Date	Yrs Exp	Salary
Olajuwon Cooper	Weight Room Coord.	2023-24	7/1/23	7+	\$4,372.44
Tim Tallbacka	Asst. Basketball	2023-24	11/3/23	7+	\$4,372.44
Joe Measel	Asst. Basketball	2023-24	11/3/23	0	\$3,643.70

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PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO APPOINT NON-CERTIFIED/ NON-LICENSED INDIVIDUALS TO SUPPLEMENTAL TEACHING 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):

Name	Position	Year	Start Date	Yrs Exp	Salary
Jordan Vencill	Asst. Girls Basketball	2023-24	10/27/23	2	\$3,643.70
RJ Baldwin	Asst. Boys Basketball	2023-24	11/3/23	3	\$3,643.70
Jim Lamson	Heads Boys Golf	2023-24	7/31/23	0	\$3,643.70
Jay Bowler	Asst. Boys Basketball	2023-24	11/3/23	7+	\$4,372.44

Classified Staff:

Classified – Resignation

1. Jill Applebee, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent/EMIS Coordinator, effective June 30, 2023.
2. Mike Rose, School Resource Officer, effective June 9, 2023.
3. Lauren Johnson, District Bus Mechanic, effective July 3, 2023.

Classified - Appointments

1. Amanda Steel, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent/EMIS Coordinator, 7 years' experience, step 7 of 30, \$23.66 per hour, effective July 3, 2023.
2. Zachary Hines - Student Technology Worker.

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Classified - 2023 Summer Food Service Program

Stacy Cox - Manager, \$20.00/hour

Food Service Workers - \$15.00/hour

Debbie Turner

Shaunna Blizzard

Darla Helfer

Tawnya Kiser

Stacey Libbey

Beverly Pierce

Jean Conrad

Nicole Paul

Jennifer Carpenter

Christine Batanian

Classified - Substitutes 2022-2023 School Year

Joseph Cornely - Maintenance, Summer Maintenance

LeAndra Fogus - Custodian

Jaqueline Wolford - Administrative Assistant

Classified - Substitutes for 2023-2024 School Year

Administrative Assistant

Resa Bilbie

Angela Fitch

LeAndra Fogus

Rebecca Forbes

Lisa Freeborn

Julie Huntley

Marguerite Kister

Diane Rundo (food service only)

Brad Vincenzo

Jaqueline Wolford

SMEA/Library Aide/Crossing Guard

Resa Bilbie (with permit only)

Tashina Drake

Angela Fitch (bus aide, library aide)

LeAndra Fogus (bus aide)

Rebecca Forbes

Julie Huntley

Marguerite Kister

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PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

Nora Maurer
Rita Nicka (bus aide)
Constance Smith
Brad Vincenzo (with permit only)
Jaqueline Wolford (SMEA, library aide)

Cafeteria - Food Service

Resa Bilbie
Mary Ann Dunn
Angela Fitch
LeAndra Fogus
Rebecca Forbes
Lisa Freeborn
Priscilla Green
Julie Huntley
Beth Kiser (elementary only)
Nora Maurer
Beverly Mitchell
Nicole Paul
Patricia Siekkinen
Constance Smith

Bus Driver

Resa Bilbie
Leslie Desin
Jodi Freeborn
Constance Smith (van)
Brad Vincenzo

Courier

Resa Bilbie
Tracey McNeil
Rita Nicka
Rebecca Pinkerton
Patricia Siekkinen

Custodian

Resa Bilbie
Kim Braden
Joseph Cornely
Christopher Crowley
Leslie Desin
LeAndra Fogus

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PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

Priscilla Green
Rita Nicka
Dakota Overby
Michael Petrochello
Patricia Siekkinen

Summer Maintenance

Jody Anthony
Resa Bilbie
Kim Braden
Joseph Cornely
Tracey McNeil
Rita Nicka
Rebecca Pinkerton
Constance Smith

Maintenance

Joseph Cornely

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:

Christy Vencill, Temporary Classified Academic Tutor, Edgewood High School, 7.5 hours per day, \$25.51 per hour.

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: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Pike, Mrs. Patriarco, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

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PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

- 47.23 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Patriarco to approve the following item:**

Certified - Technology

Due to the vacancy in Technology as of May 31, 2023, Timothy Pike will assume this role from June 1 through July 31, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$45.00 per hour not to exceed 75 hours during this time.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Patriarco, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Abstained: Mrs. Pike
Motion carried

VISITOR PARTICIPATION RELATIVE TO NEW ITEMS

None.

OTHER BUSINESS – FYI

None.

48.23 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Patriarco to adjourn this regular meeting at 6:43 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Patriarco, Mrs. Pike, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

Attest: _____

MARY WISNYAI
PRESIDENT

KASSANDRA BRAND
TREASURER