

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Buckeye Local Board of Education – Regular Meeting
Held April 18, 2023 – 6:30 P.M. – Board Room - Braden Middle School

REGULAR MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBER ABSENT

Stephanie Patriarco

Also present were Superintendent Patrick Colucci and Treasurer Kassandra Brand

CITIZENS PRESENT

Melissa Bort, Harley Koch, Raeann Eldred, Michelle Sardella, Kristi Feather, Tracy DeLuca, Mya Palinkas, Lisa Palinkas, Alex Karst, Heidi Robinson, Timothy Neal, Morgan Haywood, Payton Lamson, Jim Lamson, Kristin Lamson, Kelley Loudon, Holly White, Christi Evans, Chad Miller, Kady Infield, Tyler Infield, Michael Notar, Bob Ettinger, Tia Woodard, Dani Weiser-Cline, Madelyn Ryel, Krista Ryel, Danyel Ryan, Neil Bennett, Ashley Brent, McKenzie Wallace, John Wallace

MEDITATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATION/SPECIAL REPORTS

1. Ohio Teacher of the Year Nomination - presented by Mr. Patrick Colucci
2. Kingsville Public Library Quarterly Update - presented by Dani Weiser-Cline
3. Father-Daughter Dance Update - presented by Mr. Michael Notar
4. Buckeye March Students of the Month - presented by Tia Woodard

Thank you to our sponsors:

Ashtabula County YMCA
Glotzbecker's Service Center
Greg Sweet Automotive Group
Kids Only Learning Center
Melaragno HVAC

Ringer Screen Print, Inc.
Steak-n-Shake (Ashtabula)
Thomas Fence Company
Tony's Deli & Catering
Play All Awards & Engraving

Congratulations to the following students:

Morgan Haywood, 10th grade, Edgewood High School
Payton Lamson, 6th grade, Braden Middle School
Mya Palinkas, 5th grade, Kingsville Elementary School
Madelyn (Maddy) Ryel, Kindergarten, Ridgeview Elementary School

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS

Harley Koch discussed the scheduling conflict for A-Tech students to participate in band.

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CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you from Hospice of Western Reserve/Jaime Moore family was read.

TREASURER’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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

Approval of Minutes

Approve the March 14, 2023, Regular BOE Meeting minutes as presented to the board on April 13, 2023.

Financial Reports

Approve bills paid in March and the financial reports as presented to the board on April 13, 2023.

Student Activity Appropriation Adjustments

Approve the Student Activity appropriation adjustments in the amount of \$7,588.48.

MNJ Technologies, DaTech Direct, and Greatwave Communications E-Rate Agreements

- **Greatwave Communications** - Lit Fiber/E-Rate Category 1 service up to \$38,400.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2028, as presented in **Exhibit A**.
- **Greatwave Communications** - Managed Internal Broadband Services and Installation Category 2 items and services up to \$33,860.00 during the July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, E-Rate funding year, as presented in **Exhibit B**.
- **MNJ** - Internal Connections products and services up to \$97,550.00 for the period of April 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024, as presented in **Exhibit C**.
- **DaTech Direct** - Basic Maintenance on existing equipment and anticipating cabling needs up to \$4,240.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, as presented in **Exhibit D**.

Workers Compensation Service Contract

Authorize the Treasurer to enter into a one-year contract with Sheakley UniService, Inc. for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, to provide workers' compensation services.

Vector Security Agreement/Rider

Accept the proposal for Schedule 40 PVC and installation from Vector Security, as presented to the Board on April 12, 2023.

Plug Smart HVAC Project Change Order

Approve the Change Order for the Ridgeview Kindergarten Classrooms, as presented in **Exhibit E**.

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TREASURER’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)

Districtwide Radio System Bid

Approve the Districtwide Radio System bid from Hudson Communications, LLC, in the amount of \$75,975.10.

Classroom Secondary Door Lock Bid

Approve the Classroom Secondary Door Lock bid from TeacherLock in the amount of \$50,399.44.

Frontline Education Integrated Asset Management/Help Desk Support

Accept the proposal from Frontline Education for the Integrated Asset Management/Help Desk Support for the period of July 1, 2023 through July 17, 2026, as presented in **Exhibit F**.

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

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Information

Board Policies - First Reading

Review the following board policies as presented to the board on March 31, 2023:

0131.1	1615	2114
2271	2412	3120.09
3215	4120.09	4215
5310	5460	5512
5610	6325	7434
7540	7540.01	7540.02
7540.03	7540.04	8120
8300	8305	8315
8390	8400	8420
8462	9160	9700.01

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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

2023-2024 District Calendar - Correction

Changed the date for the Juneteenth Holiday from Monday, June 17th to Wednesday, June 19th.

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Administrative Contract Renewal

Re-employ the following individual in accordance with Section 3319.02 of the Ohio Revised Code and issue a contract for a three-year period from August 1, 2023 to July 31, 2026:

Rocco Adduci, Curriculum Director, \$99,204.59.

Administrative Contract - Food Service Supervisor

Approve the addendum to the Administrative Contract of Supervisor of Food Service, Lisa Loomis, as previously reviewed by the Board and on file in the Treasurer’s Office.

Student Accident Insurance

Approve the Student Accident Insurance Plan for the 2023-24 school year as presented in **Exhibit G**.

Accept Gift

Accept a donation from an anonymous donor for twelve (12) \$50.00 gift cards to Shoe Dept. at a cost of \$600.00 for students in need of shoes in grades K-5.

Administrative Contract - Technology Coordinator/Transportation Supervisor/Business Affairs

Approve the addendum to the Administrative Contract of Technology Coordinator/Transportation Supervisor/Business Affairs Administrator, Neil Bennett, as previously reviewed by the Board and on file in the Treasurer’s Office.

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

PERSONNEL

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

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

Certified Staff:

Certified – Appointment

McKenzie Wallace, English Language Arts teacher at Edgewood, M+10, step 9, \$60,850, effective August 21, 2023.

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PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

Certified – Tutors (Hourly)

1. Shannon DeCamillo, After School Tutor, Ridgeview Elementary, effective March 13, 2023.
2. Christine Holden, After School Tutor, Ridgeview Elementary, effective March 13, 2023.
3. Michael Greenlief, Home Instruction Tutor, 5 hours per week, effective March 17, 2023.

Certified – Resignations

1. Cheryl Wickstrom, Freshman Class Co-Advisor, Sophomore Class Co-Advisor, and Journalism/Newspaper Advisor, effective June 30, 2023.
2. Kathryn Zetts, French Club Advisor, effective June 30, 2023.

Certified - Retirement

Kathryn Zetts, French teacher at Edgewood High School, effective June 30, 2023. Mrs. Zetts has been employed with the Buckeye district for 8 years.

Certified - Date Correction

Change the effective date for Salary Adjustments from January 3, 2023 to January 17, 2023.

Certified - Technology Substitute

Whereas, the Board of Education hereby employs Gregory Stolfer, Jr. as a Technology Substitute for the 2022-2023 school year at a rate of \$20 per hour for a total of 150 hours, not to exceed \$3,000.

Certified - Non-Renew Permanent Substitute Teachers, effective June 30, 2023

Tracy Farr	Charles Lowenkamp
Lisa Freeborn	Michelle McCain
Julie Huntley	Patti Stauffeneger

Certified - Non-Renew Tutor Contracts, effective June 30, 2023

Raeann Eldred	Robert Lundin	Pamela Poff
Belen Hanes	Jennifer Myers	Tawnya Smith
Rachel Howell	Julie Oberg	Tonya Belnap-Tiscenko
Bethany Juncker	Richard Piaser	Kimberly Weeks

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Certified – Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignments:

Table with 6 columns: Name, Position, Year, Start Date, Yrs Exp, Salary. Rows include Justin Drapp and Nicole Dufour.

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):

Table with 6 columns: Name, Position, Year, Start Date, Yrs. Exp., Salary. Row includes Stephanie Kubec.

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

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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
Gretchen Hill	Asst. XC (7-8)	2023-24	8/1/23	1	\$2,914.96
Caleb Merendino	Asst. B Soccer (JV)	2023-24	8/1/23	2	\$3,643.70
Michael Socko	Asst. B Soccer (7-8)	2023-24	8/1/23	5	\$4,008.07
Alexandra DeGeorge	Asst. G Soccer (JV)	2023-24	8/1/23	1	\$3,643.70
Rob Schmude	Asst. G Soccer (7-8)	2023-24	8/1/23	6	\$4,008.07
Demetrius Baker	Asst. Football (V)	2023-24	8/1/23	4	\$4,008.07
Ted Barger	Asst. Football (V)	2023-24	8/1/23	7+	\$4,372.44
Terrance Henton	Asst. Football (V)	2023-24	8/1/23	7+	\$4,372.44
Tyler Welton	Asst. Football (V)	2023-24	8/1/23	7+	\$4,372.44
RJ Baldwin	Asst. Football (JV)	2023-24	8/1/23	2	\$3,643.70
Jim Dufour	Asst. Football (7-8)	2023-24	8/1/23	2	\$3,643.70
Reilly DeGeorge	Asst. Volleyball (JV)	2023-24	8/1/23	0	\$3,643.70
Shawna Whittaker	Asst. Cheer (JV)	2023-24	8/1/23	7	\$3,643.70

2023-2024 Supplemental (Athletic) Volunteers beginning August 1, 2023:

Name	Sport
Steve Ernst	Football
Chuck Fultz	Football
Josh Goodenow	Football
Mike Greenlief	Football
Matt Lilja	Football
Tim Neal	Football
Laura Strubbe	Girls Soccer
Jordan Vencill	Volleyball
Tony Zuccaro	Boys Soccer

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Classified Staff:

Classified – Change in Assignment

1. John Maurer, from Bus Driver to 2nd shift Custodian at Edgewood High School, step 6 of 6, \$19.05 per hour, effective April 24, 2023.
2. Christine Batanian, from SMEA to Cafeteria Cook at Braden Middle School, 4.75 hours per day, step 1 of 6, \$15.43 per hour, effective April 3, 2023.
3. Christine Batanian, from Cafeteria Cook to SMEA at Braden Middle School, 2 hours per day, step 2 of 5, \$15.08 per hour, effective April 17, 2023.

Classified - Resignation

1. Susan Holloman, Custodian at Ridgeview Elementary, effective April 7, 2023.
2. Tina Acierno, District Bus Driver, effective April 17, 2023.
3. Tonya Sperduto, SMEA, Braden Middle School, effective April 13, 2023.

Classified - Family Medical Leave (FMLA)

Rebecca Gaines, Custodian at Ridgeview Elementary, effective February 8, 2023, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.

Classified – Substitutes

1. Renee Mattson - Library Aide
2. Nora Maurer - Cafeteria
3. April Urch - Summer Maintenance

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. Pike, Mr. Kocjancic, Mr. Tredente, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

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

Certified - Non-Renew Tutor Contract, effective June 30, 2023

Jacqueline Allenbaugh

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

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VISITOR PARTICIPATION RELATIVE TO NEW ITEMS

None.

OTHER BUSINESS – FYI

Mrs. Heidi Robinson from Ridgeview Elementary discussed the book that her class published.

30.23 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mr. Tredente to enter into executive session at 7:19 P.M.

For consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, or official.

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

Executive session ended at 7:25 P.M.
Open session reconvened.

31.23 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Pike to adjourn this regular meeting at 7:26 P.M.

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

Attest: _____

MARY WISNYAI
PRESIDENT

KASSANDRA BRAND
TREASURER