

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Buckeye Local Board of Education - Regular Meeting  
Held February 20, 2024 - 6:30 P.M. - Board Room - Braden Middle School

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## REGULAR MEETING

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Shannon Pike, President  
Stephanie Patriarco, Vice President  
Gregory Kocjancic  
Roman Vencill

### MEMBERS ABSENT

Chad Miller

Also present were Superintendent Patrick Colucci and Treasurer Kassandra Brand

### CITIZENS PRESENT

Alex Karst, Jenny Riedel, Timothy Neal, Nikolas Rubesich, Kristi Feather, Beth Popely, Annabelle Whittington, Brittany Whittington, Brooke-Lynn Searles, Josh Searles, Tabitha Searles, Danyel Ryan, Mireya Miller, Denise Miller, Jen Sulecki, Lee Fritts, Alice Fritts, Tim Lawrence, Val Lawrence, Dustin Hamilton, Mikayla Arcaro, Pattie Burnham, Kristie Vencill, Paisley Hamilton, Brittney Hamilton, Tricia Kato

### MEDITATION

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 17.24 OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBER

Treasurer Kassandra Brand administered the oath of office to newly elected board member Roman Vencill.

### COMMUNICATION/SPECIAL REPORTS

#### 1. Buckeye's January Students of the Month

##### Thank you to our sponsors:

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:

Brooke-Lynn Searles, 10<sup>th</sup> grade, Edgewood High School  
Mireya Miller, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Braden Middle School  
Annabelle Whittington, 1<sup>st</sup> grade, Kingsville Elementary School  
Paisley Hamilton, 1<sup>st</sup> grade, Ridgeview Elementary School

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## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS

None.

## PUBLIC HEARING

2024-2025 School Calendar Presentation, as presented in **Exhibit A**.

## CORRESPONDENCE

None.

## TREASURER'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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

### Approval of Minutes

Approve the January BOE Organizational and Regular meeting minutes as presented to the board on February 13, 2024.

### Financial Reports

Approve bills paid in January and the financial reports as presented to the board on February 13, 2024.

### Pitney Bowes Inc.

Approve the rental agreement with Pitney Bowes Inc. for metering mail at Edgewood High School for a period of 60 months at a monthly cost of \$60.71, as presented in **Exhibit B**.

### Fair School Funding Plan Resolution

Approve the resolution declaring support for the Fair School Funding Plan and authorizing the payment of the requested amount to become a member of Fair School Funding Plan, Inc. for calendar year 2024, as presented in **Exhibit C**.

### Amended Appropriations

Approve the Amended Appropriations for FY24, as presented in **Exhibit D**.

### Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources

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

### BWC Safety and Security Grant FY24

Authorize the Treasurer to create fund 499-9124 and to establish necessary receipt and appropriation accounts for such fund.

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**TREASURER’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)**

College Credit Plus (CCP) Agreements

1. **Kent State University (KSU)** - Approve the College Credit Plus Memorandum of Understanding between Kent State University and Buckeye Local Schools to offer college level courses to Buckeye Local School District students for the 2024-2025 school year, as presented in **Exhibit E**.
2. **Lakeland Community College (LCC)** - Approve the College Credit Plus Partnership Agreement between Lakeland Community College and Buckeye Local Schools to offer college level courses to Buckeye Local School District students for the 2024-2025 school year, as presented in **Exhibit F**.
3. **Stark State College** - Approve the College Credit Plus Partnership Agreement between Stark State College and Buckeye Local Schools to offer college level courses to Buckeye Local School District students for the 2024-2025 school year, as presented in **Exhibit G**.

Karst Technology LLC

Accept the proposal from Karst Technology LLC for technology support at a rate of \$25.00 per hour for a maximum of 250 hours from February 21, 2024 through May 31, 2024, as presented in **Exhibit H**.

OHSAA Tournament Fund

Authorize the Treasurer to create fund 022-9000 and to establish necessary receipt and appropriation accounts for such fund.

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

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**19.24** 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:**

2023-2024 Calendar Amendment

Approve the amendment to the 2023-2024 School Calendar to move the Student Last Day from June 3, 2024 to May 31, 2024 in order to accommodate state-mandated professional development for teachers, as presented in **Exhibit I**.

A Kids Only Early Learning Center, Inc. Community Partnership Agreement

Approve the community partnership agreement between A Kids Only Early Learning Center, Inc. and Buckeye Local School District, as presented in **Exhibit J**.

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**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)**

OHSAA Agreement - 2024-2025 School Year

Approve the OHSAA Resolution for the 2024-2025 school year, as presented in **Exhibit K**.

Accept Gift

Accept a donation from Coca-Cola Gives to Kingsville Elementary School in the amount of \$27.80.

March Board Meeting Date Change

Approve to change the date of the March Board of Education meeting from Tuesday, March 19, 2024 to Monday, March 18, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. due to Election Day.

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

**PERSONNEL**

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

**20.24 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mr. Vencill to approve the following items:**

**Certified Staff:**

Certified - Resignation

Connie Sommers, Musical Drama Pit Band Director, effective October 1, 2023.

Certified - Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

1. Carley Lane, teacher at Kingsville Elementary, effective November 14, 2023, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.
2. Christina Fischer, teacher at Edgewood High School, effective March 19, 2024, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.

Certified – Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignments:

Name	Position	Start Date	Yrs. Exp.	Salary
Dennis Mitchell	Athletic Manager	8/01/24	7+	\$5,629.50
Steve Hill	Head Coach XC	8/01/24	7+	\$6,004.80
Christina Fischer	Head Girls Golf	8/01/24	5	\$4,128.30
Jessica Pocci	Head Cheerleading-Fall	8/01/24	7+	\$4,503.60
Kaytee Shimek	Head Girls Soccer	8/01/24	2	\$6,004.80
Renee Mattson	Head Girls Tennis	8/01/24	7+	\$6,004.80

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**PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)**

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 individual(s) 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>
Olajuwon Cooper	Head Football	2024-25	8/01/2024	7+	\$6,755.40

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

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**PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)**

**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
Jason Aponte	JV Softball	2023-24	2/19/24	0	\$3,279.33
Gretchen Hill	Asst. 7/8 Boys Track	2023-24	2/19/24	0	\$3,279.33
Jim Lamson	Head Boys Golf	2024-25	8/01/24	1	\$3,753.00
Kyra Vencill	Head Volleyball	2024-25	8/01/24	7+	\$6,755.40
Caleb Merendino	Head Boys Soccer	2024-25	8/01/24	3	\$6,004.80

**Classified Staff:**

Classified - Appointment

Priscilla Green, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Custodian at Ridgeview Elementary, 8 hours per day, Step 1 of 6, \$18.28/hour, effective February 6, 2024.

Classified - Resignation

Brittany Mackey, Assistant JV Softball Coach, effective January 25, 2024.

Classified - Change in Assignment

1. Denise Kirk, SMEA at Ridgeview Elementary, from 2.50 hours per day to 3.50 hours per day, effective January 15, 2024.
2. Richard Hoback, from 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Custodian at Ridgeview Elementary to Maintenance, 8 hours per day, Step 3 of 6, \$19.03/hour, effective February 6, 2024.

Classified - Substitutes

- LeAndra Fogus - Courier
- Tammie Foltz - Cafeteria
- Morgan Pasco - Student Worker
- Candy Shelott - Cafeteria
- Constance Smith - Custodian

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

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**VISITOR PARTICIPATION RELATIVE TO NEW ITEMS**

None.

**OTHER BUSINESS – FYI**

None.

**21.24 ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Patriarco to adjourn this regular meeting at 6:48 P.M.

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

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

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SHANNON PIKE  
PRESIDENT

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KASSANDRA BRAND  
TREASURER