

Board of Education

401 N. Miami Avenue

Cleves, OH 45002

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 12, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. McDonald at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present Five: Mr. McDonald, Mr. Evans, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Hughes, Dr. Stafford Absent, None

Motion 115-23 Approval of and Dispense with Reading of the Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mrs. Miller to approve and dispense with the reading of the following minutes:

November 14, 2023, Monthly Meeting

Roll Call: Ayes, Five: Mr. Evans, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Hughes, Dr. Stafford, Mr. McDonald Nays, None
Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **A.** Academic-Curriculum There was no academic meeting held this month.
- **B.** Buildings and Finance Mr. Evans and Dr. Stafford reported on the Building and Finance Meeting held on December 7. Joe Lind, Manager of the Miami Fort Power Plant attended and provided an update on the impending closure. Although the plant closure still remains scheduled for 5/31/27 or sooner, the plants operating forecast is positive. Jeremy Snell provided an update on the booster fundraising efforts. Teri Riesenberg presented the district five year forecast to the committee including revenue and expenditure projections through FY2028. Mrs. Riesenberg explained that the expense numbers will increase with the pending bargaining unit negotiations taking place this fiscal year. The cash balance remains strong although we are in deficit spending which will continue to erode this balance. The BOE will make the decision when appropriate levy funding, expenditure reductions or a combination of the two.
- C. Community Outreach Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. Miller updated on recent and upcoming events in the district and community. The Christmas walk was a great event with students involved throughout; Breakfast with Santa had an incredible turnout with over 970 attendees. Santa and the Grinch greeted the families and were very sensory friendly. Holiday concerts are ongoing the next couple weeks and are fantastic way to get in the Christmas spirit. Acclaim meeting was held; Donuts with Dudes had a great turn out as well as Craft Fair with \$3,000+ profit. Drama sold \$15,000 in ticket and raffle sales during The Descendant's production which offsets the expenses of the drama department. The bylaws



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were discussed and are in the process of being updated. Fine Arts Day is set for March 2, 2024 from 2-4 p.m. and the Ukulele club will be starting at the elementary level in January. Jacket Cares continues to assist so many families in the community through outreach. Jackets 4 Jackets, assisting with family needs and other holiday outreach. Jacket Cares is always grateful and accepting of donations. Information on donating as well as assistance request information is located on the district website.

Motion 116-23 Approve the Recommendations of the Superintendent (Block Items A-G) It was moved by Mr. McDonald, seconded by Mrs. Miller to approve the following recommendations:

Personnel

Recommend the following personnel items be approved:

- A. Resignation letter for Andrew Verdusco, Bus Driver, effective November 27, 2023.
- B. Andrew Verdusco as a Substitute CDL Transportation Driver for the 2023-2024 school year at the Substitute CDL Transportation Driver rate of pay.
- C. Approval of the following to volunteer for Winter Color Guard for the 2023-2024 season, pending background checks.

Heather Dransman

Bailey Eilers

Operational

Recommend the following operational item(s) be approved:

- D. Approval of the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school calendars
- E. Review and approval of the following Board Policies

POLICY

TITLE

IKE

Promotion and Retention of Students



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IGD Co-curricular and Extracurricular Activities

IGDJ Interscholastic Athletics

IGDK Interscholastic Extracurricular Eligibility

JEG Exclusions and Exemptions from School Attendance

KJA Distribution of Materials in the Schools

IIA Instructional Materials

IL Testing Programs

JEA Compulsory Attendance Ages

JECBC Admission of Students from Non-Chartered or Home Education

JECE Student Withdrawal from School (Loss of Driving Privileges)

JEDA Truancy

KI Public Solicitations in the Schools

JEC School Admission

JHCD Administering Medicines to Students

JN Student Fees, Fines, and Charges

BBFA Board Member Conflict of Interest

IGCF Home Education

DJB Petty Cash Accounts

Instructional

Recommend the following instructional item(s) be approved:

- F. Additional hours and compensation for *Jacquelyn Dove* for additional Instructional Planning from December 1, 2023 through January 31, 2024 at \$30 per hour, not to exceed 20 hours.
- G. Additional hours and compensation for the following for Safe Crisis Management Training during December 21, 2023 at their hourly rate of pay, not to exceed 3 hours each.

Sydney Hogg

Brianna Humphries

Liz Kordenbrock

Riley Runck

Sonya Tye



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Roll Call Ayes, Five: Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Hughes, Dr. Stafford, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Evans Nays, None Motion Carried

Motion 117-23 Approve Recommendations of the Treasurer (Block Items A-C)

- A. Recommend approval of the November Board Financial Report, Investments, Monthly Invoices, and Monthly Bank Reconciliations included in the Board Packet.
- B. Recommend approval of a Resolution to file a modified tax budget for FY 2024-2025.
- C. Recommend approval to establish the Budget Hearing, Organizational Meeting, and Regular Meeting for January 9, 2024.

The Board has set its meeting calendar through December 2023; but not beyond. Ohio law (RC 3313.14) requires city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school boards to meet on a day occurring during the first fifteen days of January of each calendar year.

The Board must schedule the annual Budget Hearing which must be held in time to file the budget with the County Budget Commission in January 2024 and an Organizational Meeting date to set its calendar of meeting dates for the calendar year 2024.

The Board may set any day before January 15 for the Organizational Meeting and any day before January 15 for the Budget Hearing.

Roll Call Ayes, Five: Mrs. Hughes, Dr. Stafford, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Evans, Mrs. Miller Nays, None Motion Carried

Motion 118-23 Approve the recommendation of the Board Vice President

It was moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. McDonald to accept the following donations:

A. Recommend acceptance of the following donation to Three Rivers Local School District: \$500 to the "Have Fun" Scholarship from Don Larrick

Roll Call Ayes, Five: Dr. Stafford, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Evans, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Hughes Nays, None
Motion Carried



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saturday, December 16 – Wreaths Across America event at Maple Grove Cemetery The district is considering an early release day for MS/HS on April 8, 2024 for the 3:08 solar eclipse.

Mr. Evans attended a luncheon with Governor DeWine where maximizing the potential of all the people we have not — especially the younger people. He also talked about the Science of Reading and his intention of the Dept. Education & Workforce (DEW) pushing all districts required to adopt. Mr. Evans was encouraged that our district is already implementing the ideas and plans of the DEW. Mr. McDonald also commented on our successful implementation and how the feedback has been very positive. Mr. McDonald discussed that those districts who were early implementers should also receive some funding for this as well as the newer districts.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - None

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion 119-23 Appointment of President Pro Tempore for January 9, 2024, organizational meeting It was moved by Dr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Evans to appoint Mr. McDonald as the President Pro-Tempore for the January 9, 2024 Organizational Meeting.

Roll Call Ayes, Five: Mr. McDonald, Mr. Evans, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Hughes, Dr. Stafford Nays, None Motion Carried

DISCUSSION

2024 Board Committees and Chairperson Assignments

Current committees and assignments were discussed as well as options for new committees as well as restructuring or adding liaison positions of committees to include communities or more sub groups. Also discussed possibly moving the Academic committee to move time to allow for more community attendance. Ad-hoc committee members for sporadic events were also discussed. Athletics was also discussed for community engagement (TRCAA, Boosters, AD, etc.) and how to more involve. Also discussed having the AD present quarterly on athletic matters, events, etc.

2024 Board of Education meeting dates and times discussion

The following dates conflict with district events.

These are possible changes to regular scheduling when BOE calendar approved in January, 2024

March 12, 2024 moving to March 5, 2024 due to Spring Break.

April 9, 2024 change to 5:00 p.m. due to scholarship awards.

May 13, 2024 change to Wednesday, May 14, 2024 due to Baccalaureate.

January, 2024 work session topics: Initial discussion on Open Enrollment and Strategic Plan data



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Motion 120-23 Enter into Executive Session

It was moved by Dr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Evans to enter into Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. for the purpose of:

G (4) Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions With public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

Roll Call Ayes, Five: Mr. Evans, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Hughes, Dr. Stafford, Mr. McDonald Nays, None Motion Carried

Motion 121-23 Exit Executive Session and return to public session

It was moved by Dr. Stafford, seconded by Mr. Evans to exit Executive Session at 9:15 p.m.

Roll Call Ayes, Five: Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Hughes, Dr. Stafford, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Evans Nays, None Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Ryan McDonald, President

Attest: Teri Riesenberg, Treasurer