

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
CHILLICOTHE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Regular Meeting

November 16, 2020
5:00 p.m.
CMS/CHS Auditorium

Members Present: Mr. Bonner, Mrs. Corzine, Mr. Hartmus, Mr. Mullins, Mrs. Shoemaker

Staff Present: Ms. Swinehart, Mrs. Lawwell

Call to Order

Mr. Mullins called the meeting to order and Mrs. Lawwell called the roll. Mr. Mullins announced the meeting was being recorded.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Mullins.

20-11-03 Approval of Board Agenda

It was moved by Mrs. Corzine and seconded by Mr. Hartmus to adopt the agenda for the November 16, 2020 Board of Education Regular Meeting as amended. Roll call: Mr. Bonner-yes, Mrs. Corzine - yes, Mr. Hartmus - yes, Mr. Mullins - yes, Mrs. Shoemaker - yes. The motion carried.

Public Participation

Mr. Mullins welcomed all visitors to the meeting and opened the floor for public participation. There was none.

Legislative Update

Mr. Mullins said the Legislative Update is related to the following Board Action. The Legislature has been debating a new funding formula for schools in Ohio. He noted we are hearing mixed reports on passage of the bill(s). It is a good looking plan that would benefit us as a school district. Also, we are expecting information to be released this week about changes to the Ed Choice Voucher Program which would also be beneficial to us as a school district.

20-11-04 Resolution to Endorse the Fair School Funding Plan

It was moved by Mr. Mullins and seconded by Mrs. Shoemaker to endorse the following resolution on behalf of the Chillicothe City School District as presented.

A RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE THE FAIR SCHOOL FUNDING PLAN,
AS INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE COMPANION BILL TO SUBSTITUTE
HOUSE BILL 305, AND TO ENCOURAGE THE 133RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY
TO EXPEDITE THE PASSAGE OF THE BILL.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Supreme Court ruled in *DeRolph v. State of Ohio (1997)* that Ohio's method for funding schools through the state's school foundation program was unconstitutional under Article VI, Section 2 of the Ohio Constitution; and

WHEREAS, in *DeRolph*, the Ohio Supreme Court declared that Ohio's school funding system was over-reliant on local property taxes, and as such, was inherently discriminatory to children based on where they reside for disparities exist between communities of affluence and impoverishment; and

WHEREAS, since the *DeRolph* decision, the Ohio General Assembly has failed to create a funding system that meets Ohio's constitutional standard of securing "... a thorough and efficient system of common schools throughout the state"; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's solution to satisfy the Ohio Supreme Court's order has been to pass a series of biennial budgets containing politically expedient remedies that have not eliminated the over-reliance on local property

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tax or mitigated the discriminatory nature inherent in the series of “funding fixes” legislated over the last 23 years; and

WHEREAS, Ohio’s previous biennial budget crafted by the 132nd Ohio General Assembly, and effective July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019, created a funding system with “capped” districts, and districts receiving a minimum level of funding referred to as the “guarantee”; and

WHEREAS, the previous biennial budget indentified 503 school districts out of 610, or 82%, either “capped” in their funding, or on the “guarantee,” which is a testament that Ohio’s funding model is not effective; and

WHEREAS, Ohio’s current biennial budget crafted by the 133rd General Assembly, froze foundatin funding for Ohio schools at 2019 fiscal year levels (effectively placing all districts on the “the guarantee”), which funding levels have subsequently been cut due to the economic impact of the Coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the current school funding system in Ohio lacks a rational basis for determining both the cost of educating students and how the funding of education is shared between the state and local tax payers; and

WHEREAS, Representative Robert Cupp (R) and Representative John Patterson (D) convened a statewide workgroup, made up of eight practicing school district CFO/Treasurers and eight practicing Superintendents (the “Cupp-Patterson Workgroup”), to devise a new formula, and recognizing that Ohio needs an overhaul to its school funding system, have spent the last three years determining the inputs necessary to fund a “thorough and efficient system of common schools” that reduces the over-reliance on local property tax and creates equity in the state foundation system; and

WHEREAS, the Cupp-Patterson Workgroup developed recommendatins that laid out a rational, transparent, comprehensive and – most of all – fair system for funding schools based on the actual cost of providing a basic education for all students in Ohio (the “Base Cost”); and

WHEREAS, the Cupp-Patterson Workgroup developed a method of shari;ng the funding of the Base Cost between the state and local taxpayers that is easy to understand and based on a fair, defensible measure of the capacity to generate funds locally; and

WHEREAS, the Cupp-Patterson Workgroup identified and provided a framework for providing additional resources to meet needs beyond those of basic education, including areas of the social, emotional, safety, and mental health of students, the additional challenges driven by students living in poverty, with special needs, with limited English proficiency, and who are academically gifted; and

WHEREAS, the Cupp-Patterson Workgroup developed recommendations for properly funding Career Technology Centers, Educational Service Centers, and Charter and Community schools; and

WHEREAS, based on the research and work outlined above, the Cupp-Patterson Workgroup produced and recommended the Fair School Funding Plan, which was introduced in House Bill (H.B.) 305, and is currently incorporated into and improved upon in a companion bill in the Senate, Senate Bill (S.B.) 376; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly and the Governor of Ohio have an opportunity to devise a funding formula, as outlined in the Fair School Funding Plan, that is an investment in Ohio’s children and Ohio’s future.

Roll call: Mr. Bonner-yes, Mrs. Corzine - yes, Mr. Hartmus - yes, Mr. Mullins - yes, Mrs. Shoemaker - yes. The motion carried.

20-11-05 Treasurer’s Report and Recommendations

It was moved by Mrs. Corzine and seconded by Mrs. Shoemaker to approve the following resolutions / recommendations as a group:

PRESENTATION

Treasurer Lawwell gave a presentation on the updated Five Year Forecast.

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- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
To approve the Board of Education minutes of the October 26,2020 regular meeting and the November 9, 2020 special board meeting as presented.
- B. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS
To approve the financial reports for the month of October 2020 as presented.
- C. APPROVAL OF THE UPDATED FIVE YEAR FORCAST
To approve the Updated Five Year Forecast as presented.
- D. APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH ROSS-PIKE ESD
To approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ross-Pike Educational Service District and the Chillicothe City Schools to hire aides on behalf of the Ross Christian Academy for the 2020-2021 school year.
- E. APPROVAL OF THE SECTION 125 CAFETERIA PLAN
To approve the following Resolution as presented.

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the form of Amended Section 125 Cafeteria Plan effective January 1, 2021, presented to this meeting is hereby approved and adopted and that the proper officers of the Employer are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver to the Administrator of the Plan one or more counterparts of the Plan.

RESOLVED, that the Administrator shall be instructed to take such actions that are deemed necessary and proper in order to implement the amended Plan, and to set up adequate accounting and administrative procedures to provide benefits under the Plan.

RESOLVED, that the proper officers of the Employer shall act as soon as possible to notify employees of the Employer of the adoption of the amended Plan by delivering to each employee a copy of the summary description of the Plan in the form of the Summary Plan Description presented to this meeting, which form is hereby approved. The undersigned further certifies that true copies of the Adoption Agreement, Plan Document, and the Summary Plan Description, approved and adopted in the foregoing resolutions, are attached herewith.

- F. APPROVAL OF THE ROTH 457 PLAN
To approve the Adoption of the Roth 457 Plan as presented.
- G. APPROVAL OF RURAL & SMALL TOWN GRANT (CARES) AND BROADBAND GRANT EXPENDITURES
To Approve expenditures for the Rural & Small Town Grant (Cares): Chromebooks, licenses, cases, hired staff for the 1st semester including Salary/Benefits.

To approve expenditures for the Boardband Grant: Internet purchase for online student instruction.
- H. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS / DONATIONS
To accept the gifts / donations as listed below:
 - \$ 917.44 From the Class of 1957 to the Cavalier Closet
 - \$ 468.27 From the Glatfelter Activities Committee to the Cavalier Closet
 - \$ 100.00 From James & Sandra Donovan to the CHS National Art Honor Society in memory of the late Nancy J. Gray.
 - \$ 50.00 From Sandra Christman to the CHS National Art Honor Society in memory of the late Nancy J. Gray.

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Roll call on above group of resolutions: Mr. Bonner - yes, Mrs. Corzine - yes, Mr. Hartmus - yes, Mr. Mullins - yes, Mrs. Shoemaker - yes. The motions carried.

20-11-06 Superintendent’s Recommendations

It was moved by Mr. Hartmus and seconded by Mr. Mullins to approve the following resolutions / recommendations as a group:

A. BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS – REVIEW ONLY

These policies are presented for review prior to recommendation at the December 2020 Board of Education regular meeting. These policies reflect the changes to bring District policies into compliance with the current laws and are recommended by the Ohio School Board Association.

*BDC, Executive Sessions

DM, Deposit of Public Funds (Cash Collection Points)

*EDE, Computer / Online Services (Acceptable Use and Internet Safety)

DH, Bonded Employees and Officers

B. APPROVAL OF EARLY GRADUATION FOR 2020-2021

To approve early acceleration for graduation for the following students who must meet all their graduation requirements and proficiency / graduation requirements.

Chillicothe High School
2020-2021 Early Graduates

7-Semester Graduates
December 2020

The following CHS seniors have applied to graduate in December of 2020:

- 12th Hunter Bryans (Dec.) VLA
- 12th Luke Smith (Dec.) In-Building / CCP
- 12th Quiyanna Anderson (Dec.) In-Building
- 12th Hunter Hughes (Dec) VLA
- 12th Damon (Kaiden) Jackson (Dec.) PRCTC
- 12th Lani-Jo Hartley (Dec.) VLA
- 12th Taylor Haubeil (Dec.) In-Building
- 12th Ricky Madru (Dec) VLA

6-Semester Graduates
May 2021

The following 3rd year CHS students have applied to graduate in May of 2021:

- 11th Whitney Caplinger (May) Bridges
- 11th Payton Campbell (May) Bridges
- 11th Hope Meeks (May) VLA
- 11th Abby Good (May) In-Building
- 11th Caleb Rhoades (May) Roweton’s
- 11th Julia Cottrill (May) In-Building
- 11th Kayleigh Cottrill (May) Roweton’s
- 11th Asia Fairrow (May) VLA

C. APPROVAL OF PERSONEL ITEMS

To approve the following personnel recommendations pursuant to the terms and conditions of the new employee’s individual contract and his / her job description. Said employment will be contingent upon (1) receipt of a satisfactory criminal record check, (2) receipt of licensure / certification from ODE (3) verification of experience and training, and (4) negative results on the drug testing.

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1. Retirement – 2020-2021 School Year – Certificated Personnel
Steve Maybriar – C.I.S. – Art Teacher – effective at the end of the 2020-2021 school year. Mr. Maybriar has been with the District for 29 years.
2. Continuing Contract for Certificated Personnel – 2020-2021 School Year
Inna Ogle
Diane Hill
3. Employment – Certificated Personnel – 2021-2022 School Year
Morgan Foote – 2 year limited contract – 2021-2022 through the 2022-2023 school year – C.P.S. – 1st Grade Teacher
4. Employment – Classified Personnel – 2020-2021 School Year
Lacey Derexson – Executive Secretary – Special Education – 3 yrs exp.; \$19.86/hour – effective December 1, 2020
5. Assignment Transfers – Classified Personnel – 2020-2021 School Year
Crystal Puckett from Secretary at CMS to Secretary at CHS effective January 4, 2021

Kelly Oyer from Secretary at CPS to Secretary at CMS effective January 4, 2020

Holly Siberell from Secretary at Mt. Logan – Online Learning to Secretary at CPS effective January 4, 2021.

Ben Caine from Aide at Pioneer School to Aide in Pioneer Classroom at CPS effective November 4, 2020
6. Externships / Internships / Student Teachers – 2020-2021 School Year
Annemarie Brier – Student Teaching – CPS and CHS
7. Substitute Personnel (used on an as needed basis)
Tamara Washington – Substitute Teacher
Jordan Malone – Substitute Teacher

Angela Harding – Substitute Custodian

Kaddereanna Hammar – Substitute Lunchroom Worker
Mary Dalton – Substitute Lunchroom Worker
Sarah Murray – Substitute Lunchroom Worker
Courtney Mowbray – Substitute Lunchroom Worker

Kaddereranna Hammar – Substitute Aide
Mary Dalton – Substitute Aide
Sarah Murray – Substitute Aide
Courtney Mowbray – Substitute Aide
Bridget O’Dell – Substitute Aide

Kaddereanna Hammar – Substitute Secretary/Clerical/Fiscal
Mary Dalton – Substitute Secretary/Clerical/Fiscal
Sarah Murray – Substitute Secretary/Clerical/Fiscal
Courtney Mowbray – Substitute Secretary/Clerical/Fiscal
Bridget O’Dell – Substitute Secretary/Clerical/Fiscal

Mindy Dennewitz – Substitute Bus Driver
Anna Coleman – Substitute Bus Driver

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Mindy Dennewitz – Substitute Bus Aide
Anna Coleman – Substitute Bus Aide

Mindy Dennewitz – Substitute Van Driver
Anna Coleman – Substitute Van Driver

8. Supplemental Contracts – 2020-2021 School Year
***Correction – Lance Stoneking – CHS – Asst Basketball Coach – 9 yrs exp., \$3,770
Tyler Orr – CHS – Asst Bowling Coach – 0 exp., \$1,257
Savannah Bonner – CMS – Cheerleading Coach, Fall/Winter – 0 exp., \$1,885
9. Volunteers – 2020-2021
Chuck Orr – CHS – Asst. Bowling Coach
Chad LeMaster – CHS – Asst. Bowling Coach
Aaron Morgan – CHS – Asst. Wrestling Coach
10. Notice of Auction Items
 - DAKTRONICS Video Scoreboard
 - Power Flame Boiler Burner
 - Powerline Kicking and Punching Bag

Roll call on above group of resolutions: Mr. Bonner - yes, Mrs. Corzine - yes, Mr. Hartmus - yes, Mr. Mullins - yes, Mrs. Shoemaker - yes. The motions carried.

DISCUSSION / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Superintendent Swinehart opened the discussion saying we are keeping eyes on COVID and the Governor's recommendations coming out this week. Our numbers are not that bad. As a school district, we are doing pretty well. There are several quarantines at each building, but that is to be expected during this pandemic.

Board Member Comments

Mr. Hartmus asked if the District's Maintenance Plan includes a requirement to development a set of bid specifications for major maintenance projects to facilitate the bid proposal process. If not, he asked that something be included to include this in the bidding process to allow each vendor to have the same information to provide accurate bids on the same project. Mr. Mullins noted we do not have a lot of large repair / replacement projects; however, he agreed we need to review our District's Maintenance Plan and put a new structure in place moving forward for major facility maintenance, repair and replacement projects. Mr. Bonner asked about money that is set aside for these major purchases. Treasurer Lawwell reviewed the set aside funds and guidelines for using those funds.

Special Meeting Scheduled

Mr. Mullins asked that the Board schedule a Special Board Meeting the week of December 7th. Members agreed to meet on Monday, December 7th at 4:00 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room.

20-11-07 Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Hartmus and seconded by Mrs. Shoemaker to adjourn. Roll call: Mr. Bonner-yes, Mrs. Corzine - yes, Mr. Hartmus - yes, Mr. Mullins - yes, Mrs. Shoemaker - yes. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.