

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of CONNEAUT BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

June 15, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Conneaut Area City Schools Board of Education was held on Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at Corpus Christi Parish Hall, 477 Mill Street, Conneaut, Ohio 44030. The Regular Meeting was preceded by a 5:00 p.m. Work Session.

Work Session: Mr. Matt Crawford, Outdoor Learning Center, provided the board with information regarding the pending consideration of a pavilion on the east portion of the Conneaut Middle School property. Mr. Robert McBride provided an architectural rendering of appropriate size and estimated the cost to be approximately \$20,000 in labor and materials. The pavilion is projected to have a metal roof and possible using donated pine logs for construction. The pavilion would also contain picnic tables with for student and teacher use with the number of table depending on the orientation of the tables. Mr. Crawford noted that the Outdoor Learning Center will be showcased June 25 for the 2022 Northern Ohio Pollinator Summer Festival that will be held at Gateway Elementary and at the Outdoor Learning Center.

Mrs. Riley shared that four local businesses would be named as receiving the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) Business Honor Roll award. Mrs. Bernardini read the letter of acknowledgement and the board members presented the certificates. The awards were presented to Biscotti's accepted by Lori McLaughlin, Great Wave Communications accepted by Jim Kulko, Pat's Fireside Lounge accepted by Pat Cifelli and Conneaut Savings accepted by Jim Greenfield.

Meeting began at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Penny Armeni, Suzanne Bernardini, Christopher Brecht, Russ Coltman, Joan Norton

Others Present: Keith Troia, Susan Trost, Pat Cifelli, Lori McLaughlin, Jim Kulko, Jim Greenfield, Matt Crawford

Certifications by Treasurer that the Board of Education is in Compliance with meeting requirement rules.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Bernardini.

Agenda Modifications: None

Presentations: None

Delegations and visitors: None

Correspondence: Mrs. Riley provided a letter from OSBA thanking the Conneaut Board of Education for renewing their membership for the 2022-2023 school year. Mrs. Riley also noted the certificated of appreciation received from the Veteran Service Commission for hosing the Rite of Passage Ceremony at Conneaut High School in May.

Committee Reports

Legislative – Mr. Coltman shared that there were two bills in the house to watch; HB687 Capital Appropriations and HB 99 regarding persons authorized to go armed within school safety zone.

A-Tech – Mrs. Bernardini shared that A-Tech students had designed the new logo for Ashtabula County Juvenile Court. Mrs. Bernardini also noted that A-Tech machinist students placed second in the Nation Robotics League Competition held at Robert Morris University.

Athletic Council/SPARC– Mr. Brecht shared that SPAC was planning a week of fundraising events wherein all donations will be matched by an anonymous donor.

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Friends of the Conneaut Public Library/DLT – Mrs. Armeni reported that the DLT committee had met in person for the first time and that for the 22-23 school year, iReady assessment use will expand to include grades K-2.

City Council – Mrs. Norton asked that board members consider a date of September 12 or 14 for the next Joint City Council Meeting.

Board President – Mrs. Bernardini shared the pride that she had in attending and participating in the various senior events and the honor that it was to present diplomas. She thanked all who assisted in the creation of a successful program. Mrs. Bernardini also attended the Black Rock Adventure Park ribbon cutting ceremony and noted that the new owners are interested in supporting students.

Superintendent's report: Mrs. Riley, Superintendent, is finalizing plans with the administrators for Convocation Day with September 1 being the first student day. September 1 will be a day for students to come to buildings, check out their Chromebook for the year, meet their teacher, tour the buildings and sample a school provided meal. Mrs. Riley also noted that Promethean Panel boards were being received, and placed in classrooms in all the building with professional development to occur when staff returns from summer break. Mrs. Riley commended all on the various senior activities and graduation. The Chagrin Valley Conference (CVC) meeting was held June 6th and is considering adjust their current structure of athletics to expand to include academic competitions like Spelling Bee's. Mrs. Riley also noted that Governor DeWine signed legislation to allow school district or allow for school district personnel to carry weapons on school district property after 24 hours of training and that it would be a local school board decision on the creation of a policy. Mrs. Riley added that part of the professional development this fall would focus on school security in coordination with the school resource officer.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Miranda reviewed bread and milk quotes for the fall and the potential cost increase along with the award of Supply Chain funding that will assist in offsetting increased meal production costs. Mrs. Miranda also confirmed breakfast and lunch prices would remain the same for the 2022-2023 school year pending whether the USDA would continue the nationwide free breakfast and lunch program for the upcoming school year.

06-2022-01 Moved by Joan Norton, seconded by Penny Armeni that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 18, 2022 be approved as presented. (ENCLOSURE)

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

06-2022-02 Moved by Joan Norton, seconded by Russ Coltman that the financial report be approved as presented. (ENCLOSURE)

Ayes: Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton, Armeni

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

06-2022-03 Moved by Joan Norton, Christopher Brecht that the Board approve the following Then and Now Certificate as presented.

- Purchase order #81551-Multi-Vendor for diesel fuel purchases for April and May

Ayes: Brecht, Coltman, Norton, Armeni, Bernardini

Nays:

Abstain:

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06-2022-04 Moved by Christopher Brecht, seconded by Penny Armeni that the Board approve the following donations as presented.

- Donation in the amount of \$705.00 from various donors for the Class of 2025 Craft Show, fund #200-9025
- Donation in the amount of \$1,500.00 from FO Eagles for SPARC, fund #019-9100
- Donation in the amount of \$405.00 from Rick Furmage Realty for CMS Zoo Trip and General Fund, #018-9200
- Donation in the amount of \$311.68 from Music Theatre International for Music Dept., fund #300-9102

Ayes: Coltman, Norton, Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

06-2022-05 Moved by Joan Norton, seconded by Russ Coltman that Guarantee Trust Life Insurance be awarded the student accident insurance contract for the 2022-2023 school year as presented. (ENCLOSURE)

Ayes: Norton, Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

06-2022-06 Moved by Joan Norton, seconded by Penny Armeni that the following quote for bread products for the 2022-2023 school year be awarded as presented.

To: Bimbo Bakeries

Whole Grain White Bread	\$2.12	Whole Grain Hot Dog Buns	\$2.52
Whole Grain Wheat Bread	\$2.12	Whole Grain Wheat Dinner Rolls	\$2.10
Whole Grain Hamburger Buns	\$2.48		

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

06-2022-07 Moved by Russ Coltman, seconded by Penny Armeni that the following quote for milk products for the 2022-2023 school year be awarded as presented.

To: DFA Dean's

Half Pint 1% Milk	\$0.28	Apple Juice 4 OZ	\$0.20
Half Pint Fat Free Chocolate	\$0.28	Orange Juice 4 OZ	\$0.16

Ayes: Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton, Armeni

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

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06-2022-08 Moved by Penny Armeni, seconded by Christopher Brecht that the following breakfast and lunch prices be approved as presented for the 2022-2023 school year.

Student type A lunch

Lakeshore Primary/Gateway Elementary:	Breakfast: \$1.35	Lunch: \$2.75
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Conneaut Middle/Conneaut High:	Breakfast: \$1.65	Lunch: \$3.00
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Adult lunch \$4.00, milk extra

Adult breakfast, all ala carte

Ayes: Brecht, Coltman, Norton, Armeni, Bernardini

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

06-2022-09 Moved by Christopher Brecht, seconded by Russ Coltman that the Board approve the purchase of one (1) Food Truck, \$24,600.00, paid through Food Service, fund #006-9005 as presented.

Ayes: Coltman, Norton, Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

06-2022-10 Moved by Joan Norton, seconded by Christopher Brecht that the Board approve the purchase of one (1) Combi Oven, \$28,026.77, paid through Food Service, fund #006-9005 as presented.

Ayes: Norton, Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

06-2022-11 Moved by Christopher Brecht, seconded by Penny Armeni that the Board approve the amended Administrative Salary Schedule as presented.

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

06-2022-12 Moved by Russ Coltman, seconded by Joan Norton that the Board approve the resolution to provide non-routine use of district buses as transportation during the 2022 D-Day re-enactment. (ENCLOSURE)

Ayes: Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton, Armeni

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

06-2022-13 Moved by Joan Norton, seconded by Christopher Brecht that the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to establish a cooperative agreement between Conneaut Health Department and Conneaut Area City Schools as presented.

Ayes: Brecht, Coltman, Norton, Armeni, Bernardini

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

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06-2022-14 Moved by Christopher Brecht, seconded by Penny Armeni that the Board approve the following list of Conneaut High School Seniors, Class of 2022, as certified by the High School Principal, for diplomas pending satisfactory completion of state and local requirements.

Preston Skylar Hall Rickey Dale Roupe
 Ayes: Coltman, Norton, Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht
 Nays:
 Abstain:
 Motion Carried

06-2022-15 Moved by Penny Armeni, seconded by Russ Coltman that the Board approve the abolishment of the following classified position as presented.

- #04-74 ATECH One on One Paraprofessional Aide

Ayes: Norton, Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman
 Nays:
 Abstain:
 Motion Carried

06-2022-16 Moved by Christopher Brecht, seconded by Joan Norton that the Board approve a one (1) year limited contract for the following certified personnel for the 2022-2023 school year.

Frank Armeni Intervention M+15, step 16
 Ayes: Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton
 Nays:
 Abstain: Armeni
 Motion Carried

06-2022-17 Moved by Penny Armeni, seconded by Christopher Brecht that the Board approve the following personnel resolutions, pending proper certification and successful completion of pre-employment testing and personnel paper work as needed, in accordance with scale as adopted by the Board.

17.01 Approve resignations as presented:

Classified Staff:

Marcus Currence, bus mechanic, effective 6/17/22

Larry Latva, driver, due to retirement, effective 8/26/22

Elizabeth Franklin, EMIS Coordinator, due to retirement, effective 8/1/22

Tim Gran, paraprofessional, effective the end of the 2021-2022 school year
 (last assigned work day June 8, 2022)

17.02 Approve leave for the following personnel.

Cindy Cronin, leave of absence, using unpaid leave for the 2022-2023 school year

17.03 Approve movement on scale to reflect additional education.

Matthew Bidwell, from M+15 to M+30

Artemis Mermis, from M+15 to M+30

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- 17.04 Amend motion 05-2022-08, 08.05, approve a three (3) year administrative contract at levels of the administrative salary scale for the following personnel effective with the 2022-2023 school year.

Gary Case CMS Asst. Principal

- 17.05 Amend motion 05-2022-08, 08.06, approve a one (1) year administrative contract for the following personnel effective with the 2022-2023 school year.

Eric Kujala Asst. to the Superintendent

- 17.06 Approve a three (3) year administrative contract at levels of the administrative salary scale for the following personnel effective with the 2022-2023 school year.

Allyson Clark Director of Pupil Services

- 17.07 Approve a one (1) year limited contract for the following certified personnel for the 2022-2023 school year.

Peter Alessi Intervention M, step 2

- 17.08 Approve employment for the following certified personnel as Summer Tutors/Summer School at \$30.00/hr., for the 2022 summer program, effective June 28-July 28, T-W-TH.

Jessica Cunningham Jeanne Irwin Kelly Jones
Erica Revak Sherri Vendetti

- 17.09 Approve employment for the following certified personnel as STEAM Camp Teachers at \$30.00/hr., for the 2022 summer program, effective June (to be determined), August 3 and August 8-11.

Courtney Case Gina Dickinson Christina Frisbie
Lesley Gerics Jeanne Irwin Kelly Jones
Joel Specht Rebecca Thomas

- 17.10 Approve employment for the following Orton Gillingham home tutors at \$30.00/hr. for the 2022 summer program, effective June 28, 2022 through July 28, 2022.

Michael Kenyon Jodi Pasanen

- 17.11 Approve supplemental contracts for the 2022-2023 school year.

Julie Phares Sophomore Class Adv. Step 1 (half time)
Jamie Farmer Sophomore Class Adv. Step 1 (half time)

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Nays:

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Board Member Summary: The board expressed appreciation for graduation activities and thanked the Conneaut Dairy Queen for supporting Junior Leadership with Blizzard Day. The board also thanked the Rotary Club honoring Zach Rhodes as Conneaut Teacher of the Year and the Conneaut Elks for presentation of student scholarships. The board commends the community for the work, the support for all in the community and the successful business relationships. The board also thanked Nick Perkoski for arranging for the use of Corpus Christi Parish Cabrini Hall for the June 15 school board meeting.

06-2022-18 Moved by Russ Coltman, seconded by Christopher Brecht that the Board adjourn this regular meeting.
Ayes: Brecht, Coltman, Norton, Armeni, Bernardini
Nays:
Abstain:
Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned 6:16 p.m.

Treasurer

President