

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## Minutes of CONNEAUT BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

November 16, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Conneaut Area City Schools Board of Education was held on Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at Conneaut High Schools. The Regular Meeting was preceded by a work session that began at 10:00 a.m.

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Work Session: Mr. Eric Kujala provided an update on district safety. This included highlights regarding the update of the safety plan completion in May 2022, as required by the state of Ohio every three years. Mr. Kujala also noted that the district had applied for an OSFC Safety grant and had been denied. However, the state of Ohio then offered an additional opportunity to apply for safety grant funds, provided by the federal ARP funding, and the district was awarded \$50,000 per building. For safety upgrades. The district has also applied for and been awarded a \$40,000 three to one matching grant, thru the Ohio Bureau of Worker's Compensation. Mr. Kujala noted that the district safety committee is meeting regularly and planning a variety of trainings for the upcoming professional development day on November 21, 2022.

Meeting began at 10:30 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Bernardini.

Agenda Modifications: None

Presentations: Mr. Eric Kujala presented the District Safety update during the work session.

Delegations and visitors: None

Correspondence: None

Committee Reports

Legislative – Mr. Coltman shared that the most important legislation at this time is to focus on the movement of the Fair School Funding Plan to be fully funded.

A-Tech – Mrs. Bernardini had no report for A-Tech.

Athletic Council/SPARC– Mr. Brecht shared that the Athletic Council had met last week and were reviewing the sports calendar. He noted that SPARC would be meeting next month and would review the matching donation event during Homecoming week sponsored by an anonymous donor.

Student Achievement Report and DLT – Mrs. Armeni had no report.

City Council – Mrs. Norton announced the Spartan Student of the Month was Jack Coccitto for October and Adia Ingram for November.

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Board President – Mrs. Bernardini shared that the opportunity for school board members to attend the annual Ohio School Boards Association sponsored Capital Conference event was a great resource to board members and provided a networking opportunity for districts.

Superintendent's report: Mrs. Lori Riley, Superintendent, shared that University Hospitals held their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary event with success and thanked the Conneaut Music Department, band and choral groups and directors, Mr. Nate Wise and Mr. Austin Blair for performing at the event. Mrs. Riley also shared her recommendation to employ Mrs. Elizabeth Gillette as Food Service Supervisor effective November 16, 2022. Mrs. Riley also noted the retirement of Mrs. Barb Krasicki. Mrs. Riley shared that the annual Stuff the Bus competition would occur on December 3 in front of WalMart in Ashtabula, with Conneaut competing against Buckeye and Geneva. Mrs. Riley also provided an update on the progress of the Impact Group in gathering information for the creation of a district strategic plan.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Miranda, Treasurer, presented the five year forecast, highlighting two charts reflecting four years of historical and four years of forecasted revenue and expense trends.

Board Summary: The board sends their condolences to the family of Charles Ott, retired English teacher. Mrs. Armeni shared that the Conneaut Chamber of Commerce Christmas parade would be held on Friday, November 25 with a Hallmark theme this year. Mrs. Norton and Mr. Coltman both noted the value of attending Capital Conference. The board shared the importance of the arts in schools and are impressed by the high quality of our students and staff.

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11-2022-01      Moved by Mrs. Norton and seconded by Mr. Coltman that the minutes of the regular meeting of October 19, 2022 be approved as presented. (ENCLOSURE)

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

11-2022-02      Moved by Mrs. Armeni and seconded by Mr. Brecht that the financial report be approved as presented. (ENCLOSURE)

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

11-2022-03      Moved by Mrs. Norton and seconded by Mr. Coltman that the Board approve the Five-Year Forecast as presented. (ENCLOSURE)

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

11-2022-04      Moved by Mr. Brecht and seconded by Mrs. Norton that the Board approve the following donations as presented.

- Donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from FO Eagles for SPARC, fund #019-9100
- Donation in the amount of \$100.00 from Orlando Brothers Golden Dawn for SPARC Homecoming, fund #019-9100
- Donation in the amount of \$418.00 from Orlando Brothers Golden Dawn Customers for SPARC Homecoming, fund #019-9100
- Donation in the amount of \$150.00 from Sparky's Place, for SPARC, fund #019-9100
- Donation in the amount of \$500.00 from W. Brown Custom Jewelry & Design Inc. for SPARC Homecoming, fund #019-9100
- Donation in the amount of \$2,500.00 from Kerry & Janet Gerdes for SPARC Homecoming, fund #019-9100
- Donation in the amount of \$100.00 from Conneaut Elks for CHS Theatre, fund #300-9060
- Donation in the amount of \$100.00 from Conneaut Moose Lodge for CHS Drama Dept., fund #300-9060
- Donation in the amount of \$636.00 from Castaway's for SPARC, fund #019-9100

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- Donation in the amount of \$500.00 from Conneaut Port Authority for the Guidance Dept. in Memory of Joe Parma, fund #018-9100

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

11-2022-05      Moved by Mr. Coltman and seconded by Mrs. Armeni that the Board approve the request to create the following funds with all the corresponding revenue and expenditure line items.

- K-12 Ohio Safety Grant      599-9223      \$200.000

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

11-2022-06      Moved by Mrs. Norton and seconded by Mr. Coltman that the Board approve a one-time lump sum COVID 19 retention payment of \$500.00 dollars to certain employees of the district as presented.

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

11-2022-07      Moved by Mr. Brecht and seconded by Mrs. Norton that the Board approve the agreement between the District and the General Electric Company as presented. (ENCLOSURE)

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

11-2022-08      Moved by Mrs. Norton and seconded by Mrs. Armeni that the Board approve the agreement between the District and the Ashtabula Area City Schools as presented. (ENCLOSURE)

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

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11-2022-09      Moved by Mr. Coltman and seconded by Mr. 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.

09.01      Approve resignations as presented.

Certified:

Barbara Krasicki, due to retirement, effective June 15, 2023. She has been with the district for 22 years.

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

Adam Holdson Intervention Specialist B, step 0, effective 7/20/2022

09.03      Approve a two (2) year contract for the following non-bargaining unit personnel effective November 17, 2022.

Elizabeth Gillette                      Food Service Supervisor

09.04      Approve the following changes in classified contracts.

Pam Partridge, LPS Administrative Asst., step 2, 8 hrs/per day, effective 9/19/2022 through 10/7/2022.

09.05      Approve a one (1) year contract for the following classified personnel for the 2022-2023 school year.

Pam Partridge, LPS Library Clerk., step 2, 6.5 hrs/per day, 195 days/per year, effective 10/10/2022.

Eugene Emery, LPS Administrative Asst., step 13, 8 hrs/per day, 205 days/per year, effective 10/10/2022.

Patricia Gilbert, Bus Aide, step 1, 5.75 hrs/per day, 186 days/per year, effective 10/17/2022.

Michael Mandagelo, Bus Aide, step 0, 5.25 hrs/per day, 186 days/per year, effective 10/17/2022.

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Jolene Rainey, GES Library Clerk, step 1, 6.75 hrs/per day, 195 days/per year, effective 11/7/2022.

- 09.06 Approve employment for the following substitute classified personnel for the 2022-2023 school year.

Tiffany Braden

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

Matt Pape	Baseball-JV Asst. Coach	Step 6
Austin Blair	Drama Director/Musical	Step 2
Nathan Wise	Drama Orchestra Director	Step 2

- 09.08 Approve volunteers for the district athletic program for the 2022-2023 school year.

Level 2: Kristen Keesling

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

- 11-2022-10 Moved by Mr. Brecht and seconded by Mr. Coltman that the Board adjourn this regular meeting.

Ayes: Armeni, Bernardini, Brecht, Coltman, Norton

Nays:

Abstain:

Motion Carried

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Meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

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Treasurer

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President