

Elida High School Community Room at 7:00 p.m.

January 14, 2021

Held

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Barnt	<u>P</u>
Mr. Bowers	<u>P</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>P</u>

Mr. Schymanski	<u>P</u>
Mrs. Stocker	<u>P</u>

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- Students of the Month

V. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LIAISON REPORT

VI. LEGISLATIVE LIAISON

Mr. Schymanski reported on the following:

Ohio Lame Duck Legislation

HB 409 was signed by the Governor. Some important items include: exempts districts from retaining a student under the third-grade reading guarantee for the 2020-21 school year; extends the ability of the superintendent of public instruction to adjust or waive the deadlines on a variety of actions regulated by the State Board of Education, including the filling of a vacancy on a board of education; and prohibits state report cards for the 2020-21 school year and provides a safe harbor from sanctions or penalties from state report card ratings.

HB 436 could start in the school year 2022-2023, is pending the Governor's signature. There is still time for his signature to make the bill into law. This bill requires annual dyslexia screenings for students in grades K-5. Also, requires the establishment of a multisensory structured literacy certification process for teachers employed by the district or school who provide instruction in grades K-three. The bill also requires all K-three teachers and special education teachers in grades four-12 to complete between six and 18 hours of professional development over a set time frame.

HB75 did not make it into law. This bill would have required school boards to pass a resolution to contest a property tax reduction request by the property owner.

HB38 also did not make it into law. This was a bill that would have provided a building lease owner to appeal the building property taxes. As info, currently only the owner, not the lease holder can request property tax reductions.

SB68 did pass both the House and Senate and was sent to the Governor before the year ended. Like HB436, the Governor still has time to sign this bill and make it law. This bill requires a state model curriculum for high school students on proper interactions with peace officers during traffic stops and other encounters and requires districts to incorporate this curriculum into at least one course required for high school graduation. If signed, ODE will have to develop a model curriculum.

Federal Funding

The CR for Education was passed without an issue. The bill has \$16.5 billion for Title 1-A programs, an increase of \$227 million. IDEA was set at \$13.8 billion which is an increase of \$181 million. Title II and Title IV did also receive minor increases in funding.

This seems like a decent increase until you take it down to the local school level. I would like to thank Mrs. Simmons for this funding info.

Title I increase is \$3,908.89.

Title II increase is \$2,977.85.

Title IV increase is \$1358.79.

IDEA increase is only \$25,904.96.

These increases do little to offset the impact that inflation has on our costs and the burden that inflation adds to our local taxpayer funding level.

Stimulus Funding

House Resolution (HR) 133, the Consolidated Appropriations Act was signed into law on December 27, 2020. The stimulus bill provides some help to K-12 Education. There are, like the CARES Act, two K-12 funds. The Emergency Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund. The second is the Governors Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund. The ESSER has \$54.3 Billion to allocate to states. Based on the CARES Act, OSBA is estimating that Ohio will get 3.6% or around 1.74 Billion dollars. Title 1-A formula will probably be the distribution formula.

The GEER fund will have \$4.1 billion added to the existing GEER funds. Of that, \$2.75 billion must go to nonpublic schools. For Ohio, OSBA is estimating the Governor will get an additional \$143.5 million for K-12 education. Again, a portion of this \$143.5 million must be set aside for nonpublic schools. The method of distribution to public schools has not yet been defined but I expect the money to come to the LEA and the LEA will have to distribute money to the nonpublic schools in their district. ODE will have to define this process.

As info, there is also increases for Higher Education in this fund, some direct to colleges and some via the Governors fund, if the Governor wishes.

Deadline to spend this money as well as CARES Act is September 2022.

The new Act allows for more spending in areas not mentioned in the CARES Act. This does help us spend the money in a better fashion to help us. ODE will end up clarifying the allowable expenses.

Some examples on spending the ESSER funds include: Addressing learning loss through tests, implementing evidence-based activities to meet student needs, info to parents and families on how to support students in distance learning or tracking student attendance to improve student engagement. School facility repairs & improvements to reduce exposure to Virus transmission or exposure to environmental health hazards.

President Trump's executive Order on Vouchers:

President Trump Signed an executive order to finance "emergency learning scholarships". What does this mean? The executive order allows the use of Community Service Block Grants (CSRG) for disadvantaged families without access to in-person learning. This is another form of school voucher for private schools. However, the process is complicated and may not be implemented. The assumption is that there is excess money in the Community Block grant fund. Lima and Allen County have all their funds committed to housing projects and are already seeking more funds for housing or demolition projects. Most communities have no excess funds, and the executive order does not specify how CSRG will find the money. Then, there is the requirement to develop a grant application process. In short, this looks more like a publicity program than actual help for struggling families.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

ELIDA BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

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20**Fair Funding Resolution update:**

Both the Senate President and the Ohio Speaker have said school funding is important. But, like last year, there is no guarantee that the Fair Funding Formula will be addressed timely or at all this biennium budget. I would like to keep the pressure on, especially on Senator Huffman, the President of the Senate. I propose that we update the Fair Funding Resolution. I would like us as part of Senator Huffman's district to be among the first to try and make this an issue and part of the biennium budget. I would hope that in February or March, we update and pass an improved Fair Funding resolution. I would like to know if the board agrees with this idea.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO ACTION ITEMS**VIII. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

- School Board Recognition Month

Mr. Mengerink reported on the following:

- No Apollo All-Boards Dinner this year
- This is Mr. Fricke's last year to serve as our Apollo Rep on their Board
- March 9 is 2-hr delay for PD. It is also ACT testing day for all juniors. We may look to make 9th, 10th, & 12th graders remote on this day to give us additional flexibility with spacing, etc.
- We have once again received the Attorney General's Safety Grant - amount = \$11,428
- Shared remote vs. in-person learning numbers
- Shared other positive PR messages received
- The District has once again been recognized with PBIS Awards: HS & MS received the Bronze Award, and the Elem received the Silver Award
- Gave an update on the status of vaccine administration - the Governor has stated it will begin Feb 1. The health department is still waiting on confirmation of which vaccine, amount available, and will be working on the how to part of it. Not much known at this point and we may only receive a day or two notice.
- Elementary Construction Update: ceiling tile will begin being installed soon, there is a terrazzo floor pre-install meeting scheduled for next week, roof work continues, lots of drywall is being installed and painting is taking place. We may look at a tour next month for the Board
- Committee assignments will remain unchanged this year
- Recognized the Board and thanked them for all of their extra efforts this past year as a part of School Board Appreciation Month.

IX. TREASURER REPORT

Mr. Parker reported on the following:

General Fund 12/31/20

- Revenue \$11,700,634
- Expenses \$12,206,660
- Net Loss (\$506,026)
- Ending Balance \$4,480,735

From the Desk of Bill Phillis

"The likelihood of the Senate improving upon the Cupp/Patterson plan during the state budget process (March - June) is slim to none. The potential of trashing the framework of it is of concern. The new Senate President has a laser focus on voucher expansion. Cupp and Patterson have a laser focus on adequate and equitable school district funding."

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Tax Base Data

- 2018 - \$399,777,370

- 2019 - \$405,619,970

- 2020 - \$409,874,060

Agriculture

- 2017 - \$43,426,910

- 2018 - \$36,120,140

- 2019 - \$37,335,570

- 2020 - \$38,163,130 (9.31%)

Residential

- 2017 - \$226,733,050

- 2018 - \$252,389,100

- 2019 - \$253,414,470

- 2020 - \$255,248,550 (62.27%)

Commercial/Industrial/Util Real

- 2017 - \$97,100,950

- 2018 - \$98,720,220

- 2019 - \$101,337,090

- 2020 - \$101,857,710 (24.86%)

Utility Personal

- 2017 - \$14,182,620

- 2018 - \$12,547,910

- 2019 - \$13,532,840

- 2020 - \$14,604,670 (3.56%)

Tax Base Data

- Residential Tax Rate

- 2018 - 37.527

- 2019 - 37.233

- 2020 - 36.568

X. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education add an Open Board Forum to the end of the agenda to discuss COVID-19 matters.

Jeff Christoff moved and Pat Schymanski seconded that the above recommendations be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barnt

Y

Mr. Schymanski

Y

Mr. Bowers

Y

Mrs. Stocker

Y

Mr. Christoff

Y

XI. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ACTION ITEMS

Jason Bowers moved and Pat Schymanski seconded that the Agenda for the January 14, 2021, regular meeting of the Elida Board of Education be adopted.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barnt

Y

Mr. Schymanski

Y

Mr. Bowers

Y

Mrs. Stocker

Y

Mr. Christoff

Y

XII. CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approve Previous Minutes

Elida Board of Education regular meeting on December 15, 2020 (Exhibit A)

2. Students of the Month

It is recommended that the following students be designated as Students of the Month for January, 2021, for the Elida Local School District:

Elida Elementary School

Christopher Morris

Paige Lehman

Za'mar Parsley

Roderick Richardson, II

Elida Middle School

Tobin Amspoker

Leah Coppler

Bryce Dotson

Nevach Van Wagner

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Elida High School

Seth Sharp
 Zachary Thomas
 Savanna Welch
 Adrien Fingerle

3. Resolution of Appreciation of Elida School Counselors

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education does hereby proclaim February 1– 5, 2021 as National School Counseling Week and express their appreciation for the counselors of the district.

4. Financial Reports

It is recommended that the Board acknowledge the financial reports submitted by the Treasurer.
 (Exhibit B)

5. Resignation

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following resignation:

Certified:

Keena Mosley, Bus Driver, effective January 7, 2021

6. Employment

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following personnel for employment pending criminal investigation check, a negative drug test, and for teaching, aides, and coaching personnel meeting certification requirements as determined by the Ohio Department of Education, per salary schedule in effect.

Supplemental:

Middle School Yearbook Advisor, 2020-21 School Year – L. Jay Terry,
 4% of base

Baseball

Head Coach – Todd Grapner
 Varsity Assistant – Tony Moore
 JV – Jason Selhorst
 8th Grade – Joel Parker
 7th Grade – Jeff Thomas

Softball

Head Coach – Hillary Overholt
 Varsity Assistant – Mike Eilerman
 JV – Mitch Monfort
 8th Grade – Andrea Ricker
 7th Grade – Nathan Westenbarger

Track

Head Girls Coach – Trish Smith
 Varsity Assistant – Andy Etzkorn
 Varsity Assistant – Jaden Overholt
 MS Boys – Randy Woods
 MS Girls Track – Katie Sarno
 Head Boys Coach – Jay Terry

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Tennis - Boys

Head Coach - Michael Sarno

Soccer

Girls Head Soccer Coach - Mitch Monfort

7. Volunteers

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following personnel as a volunteer. Volunteering will be pending following the school volunteer policy guidelines and proper certifications from ODE for Class II Volunteers.

Class II

Skylar McKinley, HS Softball

Zach Miller, HS Baseball Volunteer

Mark Alstaetter, HS Track

8. Appropriation Modifications

FUND	CLASS/NAME	FUND #/SCC	APPROPRIATIONS	ADDITIONS	MODIFIED APPROPRIATIONS
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SPECIAL REVENUE

Title III	551-9221	-0-	\$11,791.34	\$11,791.34	
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Fiduciary Funds

5 th Quiz Bowl	200-9194	\$57.12	\$19.04	\$76.16	
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6 th Quiz Bowl	200-9196	\$49.98	\$36.60	\$86.58	
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9. High School 2020-2021 Academic Handbook

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the 2020-2021 Academic Handbook.
(Exhibit C)

10. Removal of Inventory

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the disposal of the following unusable items:

Elida Elementary School

Sharp VHS Player, #30001640, #13924

Outside Maintenance

Kawasaki - Dynamight Generator (30 Years Old)

Pat Schymanski moved and Jason Bowers seconded that the above recommendations be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barnt	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Schymanski	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Bowers	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Stocker	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

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XIII. ACTION ITEMS**1. Donation (1-21-1)**

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education accept with gratitude the following donations:

- From Katie, Cory & Cody Kundert, Children's Masks
- From a nationwide online fundraiser from the general public "The Great American Mask Drive", masks for students

Pat Schymanski moved and Jason Bowers seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barnt	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Schymanski	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Bowers	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Stocker	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

2. OEPI Membership (1-21-2)

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the 2021 Ohio Education Policy Institute membership at a cost of \$1,000.00.

Barry Barnt moved and Jason Bowers seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barnt	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Schymanski	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Bowers	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Stocker	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

3. Advertising of Bids for Elementary Concession Stand (1-21-3)

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the advertising of bids for an elementary concession stand.

Jason Bowers moved and Pat Schymanski seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barnt	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Schymanski	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Bowers	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Stocker	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

4. Sales Project (1-21-4)

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following sales project:

Organization: Elementary PBIS-STARS
Advisor: Michelle Allison
Project: T-Shirt/Candy Sales
Date: January 25, 2021 – May 7, 2021

Pat Schymanski moved and Barry Barnt seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barnt	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Schymanski	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Bowers	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Stocker	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

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5. Driver Education Rates (1-21-5)

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following Driver Education Rates effective 2/15/21.

\$280 – In Class & Driving
 \$315 – Online Class & Driving
 \$35 – Online Class Only
 \$280 – Driving Only

Jason Bowers moved and Pat Schymanski seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barnt	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Schymanski	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Bowers	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Stocker	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

6. Employment (1-21-6)

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following personnel for employment pending criminal investigation check, a negative drug test, and for teaching, aides, and coaching personnel meeting certification requirements as determined by the Ohio Department of Education, per salary schedule in effect.

Non-Certified:

Keena Mosley, Substitute Bus Driver

Pat Schymanski moved and Barry Barnt seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barnt	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Schymanski	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Bowers	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Stocker	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

XIV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – OTHER**XV. OPEN BOARD FORUM**

The Board discussed COVID-19 matters as they relate to the school setting.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Pat Schymanski moved and Jason Bowers seconded that the January 14, 2021 meeting of the Elida Board of Education be adjourned at 8:09 P.M.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Barnt	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Schymanski	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Bowers	<u>Y</u>	Mrs. Stocker	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

Note: Exhibits will be available online when the minutes are posted. For further documentation on agenda items, please contact the Treasurer.

 President

 Treasurer