

Elida High School Community Room at 7:00 p.m. October 20, 2020
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ELIDA ELEMENTARY BUILDING PROJECT TOUR 6:00 P.M.

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A G E N D A

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

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

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

V. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LIAISON REPORT

Levi Winget, a 2020 graduate, presented his class mural to the board.

VI. LEGISLATIVE LIAISON

Mr. Schymanski reported on the following:

Federal info

12 Continuing Resolutions were approved to keep the Government running. The CRs allow the Government to operate until Dec. 11, 2020. One CR included funding for school lunch equity programs, allowing school to offer free lunch until September 2021. If the Secretary of Agriculture authorizes free lunch programs to continue. The Secretary of Agriculture did authorize free lunches to continue per the CR. Funding for Title programs and IDEA were funded at same level as the last fiscal year. The CRs run out in the lame duck session of Congress so I am unsure of what will happen with the next round of fiscal bills. My guess is that we will operate with CRs for this fiscal year and whoever wins the election will try to create a budget for 2021-2022.

State budget status?????

Education budget is currently operating under ODE guidance with the cut to the 2020-2021 budget the same percentage as at the end of last school year. It appears most states are waiting to see if there is any relief from the Federal Government. If not, educational finance specialists are projecting states to develop their 2020-2021 budget adjustment in the February or March (2021) time frame. Budget specialists are urging fiscal caution and to expect heavy reliance on local revenue sources, especially upon property tax.

State Funding concerns

HB166 which causes a massive shift in funding to private schools with the voucher language. This bill could eventually affect all public schools. Legislation that delays HB166 is expiring soon.

Possible solutions!!!

HB 305 which is a school funding bill that could provide relief, but it could be difficult to approve with the states limited revenue sources and legislative reluctance to increase revenue to fund this bill. HB 358 could provide relief if provisions are added to this bill.

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That is why OSBA is asking school board members and others to write their representative and senator.

Voucher associated setbacks.

South Carolina's Governor tried to use the Stimulus funds for K-12 to fund a voucher program for the state. That was declared illegal by state courts. Tennessee developed a voucher program and the Tennessee Supreme court declared that program unconstitutional. Does this mean anything for the legal case in Ohio? Probably not. I don't expect the state legislators to drop their voucher push. If the case does go to court, I feel confident to say that the case will go through the Appeals court and perhaps to the State Supreme court.

Other Ohio Legislation:

SB 350 would prohibit school districts from providing transit passes in the current school year to students in grades kindergarten through eight who are entitled to transportation services by their resident district. It would require a deduction of state funds from a district for noncompliance with this provision. Background, several school districts have offered travel vouchers for public transportation that allow non-public school students to utilize available public transportation versus school bus transportation. This move is designed to save the public school system transportation costs, especially given the lack of bus drivers many schools are facing. Non-public school parents are upset and don't want younger students on public transportation. At issue is local control versus state legislators mandating school policy.

SB 342 is a bill that has been around in various forms for several legislative sessions. This bill seeks to add financial literacy to required curriculum. Bill does have some interesting features. This ½ unit class would become part of the 2-unit social studies requirement. Bill does propose some financial help for teachers since additional certification is required. Funding is supposed to come from the high school literacy fund. Bill is in the very beginning stages and may not make it through the Senate and house before the year ends.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO ACTION ITEMS

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Jason Fleming – Garmann/Miller – Provided an update on the Elida Elementary Building Project

Mr. Mengerink reported on the following:

- Jason Fleming - Garmann/Miller - gave an update on the elementary construction project.
- The handouts I have given are intended as an update from our Business Advisory Council. You will see as you look through the materials information about job availability, wage information, and youth involvement. I should also note that we did use Ohio Means Jobs for our high school custodial positions.
- Elida 4th grade students will be part of the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) test after the first of the year in the areas of Math & Reading.
- I am happy to announce to our staff that we now have an agreement in place with Bluffton University that provides any staff member, their spouse, and/or dependents a 20% discount on tuition at Bluffton University. We will be sending out information to staff tomorrow about this new program. A thank you to Bluffton for offering this to our employees.
- We have just recently been officially notified that students will be able to receive free meals through the entire school year. This is a great benefit to our students. We do want to continue to remind families that even though this is happening they should still fill out free and reduced paperwork to help with school fees.

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- We have been invited to be a part of a new CC+ program being offered to our students through Rhodes St. This new pathway being offered is for a Patient Care Technician certificate. It is part of the STEM grant that they obtained so there is no cost to the student or the district. Textbooks are covered and below the floor tuition was approved by the Chancellor.
- The elementary will be hosting a virtual author visit in November with Julia Cook. She has written books such as Soda Pop Head and Wilma Jean the Worry Machine to name just a few.
- No need for any other elementary update really, other than to say that we are in the very early stages of starting to talk/plan for the auction that will take place at the end of the school year.
- The district will continue to follow eligibility guidelines that have been approved by the Board and OHSAA moving forward this year.

IX. TREASURER REPORT

Mr. Parker reported on the following:

General Fund 9/30/20

- Revenue \$8,103,512
- Expenses \$6,120,989
- Net Gain \$1,982,523
- Ending Balance \$6,969,284
- (last year Net Gain \$1,965,891)
- Revenue down \$218,778
- Expenses down \$235,410

Elida Educational Foundation

- 300 Club
- Tickets on Sale
- New game starts November 17, 2020

OASBO Endorses Sub HB305

- Fair School Funding Plan
- Cupp/Patterson Workgroup
- Analyzed national research, best practices, actual Ohio school spending data, and drew on their own extensive experience
- Laid out a rational, transparent, comprehensive and fair system to fund schools (based on the actual cost of providing a basic education)
- Developed a method of sharing the funding of the Base Cost between the state and local taxpayers that is easy to understand and fair
- Identified and provided a framework for providing additional resources to meet needs beyond those of basic education
- Developed recommendations for properly funding Career Tech ECS's, Charter and Community Schools

X. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA ACTION ITEMS**XI. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ACTION ITEMS**

Jason Bowers moved and Barry Barnt seconded that the Agenda for the October 20, 2020, meeting of the Elida Board of Education be adopted.

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

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

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

XII. CONSENT ITEMS**1. Approve Previous Minutes**

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

2. Financial Reports

(Exhibit B)

3. Students of the Month

It is recommended that the following students be designated as Students of the Month for October, 2020, for the Elida Local School District:

Elida Elementary School

Addilynn Cardenas
 Raegan Good
 Stella Lieurance
 Madelyn Thomas

Elida Middle School

Brooklie Corwin
 Marc Anthony Flores
 Carson Kirk
 Allisa McDaniel

Elida High School

Isabella Carbetta
 Jasury Garcia Mejia
 Vishv Patel
 Gage Myers

4. School Bus Safety Week

Be it resolved that the Elida Board of Education does hereby join school districts throughout Ohio and across the nation in designating October 19 – 23, 2020 as NATIONAL SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK, and officially recognizes the important contributions that the School Bus Drivers, Director, Mechanic, Secretary and other support staff in the Transportation Department make to the students, staff, and families served.

5. Resignations/Retirements

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

Non-Certified:

Jacqueline Thomas, Cook at Elida Elementary, effective September 25, 2020

Supplemental:

AJ Selvaggio, Varsity Assistant Wrestling Coach

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.

Non-Certified:

Nicole Sweeney, Nurse Aide at Elida Middle School, effective 10-1-20, Step 11 of ParaPro salary scale
 Jacqueline Thomas, Substitute Custodian effective September 28, 2020
 Jacqueline Thomas, Custodian, effective October 12, 2020, Step 0
 Diane Brannon, Substitute Custodian effective September 30, 2020
 Diane Brannon, Custodian, effective November 2, 2020, Step 0
 Samantha Miller, Substitute Bus Driver
 Samantha Miller, Substitute Aide
 Heather Fuqua, Substitute Aide (RTA Bus Only), effective 10-1-20
 Erika Espinoza – Classified Substitute
 Michele Long, Substitute Aide and Substitute Custodian

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7. Lights and Sound Technicians

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following personnel for lights and sound technicians, as needed, at the rates as listed.

Christine Lookadoo Adam Lookadoo
 Jack Earl Dylan Bryan

\$25 per hour for outside groups
 \$20 per hour for school activity
 \$12.50 per hour for high school/college students

8. Appropriation Modifications

FUND		MODIFIED		
CLASS/NAME	FUND #/SCC	APPROPRIATIONS	ADDITIONS	APPROPRIATIONS
SPECIAL REVENUE				
Library Grant	019-9220	-----	\$2.04	\$2.04
Temple Christian	401-9220	-----	\$500.00	\$500.00
Safety Grant	499-9220	-----	\$10,114.68	\$10,114.68
IDEA B	516-9321	\$7,308.95	\$14,255.91	\$21,564.86
Expanding Opportunities Grant	572-9721	-----	\$12,324.27	\$12,324.27
THIA 2020-21	590-9221	-----	\$92,270.64	\$92,270.64
FIDUCIARY FUNDS				
MS Quiz Bowl	200-9195	\$21.70	\$500.00	\$521.70
FCCLA	200-9313	\$842.11	\$2,000.00	\$2,842.11

9. Substitute Teachers

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education employ the following substitutes who have a bachelor's degree, met Ohio Department of Education certification requirements and have on file a clear criminal background check:

David Zuber Torie McAdams
 Troy Ricker Karley Rau
 Melody Kearns Donald Wiechart
 William Brown Jennifer Triplehorn
 Cheyenne Stahr Patricia Reed
 Bailey Prichard Alan Kreidler
 Jae Whiteside Shelly Grimm
 Taylor Estrada-Guerrero

10. Volunteers

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following personnel as volunteers. Volunteering will be pending following the School Volunteer Policy guidelines.

Class I

Deb Boquist, Kids Hope

Class II

Korbin Crates, Bowling
 Tyler Pugh, Bowling

11. Sales Project Potentials

Organization: FFA
 Advisor: Chloe Metcalf
 Project: Fruit Sale
 Date: October 8, 2020 through December 4, 2020

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12. Declaring Transportation to be Impractical

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

WHEREAS, the students identified below have been determined to be residents of this school district, and eligible for transportation services; and

WHEREAS, after a careful evaluation of all available options, it has been determined that it is impractical to provide transportation for these students to their selected schools; and

WHEREAS, the following factors as identified in Revised Code 3327.02 have been considered:

1. The time and distance required to provide the transportation;
2. The number of pupils to be transported;
3. The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration;
4. Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation;
5. Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules;
6. Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available

WHEREAS, the option of offering payment-in-lieu of transportation is provided in Ohio Revised Code.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Elida Board of Education hereby approves the declaration that it is impractical to transport the students identified herein and offers the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the following students payment-in-lieu of transportation: #25223, #98575, #30026.

13. Exchange of Services with Mike Campbell Photography

Reflector, 2020-2021 edition, requests Elida Board of Education approval for an exchange of services and goods with Mike Campbell Photography, 2970 N. Grubb Rd., Delphos, OH.

The Elida High School Yearbook will print a one-half page, full-color advertisement for Mike Campbell Photography, the ad being valued at \$180.00, in exchange for professional services and goods provided to Reflector. These services and considerations will be of at least equal value as the one-half page, full-color advertisement.

14. Agreement With North Central Ohio Educational Service Center

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the agreement with North Central Ohio Educational Service Center for audiology services. This agreement is effective August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2021 (Exhibit C)

15. School Related Organization

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following organization as School Related Organization for the 2020-2021 school year:

Elida Girls Basketball Parents Association

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16. Waiver of Use of Facilities Policy

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve a waiver of policy for the use of facilities for the following:

High School Student Council on Sunday, October 25, 2020 for the use of the high school parking lot from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. for distributing dinners for their BBQ chicken dinner fundraiser.

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>		

XIII. Action Items:

1. Donation (10-20-1)

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

- Inga Poe - \$50 for masks

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. Incentive Bonus for Substitute Bus Drivers (10-20-2)

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve an incentive bonus for substitute bus drivers of \$75.00 for each 75 units of work. This does not include substitute retired drivers on the alternate substitute pay scale.

Jason Bowers 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>		

3. Approving a Change Order to Accept Alternates at the New Elementary School (10-20-3)

The Superintendent recommends approval of a change order totaling \$610,082.32 at the New Elementary School

Rationale:

1. The Elida Local Schools Board of Education (the Board) previously approved and entered into a CMR contract with Peterson Construction Company for the construction of a new elementary school.
2. An alternate list was created during the GMP to add items at a later date as funding became available.

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3. The project team would like to accept a change order to add the following alternates to the project for \$610,082.32 using project dollars and locally funded dollars:
Ceramic wall tile in main corridor, wall tile in academic corridor, ceramic wall tile in group restrooms, ceramic wall tile in single restrooms, terrazzo and additional colors in 1st floor class corridor, stage curtain and rigging, graphic vinyl wall covering, elevated platforms, scoreboards, gym divider curtain, volleyball equipment, 12" tack boards, metal storage racks, classroom bookshelves, temperature controls.
4. A board resolution is necessary to allow the superintendent to sign the change order as it is over the superintendent's signature authority.
5. The change order has been reviewed by the architect, Superintendent and Treasurer, and the OFCC Project Manager.
6. The Board wishes to approve and authorize execution of the change order for alternates at the new elementary school in the total amount of \$610,082.32.

The Board resolves as follows:

1. The change order adding alternates to the project in the total amount of \$610,082.32 is approved, subject to the approval of the OFCC.
2. The Superintendent and Treasurer are authorized to sign the change order.

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>		

XIV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – OTHER

Regina Freeman thanked and commended the teachers at Elida Elementary School in regards to the online learning for the first quarter. She especially wanted to commend Mrs. Kroeger and Mrs. Hanefeld.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Pat Schymanski moved and Jason Bowers seconded that the October 20, 2020 meeting of the Elida Board of Education be adjourned at 7:58 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