

ELIDA BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Elida High School Community Room at 7:00 p.m. June 25, 2024

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A G E N D A

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>P</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>P</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>P</u>	Mr. Point	<u>P</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>P</u>		

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. SOLAR EXPANSION PRESENTATION

- Entrust Capital Management – Kalyn Bruce gave a presentation showing a proposed addition to the current array located directly south of the Elida Middle School.

V. LEGISLATIVE LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Christoff reported on the following:

Ohio General Assembly

House Speaker **Jason Stephens** (R-Kitts Hill) replaced several chairs of House standing committees, including House Primary and Secondary Education Committee Chair Rep. **Adam Bird** (R-New Richmond). Stephens selected Rep. **Gayle Manning** (R-North Ridgeville) as the new House Primary and Secondary Education Committee chair.

Education Bills that may receive “renewed” attention in the coming weeks:

HB 147 - would make changes regarding teacher licensure revocation, teacher hiring practices and conduct unbecoming to the teaching profession. Specifically, the bill looks to close a loophole by requiring a school district, educational service center (ESC), or chartered nonpublic school to file a report with the superintendent of public instruction regarding a licensed employee who retires during a disciplinary investigation for misconduct, retires under threat of termination or nonrenewal of the employee’s contract during the investigation, and removes a licensed employee from the list of eligible substitute teachers because it has reasonably determined that the employee committed an act that is unbecoming to the teaching profession.

HB 432 - provides additional licensure pathways for career-technical educator applicants. Passed the Ohio House 84-6; moved to Senate but has not yet been assigned to a committee

HB 440 - allows services prescribed in the finalized individualized education program of a student receiving either a Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship or an Autism Scholarship to be provided remotely, specifies that remote services be provided by qualified credentialed providers in the same manner that telehealth services are provided to patients by specified health care professionals under continuing law, and expands the list of approved credentialed professionals.

SB 112 - would require that school buildings comply with certain safety standards as they pertain to protective doors.

SB 168 - is known as the education deregulation bill. The bill has received numerous Ohio House hearings in committee and has not received any amendments as of yet. SB 168 is not only an education deregulation bill but has also turned into a budget correction bill. Typically, after a budget bill passes, a budget correction bill works its way through the legislature to fix technical issues or unintended consequences. While SB 168 is not officially the budget correction bill, it did pick up several correction items while it was in the Ohio Senate. However, any changes that the Ohio House makes to SB 168 will have to be agreed to by the Ohio Senate.

SB 208 - would require a district to include an exception for military children in its open enrollment policy.

Newly introduced bills:

SB 293 – regards school policies for religious release time instruction – introduced 6/17/24
Proposes to amend section 3313.6022 of the Revised Code from school district board of education “may” adopt policies, to “shall” adopt policies.

Other State Matters

Gov. Mike DeWine announced that the 2024 sales tax holiday will take place from Tuesday, July 30, until 11:59 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 8. The governor shortened the proposed 14-day tax holiday to 10 days using a line-item veto in House Bill 33, the biennial budget, but this year's tax-free period — which is designed to help families save on supplies and clothes for the school year — will still be longer than in prior years

SBOE Budget Update - State Superintendent Paul Craft recently described the board's budget dilemma and stated that the SBOE may have to raise teacher licensure fees if the board's request for funding is not met. The Office of Budget and Management denied the board's request to appear on the June 17 Controlling Board agenda to ask for \$4.6 million to fill the SBOE's budget gap to the next Biennium. If the board doesn't have General Revenue Fund (GRF) support by July's meeting – scheduled for Monday, July 8, which is also the SBOE's next opportunity to appear on the Controlling Board agenda – the board will need to raise licensure fees. If the board instead chose to cut staff to meet the budget shortfall, Craft estimated a 50 percent reduction in licensure staff and in the Office of Professional Conduct. This would significantly impact wait time for licenses as well as investigation times within in the Office of Professional Misconduct. Craft noted that the governor's budget and the House-passed version of HB33 (biennial budget bill) included \$5 million for the SBOE that the Senate stripped out.

US Congress

S.4211 – proposes High School Voter Empowerment Act of 2024 to amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to require States to designate public high schools as voter registration agencies, to direct such schools to conduct voter registration drives for students attending such schools, to direct the Secretary of Education to make grants to reimburse such schools for the costs of conducting such voter registration drives, and for other purposes. The bill has been introduced and referred to committee.

Other Federal matters:

At least two federal court rulings have granted preliminary injunctions blocking the 2024 Title IX Final Rules that were to be effective August 1st. One of these federal court decisions has jurisdiction over Ohio.

SCOTUS – announced on 6/24/24 that the Court will take up a case from Tennessee regarding state bans on gender-affirming care for minors.

The **U.S. Department of Labor (DOL)** recently issued a final rule to revise sections of the regulations implementing the **Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)**. Generally, the FLSA requires employers to pay certain employees a federal minimum wage and overtime at a rate of one and one-half times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in a workweek. For school districts, there are several notable exemptions to the minimum wage and overtime pay requirements, including executive, administrative or professional employees, which includes teachers and certain other school administrators. To qualify under this exemption, an employee must meet certain tests regarding their job duties and be paid on a salary basis at a rate not less than \$684 per week (or \$35,568 per

year). Effective July 1, 2024, the new rule will increase the minimum salary threshold to \$844 per week (or \$43,888 per year) and it will increase again to \$1,128/week (or \$58,656 per year) on January 1, 2025. The higher pay threshold will mean that fewer employees will qualify as exempt employees unless their salaries are raised to meet the new thresholds. This may have the practical effect of expanding the number of employees entitled to overtime pay.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Semi-Annual Bullying Report for the second half of the 2023-2024 school year
Elida High School – 5, Elida Middle School – 1, Elida Elementary School – 0
(Exhibit A)
- Mr. Mengerink reported on the following:
- Addressed rumors circulating by email that the Board was adding President Biden's Title IX language to district policy. That is not the case...actually removing some old language from the policies.
 - Gave a summer school update. HS had 2 seniors meet graduation requirements and students completed 64 courses for full or partial credit. Over 2 years, it comes to 107 total courses and 5 seniors meeting graduation requirements.
 - Providing some estimated numbers for some major repairs/replacements that are needed around the district at this time.
 - Track rebuild at roughly \$500,000
 - Tennis courts – a rebuild at about \$350,000 (if there is an adequate base)
 - FH Roof replacement - \$250,000
 - Auditorium Lighting – switched over to LED – roughly \$40,000 excluding labor
 - FB Student & Band Bleachers - \$90,000
 - Sam Boyer is retiring from driver's ed. We hope to come back next month with a proposal on what the program will look like going forward.
 - Bullying Report – semi-annual report included on the agenda.

VII. TREASURER REPORT

- Mr. Kaiser reported on the following:
- Closed at \$7,398,942.04 in the General Fund
- \$481,818.29 more than this time last year
 - \$1,197,791.45 Expenses over Revenue for the month
 - \$1,652,437.72 Revenue over Expenses FYTD
- \$12,826,453.49 across all funds
- \$684,247.43 less than this time last year
 - \$2,082,252.97 Expenses over Revenue for the month
 - \$756,380.15 Revenue over Expenses FYTD.
- Interest for May- \$44,673.91
- Total FYTD \$483,961.90
 - \$248,765.51 more than this time last year

GFS billing
Will be getting get 1 % rebate from GFS, with a matching 1% from the Southwestern Ohio Purchasing Council (EPC), along with a 0.5% rebate for paying invoices within 10 days.

VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO ACTION ITEMS

Dr. Robert Neidich spoke on the confusion on whether or not Title IX language had been voted on in a previous board meeting, and what was currently being voted on. He also requested that there be access to policies that are being voted on prior to the vote.

IX. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA ACTION ITMES

Mr. Peters moved and Mr. Birks seconded to add a resolution as an action item to withdraw from the Ohio Coalition for Equity and Adequacy of School Funding.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>N</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>N</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>N</u>		

This item did not pass.

Mr. Peters read his proposed resolution during the Open Board Forum.

X. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Christoff moved and Mr. Point seconded that the Agenda for the June 25, 2024, meeting of the Elida Board of Education be adopted.

There was a discussion of when and how agenda items are added to the agenda.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>NO</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

XI. CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approve Previous Minutes

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the minutes for the Board of Education meetings on May 21, 2024. (Exhibit B)

2. Financial Reports

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

3. Resignations

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education accept the following resignations:

Certified:

Carly Stiger, Gr. 3 teacher, effective August 14, 2024
Melinda Haberman, EES Intervention Specialist, effective August 21, 2024
Christine Lookadoo, High School English, effective August 21, 2024
Michelle Steinke, High School Science, effective August 21, 2024 for retirement purposes
Sam Boyer, Driver Education, effective June 3, 2024

Non-Certified:

Marisa Kruse, Cafeteria, effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year
Carolyn Watts, Cafeteria, effective May 28, 2024
Dick Oder, Bus Driver, effective June 6, 2024

4. Job Description – Gifted Coordinator/Gifted Intervention Specialist

It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Elida Board of Education approve the Gifted Coordinator/Gifted Intervention Specialist job description.
(Exhibit D)

5. Non-Certified Contract Renewal Correction

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

Secretary

Laura Fingerle, High School Secretary, change from 2-Yr Contract (3rd) to a Continuing Contract, effective July 1, 2024

6. Seasonal Employees

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following 2024 seasonal employees:

Inside/Outside Maintenance

Steve Smith, Step 0, effective June 11, 2024
Maddox Bell, Step 0, effective June 12, 2024
Marc Troyer, Step 0, effective June 17, 2024

Technology

Brody Burtchin, Step 0, effective June 3, 2024 – Paid for by the High School Technology Internship Program

7. **Summer School Bus Driver**

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education employ the following bus driver to drive for summer school effective June 3 – 20, 2024 (Monday – Thursday). Salary is to be funded with Federal ESSER money.

As Needed:
Diane Bloom

8. **Volunteers**

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following personnel as volunteers, pending Category 1 volunteer guidelines by policy #8120:

Class I – Includes but not limited to Band Camp

Josephine Ballard	Joshua Ballard	Missy Bowers
Shawn Bowers	Heather Bracy	Darrell Bryan
Susan Bryan	Andrew Dunahay	Michael Kaye
Beverly McDaniel	Angie Ramsdail	Tim Skamfer
Robert Tomasi	Chloe Parent	Jen Parent
Tisha Kill (Nurse)	Jamie Fields	

9. **Appropriation Modifications – June 20, 2024**

FUND		MODIFIED		
<u>CLASS/NAME</u>	<u>FUND #/SCC</u>	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>ADDITIONS</u>	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>
<u>BOND RETIREMENT</u>				
Bond Retirement	002-0000	\$2,567,048.22	\$3,828.29	\$2,570,876.51
<u>SPECIAL REVENUE</u>				
Ed Foundation	029-0000	\$17,297.15	\$1,587.98	\$18,885.13
Title III-LEL	551-9224	\$19,304.75	\$6,233.61	\$25,538.36
<u>ENTERPRISE FUNDS</u>				
Lunchroom	006-0000	\$1,227,421.82	\$26,778.82	\$1,254,200.64

10. **Adoptions of Permanent Appropriations FY25**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Elida Local School District, Allen County, Ohio, that to provide for current expenses and other expenses of said Board of Education for the period beginning July 1, 2025, the following be and the same are hereby set aside and appropriated as a permanent measure for the several purposes for which expenditures are to be made during the described period and that the Treasurer, Superintendent and President of the Board are hereby directed to execute such certificates as required by Section 5705.412.O.R.C. and:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to encumber against and expend from the various funds and accounts within the limits of the appropriated amounts. (Exhibit E)

11. **Technology Purchase**

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the quotes from Bluum USA, Inc. in the amount of \$95,853.90 for the purchase of laptops. This is to be paid for using ESSER funds.
(Exhibit F)

12. **Compilation Proposal from Julian & Grube**

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the compilation proposal from Julian & Grube.
(Exhibit G)

13. **Premier Bank – Authorization Powers**

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the signer additions/changes on the change template through Premier Bank to update authorization powers.
(Exhibit H)

14. TSC – Telephone Contract

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the 5-year contract with TSC
(Exhibit I)

15. 2024-2025 Athletic Ticket Prices and Athletic Worker Wages

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the 2024-2025 athletic ticket prices and athletic worker wages.
(Exhibit J, K)

16. 6th Grade Orientation

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the proposed 6th grade orientation that will held on a date in the week of August 12, 2024.
(Exhibit L)

Mr. Christoff moved and Mr. Point seconded that the above recommendations be approved.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

XII. ACTION ITEMS

1. 2024-2025 School Fees (6-24-1)

It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Elida Board of Education approve the 2024-2025 school fees.
(Exhibit M)

Mr. Christoff moved and Mr. Birks seconded that the agenda be removed from the school fees.

Mr. Christoff motioned to have the agendas removed from the school fees because he feels they are not utilized, even by those with an IEP, and does not see the need for it.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>No</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>No</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Yes</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Yes</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Yes</u>		

Mrs. Agozzino moved and Mr. Peters seconded that the 2024-2025 school fees be approved as amended.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>NO</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>NO</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

2. 2024-2025 Extra-Curricular Pay to Participate (6-24-2)

It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Elida Board of Education approve the 2024-2025 Extra-Curricular Pay to Participate Plan as follows: (No change from last year.)

A one-time fee of \$100.00 for High School Students

A one-time fee of \$60.00 for Elida Middle Students

Band \$0

Musical \$0

High School Quiz Bowl \$0

Middle School Quiz Bowl \$0

This one-time fee allows the student to participate in as many activities as they wish for that school year.

Mrs. Agozzino moved and Mr. Peters seconded that the above recommendations be approved.

Mr. Christoff explained that he will not vote for this because more and more schools are no longer doing this, and there are other fees beyond the pay to participate fee parents are asked to pay.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>NO</u>	Mr. Point	<u>NO</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>NO</u>		

This item did not pass.

3. Resignation – OSBA Student Achievement Liaison (6-24-3)

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education accept the resignation of Jaired Birks as Student Achievement Liaison for the 2024 calendar year.

Mr. Birks moved and Mr. Peters seconded that the above recommendations be approved.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>NO</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>NO</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>NO</u>		

This item did not pass.

4. OSBA Student Achievement Liaison (6-24-4)

It is recommended that the Board appoint a delegate to be the Student Achievement Liaison. The role of the student achievement liaison will be to help the board focus on issues and actions that will improve student achievement in our district.

The responsibilities of the student achievement liaison board member will include:

- Coordinating with the superintendent and treasurer to see that there is a student achievement activity or item on each board agenda. Such items could include recognition of an achievement by a student or group, performance by a student group, planning for a district program to assist student achievement, discussion of an issue or article affecting student achievement, and similar activities.
- Distributing information and materials related to student achievement provided by OSBA.
- Informing OSBA about student achievement activities, successes and problems in our district.

This will be effective through the end of the calendar year.

_____ moved and _____ seconded the appointment of _____ as the OSBA Student Achievement Liaison Delegate.

Mr. Point moved and Mr. Christoff seconded that this item be indefinitely tabled.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>NO</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

This item was tabled.

5. **Amending Action Item 4-24-2 – Appointment of Administrative Official (6-24-5)**

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education amend action item 4-24-2 to give the superintendent the full authority to enter into contracts and emergency repairs incurred on any buildings up to \$50,000.00 during the 2024 calendar year.

*Mr. Birks questioned why this needs to be increased.
Mr. Peters questioned who wrote the resolution.*

Mr. Christoff moved and Mr. Birks seconded that the wording on this item be amended as follows:

New wording changes language from “...enter into contracts and emergency repairs...” to “...enter into contracts for emergency repairs...” All other wording remains the same.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

Mr. Christoff moved and Mr. Point seconded that the above recommendations be approved with the amended wording as follows:

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

6. **Policy Updates (6-24-6)**

Approve the revision of policies listed below:

- 1662 – Anti-Harassment (Administration)
- 2266 – Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities
- 3362 – Anti-Harassment (Certified Staff)
- 4362 – Anti-Harassment (Classified Staff)
- 5517 – Anti-Harassment (Students)

These revisions shall be updated in the electronic versions of the student handbooks for the 2024-25 school year.

(Exhibits N, O, P, Q, R)

Mr. Point moved and Mr. Peters seconded that the above recommendations be approved.

*There was discussion on whether or not Neola would support changes made to policy changes. Mr. Peters requested for the community to see the policies being voted on during the meeting, and would like them sooner than the night of the meeting.
Further discussion on Title IX language as discussed in the Superintendent’s report.*

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>NO</u>		

7. **Liability, Property & Fleet Insurance (6-24-7)**

It is recommended by the Treasurer that the Elida Board of Education accept the quote from the Stolly Insurance Group (Ohio School Plan) for liability, contents, building, property, fleet, cyber, and pollution insurance at an annual cost of \$152,212.00. Effective July 1, 2024.

(Exhibit S)

Mrs. Agozzino moved and Mr. Christoff seconded that the above recommendations be approved.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

8. Blackfish Sealcoating & Striping – High School Asphalt (6-24-8)

It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Elida Board of Education approve the quote from Blackfish Sealcoating & Striping for crack filling, sealing, and striping of the High School asphalt at a cost of \$62,789.00.
(Exhibit T)

Mrs. Agozzino moved and Mr. Christoff seconded that the above recommendations be approved.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

9. Employment (6-24-9)

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.

Administrative:

Alison Sites, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment, starting August 1, 2024, 230 days per year, 3-Year Contract, \$94,000; she is to be paid per diem for days worked June 1, 2024 – July 31, 2024 with a limit of 10 days

Certified:

Amy Wannemacher, Gifted Coordinator/Gifted Intervention Specialist
Rebecca Fett, EES Intervention Specialist, BA, Step 3, effective August 22, 2024
Sara Krick, EES Intervention Specialist, MA, Step 7, effective August 22, 2024
Samantha Tippie, Gr. 5 Teacher, MA, Step 12, effective August 22, 2024
Jeff Reprogle, EES Intervention Specialist, MA, Step 6, effective August 22, 2024
Monique Bolden-Tubbs, High School English Teacher, MA+15, Step 15, effective August 22, 2024
Danielle Rice, Gr. 5 Teacher, MA, Step 8, effective August 22, 2024

Non-Certified:

Anna Rice, EES Cafeteria Dishwasher, 2.5 hours/day, Step 0, effective August 22, 2024
Katie Cox, Part-Time Secretary at EES, Step 5, with degree, effective August 1, 2024
Jennifer Kristoff, Substitute Custodian, effective June 17, 2024

Supplemental:

Jason Snyder, Boys Freshman Football Coach

Mr. Peters moved and Mr. Birks seconded that Darren Sharp be removed from this item and added as action item #12.

Mr. Birks discussed having more information about potential hires prior to voting on them at board meetings. He would like to be able to explain to the public why he votes one way or the other on those individuals.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

Mr. Christoff moved and Mr. Point seconded that the above employment recommendations be approved.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>NO</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>NO</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

10. Cell Phone Stipend (6-24-10)

It is recommended the Media Specialist be added to the list of those approved to receive the cell phone stipend of \$40/month retroactive to January 1, 2024.

Mr. Christoff moved and Mr. Point seconded that the above recommendations be approved.

Mr. Christoff originally asked that this be moved from the consent items to the action items, and for a list of those who receive the stipend. With further context, he does not believe it needed to be moved.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>NO</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

11. 2024-2025 ACESC Contracted Services (6-24-11)

It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Elida Board of Education approve the contract with Allen County Educational Service Center for 2024-2025 Special and Alternative Education Services in the amount of \$1,505,350.00
(Exhibit U)

Mr. Christoff moved and Mrs. Agozzino seconded that the above recommendations be approved.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

12. Employment (6-24-12)

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.

Administrative
Darren Sharp, High School Principal, 228 Days, 3-Year Contract, \$100,500.00/year, Effective August 1, 2024

Mrs. Agozzino moved and Mr. Christoff seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

*Mr. Peters believes Mr. Sharp will be a good fit for the district.
Mr. Birks reiterated he would like to have more information about those being voted on to hire.*

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u>Y</u>	Mr. Peters	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Birks	<u>No</u>	Mr. Point	<u>Y</u>
Mr. Christoff	<u>Y</u>		

XIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – OTHER

- None

XIV. OPEN BOARD FORUM

Mr. Peters read a statement about why he feels that Elida School should pull out of the Ohio Coalition for Equity and Adequacy of School Funding. Mrs. Agozzino encouraged all board members to attend Capital Conference to further knowledge on both sides of this topic. Mr. Peters read the following resolution that he wanted added to the agenda:

Whereas, the Elida Local School District is currently a member of the Ohio Coalition for Equity and Adequacy of School Funding and is involved in litigation; and

Whereas, the Board of Education has carefully evaluated the objectives, strategies, and outcomes associated with our participation in this and “Vouchers Hurt Ohio” initiatives; and

Whereas, the Board recognizes its primary duty to prioritize the best interests of our students, families, and community in matters pertaining to education funding and policy;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Education of Elida Local School District:

- 1. The Elida Local School District hereby resolves to withdraw from the Ohio Coalition for Equity and Adequacy of School Funding and/or “Vouchers Hurt Ohio” effective immediately. This decision reflects the Board’s assessment that alternative strategies may better serve the district’s need and priorities.*
- 2. The Elida Local School District hereby resolves to cease any further participation as a plaintiff or defendant in this matter. The Board believes that withdrawing from this lawsuit aligns with our commitment to efficiently manage resources and focus on direct educational priorities.*
- 3. The Superintendent or designated representative shall promptly notify the Ohio Coalition for Equity and Adequacy of School Funding and all relevant parties involved in the “Vouchers Hurt Ohio” of the Board’s decision to withdraw from these initiatives.*
- 4. The board directs the administration to explore alternative avenues to advocate for equitable school funding and to address educational challenges within our district effectively*

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board of Education.

This resolution was not added to the agenda and was not passed.

There was also discussion on having the agenda and exhibits available prior to the board meeting to help prevent anyone from being blindsided.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education enter into executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G) at 9:41 p.m. for the following reason(s):

- ☐ To consider the:
 - ☐ Appointment of a public employee or official
 - ☐ Employment of a public employee or official
 - ☐ Dismissal of a public employee or official
 - ☐ Discipline of a public employee or official
 - ☐ Promotion of a public employee or official
 - ☐ Demotion of a public employee or official
 - ☐ Compensation of a public employee or official
- ☐ To consider the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee or regulated individual, (unless the public employee, official, licensee or regulated individual requests a public hearing).
- ☐ To consider the purchase of property for public purposes or the sale of property at competitive bidding;
- ☐ Conference with the Board’s attorney concerning disputes involving the Board that are the subject of pending or imminent court action;

- X Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment;
- Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes;
- Details relative to the security arrangements and emergency response protocols for the District where disclosure of the matters discussed could reasonably be expected to jeopardize the security of the district

Executive Session ended at 10:27 p.m.

Mr. Peters moved and Mr. Point seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u> Y </u>	Mr. Peters	<u> Y </u>
Mr. Birks	<u> Y </u>	Mr. Point	<u> Y </u>
Mr. Christoff	<u> Y </u>		

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Christoff moved and Mr. Point seconded that the June 25, 2024 meeting of the Elida Board of Education be adjourned at 10:28 P.M.

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

Mrs. Agozzino	<u> Y </u>	Mr. Peters	<u> Y </u>
Mr. Birks	<u> Y </u>	Mr. Point	<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