

**STRONGSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OCTOBER 7 2021  
REGULAR MEETING**

The Regular Meeting of the Strongsville Board of Education Work Session and any other items germane to the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 7, 2021, at the **Administration Building, Meeting Room, 18199 Cook Avenue, Strongsville, Ohio**, by President, Richard O. Micko.

All members of the Board and media were notified of this meeting in compliance with Section 121.22 O.R.C., effective November 28, 1975.

The following Board Members answered Roll Call: Mrs. Bissell, Mrs. Buckner-Sallee, Mrs. Housum, Mr. Krupinski, and Mr. Micko.

Others present were: Mr. George Anagnostou, Treasurer; Ms. Jenni Pelko, Assistant Superintendent; Mr. Dave Binkley, Director of Technology; and Ms. Erin Green, Director of Curriculum. Dr. Cameron Ryba, Superintendent, was not in attendance.

This meeting was videotaped and is part of the official minutes.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**DISTRICT GOALS**

Student Achievement is the District's number one goal and is balanced against Financial Prudence. Helping with both goals is Community Engagement.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Kim MacGregor Carver, Mr. Kevin Hantak, Ms. Jess Cozza, and Ms. Jamie Lampshire all spoke asking the District to mandate the wearing of masks. They shared their reasons for the request along with some data.

Mr. Micko explained the reason for the different layout of seating for the work sessions. Work sessions are a time given to the Board and Administration to work through issues. The goal is to allow the Board, Administration, and Team Members to have detailed conversations on any specific topic as needed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

A. Discussion Item

1. FY2021-2022 Permanent Appropriations Presentation

The Annual Budget and Five-Forecast was approved at the Special Meeting held on September 23, 2021. By law, the budget must be presented to the State by September 30<sup>th</sup>. As that meeting was not recorded, Mr. Anagnostou is presenting the budget forecast this evening. The Forecast doesn't need to be approved and filed with the Ohio Department of Education until November. In November, Mr. Anagnostou will present an updated forecast based on trends at that time.

The District has a renewal levy on the ballot. Mr. Anagnostou shared two versions of the forecast, one with the passage of the renewal levy and the second version with the levy not passing. If the levies continue, the District will have a sustainable future through the year 2026.

Mr. Anagnostou answered questions.

## TREASURER'S REPORT (continued)

### A. Discussion Item (continued)

#### 1. FY2021-2022 Permanent Appropriations Presentation (continued)

Mr. Micko reiterated that if the levy is renewed, the District will be financially stable beyond the 2025/2026 school year.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

### A. SUPERINTENDENT

#### 1. Presentation – Science of Reading, LETRS Training, and Elementary Curriculum

In Dr. Ryba's absence, Ms. Jenni Pelko presented the Superintendent's Report. One of the initiatives under the Board's goal of Academic Achievement is how the District is transforming teaching instruction for reading to students at the elementary level. Ms. Pelko introduced Mr. Steve Owens, Elementary Literacy Coach; Ms. Amy Pinney, Supervisor of Elementary Curriculum; and Ms. Erin Green, Director of Curriculum who shared a presentation on what the District is doing with elementary reading instruction.

Ms. Green shared an introduction to LETRS Training. Four years ago, the District received a \$1.2 million Striving Readers grant that has been used to hire three Elementary Literacy Coaches.

Mr. Owens spoke on LETRS Training K-3.

Ms. Pinney shared information on ELA Standards and Mapping PK-5.

Questions were asked and answered.

### B. HUMAN RESOURCES

#### 1. Settlement Agreement

**21-10-01** Moved by Mrs. Housum that the Board of Education enters into a settlement agreement, the terms of which have been reduced to writing and provided to the Board, seconded by Mr. Krupinski and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Mrs. Housum, yes; Mr. Krupinski, yes; Mrs. Bissell, yes;  
Mrs. Buckner-Sallee, yes; Mr. Micko, yes.  
Motion carried 5-0

## BOARD OF EDUCATION / OTHER

Ms. Pelko shared a couple updates. There is no school for students tomorrow and this weekend is Homecoming.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**21-10-02** Moved by Mrs. Housum to consider the employment of a public employee or official, to consider the discipline of a public employee or official, to review negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment, and litigation, seconded by Mr. Krupinski and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Mrs. Housum, yes; Mr. Krupinski, yes; Mrs. Bissell, yes;  
Mrs. Buckner-Sallee, yes; Mr. Micko, yes.  
Motion carried 5-0

Entered into Executive Session at 9:30 p.m.

Resumed Public Session at 10:24 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**21-10-03** Moved by Mrs. Housum to adjourn the Strongsville Board of Education Regular Work Session, seconded by Mr. Krupinski and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Mrs. Housum, yes; Mr. Krupinski, yes; Mrs. Bissell, yes;  
Mrs. Buckner-Sallee, yes; Mr. Micko, yes.  
Motion carried 5-0

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

  
Richard O. Micko, President

  
George K. Anagnostou, Treasurer