

Strasburg-Franklin Local Board of Education Meeting

Organizational Meeting - Minutes

January 13, 2021 6:15 P.M.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING Opening Time 6:14 P.M.

- A. Call Meeting to Order
- B. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Oath of Office (Oath of office will be administered by Amber Shaeffer, Treasurer)

2021-046 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mrs. Bitikofer made a motion to nominate Mr. Harvey for Board President with Mr. Donato seconding the motion. Motion to close nomination. At roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2021-047

Mr. Donato made a motion to nominate Mrs. Bitikofer as Vice President with Mr. Harvey seconding the motion. Motion to close nomination. At roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2021-048

Mrs. Bitikofer made a motion to approve Wes Hostetler for Buckeye Career Center Representative for school years 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023. Mrs. Flickinger seconded the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2021-049 NEW BUSINESS/CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Burkett made a motion to set the regular monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 P.M. Mrs. Flickinger seconded the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2021-050 Ms. Burkett made a motion to approve the establishment of a Service Fund, as provided by O.R.C. 3315.15, in the amount of \$5,000 to pay expenses actually incurred by Board of Education members or their official representatives in the performance of their duties. Mr. Donato seconded the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.
Nays: None

Motion Carried

2021-051 Mrs. Bitikofer made a motion to establish the board member compensation at the rate of \$70 per meeting up to 15 meetings per year. Ms. Burkett seconded the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.
Nays: None

Motion Carried

2021-052 Annual Business Resolutions

Ms. Burkett made a motion to approve the following general resolutions for the year 2021, as listed:

The Strasburg-Franklin Local Schools Board of Education approves the following general resolutions for the year 2021, as listed:

1. Authorize the Treasurer to secure advances from the County Auditor when funds are available and payable to the school district.
2. Authorize the Treasurer to invest interim funds at the most productive interest rate whenever interim funds are available.
3. Authorize the Treasurer to pay bills within the limits of the appropriation resolution as bills are received and when the merchandise has been received in good condition or services have been performed in an acceptable manner.
4. Authorize the Treasurer to make modifications to appropriations and to make fund transfers or advances when necessary. A list of these changes is to be given to the Board at the regular monthly meeting immediately following the transfers or advances.
5. Authorize the Treasurer to act as custodian of the district safety deposit box.
6. Authorize the Board President and Treasurer to borrow money, if needed.
7. Authorize the Superintendent to employ certificated or non-certificated personnel prior to approval by the Board when such employment is required to maintain continuity of the educational program. Employment shall be presented and recommended for Board approval at the next Regular Meeting.
8. Authorize the Superintendent to serve as purchasing agent for the school district.
9. Authorize the Superintendent to act for the Board on matters pertaining to surplus property procured and federal grants.
10. Authorize the Superintendent to approve attendance at professional meetings for all school district personnel.
11. Authorize the Superintendent to approve the attendance of all Board of Education members at official meetings within the state.
12. Authorize the Superintendent to employ substitute teachers approved by the Stark County Educational Service Center.
13. Authorize the Superintendent to employ tutors for home instruction at the current hourly rate who are on the Stark County substitute list or who are certificated/license staff members of our school district.
14. Authorize the Superintendent to select and employ legal counsel and to initiate legal action to protect and/or defend the interests of the Board/District. Such actions may include but are not

limited to Appeals of tax issues, workers' and unemployment compensation, litigation and actions before administrative agencies.

15. Authorize the Superintendent to serve as Civil Rights Coordinator.
16. Authorization for the Superintendent and treasurer to travel within the state on school business
17. The Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to sign contracts as an official agent of the Board.
18. Designate The Times Reporter as the official newspaper for the school district.
19. Designate the Superintendent and the President of the Board of Education as the official spokespersons for the school district.
20. The Board of Education designates the treasurer to attend the public records training on behalf of the elected officials.
21. Authorize the Treasurer to establish a fee of \$.10 per copy charged to individuals requesting copies of the schedule of meetings, agenda, or notice of individual meetings. [RC 121.22(F)]
22. Authorize providing complimentary passes and waiving payment of entrance fees for all district employees (with their staff ID badge) and senior citizens to district-sponsored events, concerts, programs, and all athletic functions. **(Suspended for the 2020-2021 school year)**

Mrs. Bitikofer seconded the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2021-053 Committee Appointments—Board of Education President

Ms. Burkett made a motion to approve the following Committee Appointments:

Committee	Current	Assigned
<i>Athletic Representative</i>	Stacy Bitikofer	Stacy Bitikofer
<i>Policy (2)</i>	Veronica Spidell Robyn Burkett	Robyn Burkett Diana Flickinger
<i>OSBA Legislative Liaison (1)</i>	Kevin Harvey	Kevin Harvey
<i>Buckeye Career Center (Voted Upon)</i>	Wes Hostetler	Wes Hostetler
<i>OSBA Capital Conference Delegate (1)</i>	Kevin Harvey	Kevin Harvey
<i>OSBA Capital Conference Alternate Delegate (1)</i>	Robyn Burkett	Robyn Burkett
<i>Negotiations</i>	Dan Donato	Dan Donato
<i>Calendar (2)</i>	Veronica Spidell	Dan Donato

	Dan Donato	Diana Flickinger
<i>Technology</i>	Dan Donato	Dan Donato
<i>District Goals – DLT District Leadership Team</i>	Stacy Bitikofer	Stacy Bitikofer
<i>Student Achievement</i>	Kevin Harvey	Kevin Harvey
<i>Park-Village Liason</i>	Robyn Burkett Veronica Spidell	Robyn Burkett Diana Flickinger
<i>Tiger Foundation Rep</i>	Dan Donato	Dan Donato

Mrs. Bitikofer seconded the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.
Nays: None

Motion Carried

2021-054 **Adjournment:** Time Out: 6:27 P.M.

Ms. Burkett made a motion to adjourn the Organizational meeting with Mrs. Flickinger seconding the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.
Nays: None

Motion Carried

Kevin P. Harvey
President

2/17/2021 [Signature]
Treasurer

Strasburg-Franklin Local Board of Education Meeting

Regular Board Meeting - Minutes

January 13, 2021 – 6:30 P.M.

OPENING

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda item.

2021-055 Call Meeting to Order Time: 6:30 P.M.

- A. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Additions to agenda - None
- D. **Ms. Burkett made a motion to adopt the agenda with Mrs. Bitikofer seconding the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.
Nays: None**

Motion Carried

II. Board Recognition

Recognition of Students for the month of December: Middle School...Kody Chewning
High School...Josie Lautenschleger

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (BYLAW 0169.1) The Board of Education recognizes the value to school governance of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest. The Board offers public participation to members of the public in accordance with the procedures below. The Board applies these procedures to all speakers, and does not discriminate based on the identity of the speaker, content of the speech, or viewpoint of the speaker.

- Public participation shall be permitted as indicated on the order of business
- Anyone having a legitimate interest in the actions of the Board may participate during the public portion of a meeting
- Attendees must register their intention to participate in the public portion of the meeting upon their arrival at the meeting.
- Participants must be recognized by the presiding officer and will be requested to preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address, and group affiliation, if and when appropriate.
- Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three (3) minutes duration, unless extended by the presiding officer.
- The portion of the meeting during which the participation of the public is invited shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes, unless extended by a vote of the Board.
- No participant may speak more than once on the same topic unless all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.
- All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually.

2021-056 New Business

The Treasurer recommends the following items for the approval by resolution of the Strasburg-Franklin Board of Education:

Mr. Donato made a motion to approve the Treasurer's recommendations:

1. Approve the minutes for the December 16, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.
2. The Treasurer is requesting approval of the December 2020 financial report with expenditures totaling \$558,214.78. Investment balances at December 31st were \$122,820.58 in Unified Bank Money Market and \$5,401,851.17 in STAR Ohio. The balance in the Fred A. and Dorothy J.Yenny Scholarship fund was \$18,802.71. The Board also owns the following investments:

Type Institution Amount

CD-6456 Strasburg Savings \$208,479.26

3. Then and Now Certificates exceeding \$3000.00

PO #2021434 – dated 12/7/20; Invoice #TREA16195 dated 12/2/20
Amount - \$10,919.79 to Stark County ESC

PO #2021443 – dated 12/29/20; Invoice #TREA16271 dated 12/14/20;
Amount - \$1,648.12 to Stark County ESC and Invoice #TREA16301
dated 12/14/2020; Amount - \$25,628.68 to Stark County ESC.

4. Decrease the mileage reimbursement rate to \$.56 cents per mile effective January 1, 2021, in compliance with the IRS.

Mrs. Flickinger seconded the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.

Nays: None

Motion Carried

2021-057 The Superintendent recommends the following items for approval for the Strasburg-Franklin Board of Education:

Ms. Burkett made a motion to approve the following Superintendent recommendations:

1. Approve the MOU between Strasburg-Franklin LSD and Kent State University for College Credit Plus (CCP).
2. Accept the donation of 2 tanks of diesel fuel for the school buses from Josh McKenzie/Kent Company.
3. OSBA LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND

Whereas, the Strasburg-Franklin Board of Education wishes to support the efforts of other boards of education to obtain favorable judicial decisions and,

Whereas, the Ohio School Boards Association Legal Assistance Fund has been established for this purpose,

Therefore, the Board hereby resolves to participate in the OSBA LAF for Calendar year 2020 and authorizes the treasurer to pay the LAF \$250.00.

4. Approve the 2020 annual dues for OSBA (Ohio School Boards Assn.) at a cost of \$3511.00.
5. Supplemental Positions for the 2020-2021 School Year.

Class Advisors

Lindsey Tidrick

Paige Martin

Mary Sue Fierbaugh

Dave Jones

Jr. Class Prom Advisor

National Honor Society

Foreign Language Club

Scholastic Challenge Advisor

Mrs. Bitikofer seconded the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.

Nays: None

Motion Carried

V. Board of Education Committee Reports

- Buckeye Career Center – Update provided by Board President
- Legislative Liaison – Mr. Harvey

VI. Administrative Team Reports

Mrs. Brown, Superintendent

Mr. Hall, Middle/High School Principal

Mrs. Doerschuk, Elementary School Principal

2021-058 **ADJOURNMENT**

TIME OUT: 7:29 P.M.

Ms. Burkett made a motion to adjourn with Mr. Donato seconding the motion. Present at roll call: Ms. Burkett, Mr. Donato, Mrs. Bitikofer, Mrs. Flickinger and Mr. Harvey.

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Next Board Meeting will be: February 17, 2021 at 6:30PM

Kevin P. Harvey
President

2/17/2021 [Signature]
Treasurer