

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 16, 2020**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 16, 2020, virtually via Zoom.

President John Depoy called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

A moment of silent reflection was held and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Absent	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Present
Mr. Mick Davenport	Present	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Present
Mr. John Depoy	Present	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Present
Mr. Gary Dicken	Present	Mr. Mony Wood	Present
Ms. Connie Dugan	Present		

Ex-officio Members: Mr. Covert Absent Mr. Grippa Absent

20-136. Mr. Wood moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting held on November 18, 2020. Mr. Koehler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Absent	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Public Participation

None.

Mr. John Bailey arrived.

Head Start Reports and Recommendations

20-137. Mr. Dicken moved to approve the following Head Start Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

- A. Approve Georgia Chapman as a Part-Time Early Head Start Teacher Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Academy, twelve-month position

at \$12.05 per hour, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with an effective date of January 4, 2021.

B. Monthly Financial Reports.

Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Heather Wolfe, Superintendent, reported Dawn Hall, Head Start Director, received an email from ODE to inform her that she will be recognized as Exemplar for the work with Gallia County Schools which supports the new ODE Whole Child Framework. Ms. Hall will be interviewed by ODE Superintendent Paolo DeMaria to discuss the history of Head Start and how it's original focus was meeting the physical, social, and emotional needs of children which then grew to add academics. ODE is coming from a preschool focus of academics and has increasingly included the physical, social, and emotional needs as well. The interview will be televised.

Ms. Wolfe also reported Head Start will be purchasing a new dishwasher for use at the Bradbury location. Additionally, Head Start is getting quotes to convert the storage room in the back of the Bradbury location to a bathroom, which will be paid for by Head Start COVID-19 funds.

State Support Team Region 16 Director's Reports and Recommendations

20-138. Mr. Wheeler moved to approve the following State Support Team Reports and Recommendations as presented by Angie Gibbs, SST Director:

- A. Approve a One Year (2020-2021) Twelve Month Contract to Keith McCarroll as a Literacy Consultant, at Step 22 on the Administrators / Masters Degree Salary Schedule (\$70,834.92 (prorated) based on forthcoming verification of experience) with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need with an effective date of January 4, 2021.

Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Angie Gibbs, SST Director, provided a mid-year update to the Governing Board. SST has worked over 1,500 hours with districts between August 2020 through December 1, 2020 through contacts, professional development and technical support. Focus has been placed on PBIS in which the number of districts participating has grown from zero at the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year to 14 districts as of December 2020. Additionally, Ms. Gibbs reported that approximately one-third of all contacts are occurring in-person.

Executive Session

None.

Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations

20-139. Mr. Bailey moved to approve the following Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Teresa McGinnis, Treasurer:

- A. Approve Bills paid in November 2020.
- B. Approve Monthly Financial Report for November 2020.
- C. Approve changes to Permanent Appropriations.
- D. Approve the following terms of repayment for the loan from the ESC made to Head Start for the start-up of the Little Storm Early Learning Academy:
 - 1. Little Storm will repay the base amount of \$189,064.51 as able. Little Storm will not carry a balance in the banking account (unless one is needed to avoid fees) until the ESC has been fully reimbursed.

2. Little Storm may repay an excess amount over the base amount as agreed upon by the Governing Board and the Head Start Director, in the same manner as the base amount is repaid.

Mr. Davenport seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Teresa McGinnis, Treasurer, reported Dawn Hall, Head Start Director, agrees that the base amount of \$189,064.51 is due to the ESC by Head Start and has agreed to the terms of repayment recommended to the Governing Board. An additional amount of \$64,465.20 was charged to Head Start in error. This amount should have been charged to the applicable grant years. Ms. Hall will discuss the additional amount with the Governing Board at a later time to determine the amount to be repaid by Head Start.

Ms. McGinnis also reported that the ESC has hired School Insurance Consultants, LLC to review our property insurance coverage.

Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations

Prior to the Superintendent's Reports, Hannah Killbride, Career Pathways Director, provided an update to the Governing Board that Career Pathways has received the Youth Resiliency Grant in the amount of \$20,000. With the grant, Career Pathways will purchase a Virtual Job Shadowing program, provide students with bookbags containing various toiletries and start a Professional Clothing Closet.

20-140. Mr. Wood moved to approve the following Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

- A. Approve the updates to the Substitute Teacher and Substitute Aide Lists for Athens, Meigs and Perry Counties.

- B. Approve a Twelve-Month Contract (December 14, 2020 - December 10, 2021) to Hanna Vorisek as the Family and Community Partnership Liaison, salary to be \$48,000.00, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, being effective December 14, 2020.
- C. Approve Billie Frank as the REACH Tutor for the remainder of the 2020-2021 School Year, 29 hours per week, \$20.00 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need with an effective date of January 4, 2021.

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- D. Accept the resignation of Kimberly McKendree, Paraprofessional, effective the end of her 2019-2020 Contract.

Ms. Dugan seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Legislative Report

Mr. Wheeler reported that a Senate Bill is currently in consideration that will provide more guidance as to how Treasurers are to transition the position over to his/her successor. There is no current legislation to provide guidance on how schools are to deal with testing and graduation in the time of COVID-19.

Tri-County Career Center Report

Mr. Dicken reported that the holiday break will be extended a week in exchange for days later throughout the year.

Mr. Depoy reported that Athens City School District and Trimble are going full remote. Additionally, the Board approved various contracts for Ms. Connie Dugan and Mr. Steven Wheeler.

Old Business

None

New Business.

20-141. Mr. Wood moved to accept the nomination of Mr. Gary Dicken by Mr. John Depoy, Board President, to serve as President Pro-Tem for the January 2021 Organizational Meeting.

Mr. Depoy seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Abstain	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

20-142. Mr. Bailey moved to accept setting the Board Member and Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center Staff mileage rate at the maximum allowable by law for the 2021 calendar year.

Mr. Wheeler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

The Organizational and Regular Athens-Meigs ESC Governing Board Meetings are scheduled to be held on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., at the Athens-Meigs ESC, 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

20-143. Time 7:01 p.m. Mr. Wheeler moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Davenport seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

President

Treasurer