
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2015 6:00 P.M.
BERKSHIRE BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
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* 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.

In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board shall provide a period for public participation at every public meeting of the Board and publish rules to govern such participation. These rules are available at each Board meeting. Anyone desiring to speak is asked to make this request in advance. Participants must be recognized by the presiding officer. Comments shall be directed to the presiding officer; not to Board members individually. Board Bylaw 0169.1



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call: Mr. Koster, Mr. Manfredi, Mr. Honkala, Mrs. Brown, Mr. Imhof-present

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Honkala to approve the current agenda and the minutes from August 17, 2015, regular board meeting.

Roll Call: All Ayes

Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report:

Expenditures and Interest Earned: Let the records reflect that – The Treasurer has submitted a statement to the board and to the Superintendent showing the revenues and receipts from whatever sources derived, the various appropriations made by the board, the expenditures and disbursements therefrom, the purposes thereof, and the balances remaining in each fund. The financial statements for the period ending **August, 2015** submitted subject to audit and include: Financial Summary, Appropriations and Revenue Summary, Check Register Recap, and Bank Reconciliation per *ORC 3313.29*.

New Funds

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the creation of the following new funds:

Fund 007-9015	Frances Leighton Scholarship Fund
Fund 007-9016	Alumni Scholarship Fund
Fund 007-9017	Sean Landrus Scholarship Fund
Fund 007-9018	Frances Leighton Trust Fund
Fund 018-9202	Ledgemont Elementary Principals Fund
Fund 020-9002	Latchkey Fund
Fund 022-9000	Agency – High School
Fund 034	Classroom Facility Maintenance
Fund 200-9015	Alumni Fund
Fund 506-0000	Race To The Top

Roll Call: All Ayes

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Permanent Appropriations:

Motion made Mr. Koster, seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the following Permanent Appropriations:

General Fund 15,800,000.00

Special Revenue Funds:

Principals Fund	30,000.00
Misc. Grants	15,124.56
Termination Fund	104,635.44
Athletics	91,685.00
EMIS	4,000.00
One Net	3,600.00
Title VIB IDEA Part B	276,417.67
Title I	335,611.71
Title IIA – Improving Teacher Quality	58,900.29

Capital Projects Fund:

Permanent Improvement	400,000.00
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Enterprise Funds:

Food Service	351,000.00
Uniform School Supplies	45,500.00
Latchkey	12,700.00

Internal Service Funds

Rotary	11,500.00
Elementary Fund	2,500.00
Self Insurance Fund	375,000.00

Fiduciary Fund:

Student Activities Fund	85,000.00
Longo Scholarship	3,000.00

Total Permanent Appropriations	18,006,174.67
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Accept Cash Balances from Ledgemont:

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Koster to accept the following Cash Balances from Ledgemont Local Schools:

Fund	Description	Final Balance To Transfer	Deposited To Berkshire Account
001	General	403,796.08	001
001-9194	General Bus	4,357.40	001-9194
006	Lunchroom	351.10	006
007-0000	Frances Spath Leighton	10,040.12	007-9015
007-9000	Alumni Scholarship Fund	31,463.82	007-9016
007-9005	Sean Landrus Scholarship	2,645.00	007-9017
007-9114	Frances Spath Leighton Te	3,041.48	007-9018
009	Uniform Supply	1,134.14	009
018	Principal - Elementary	12,426.84	018-9202
019	A-Tech Mini Career Grant	31.66	019
020	Latchkey	7,755.25	020-9002
022-0000	District Agency - HS	89.01	022-9000
022-9001	District Agency - Elementary	1,242.56	022
034	Classroom Fac. Maint	2,459.43	034
200-9012	Alumni Fund	4,749.81	200-9015
200-907A	Ledger I (Newspaper)	1,919.03	200-9242
200-909A	National Honor Society	110.55	200-9240
200-910B	Jr. High Student Council	94.06	200-9241
200-915A	High School Student Council	34.39	200-9256
200-960A	Class of 2010	717.80	200-9324
200-962A	Class of 2012	1,263.74	200-9324
200-964A	Class of 2013	809.32	200-9324
200-965A	Class of 2014	10.29	200-9324
200-966A	Class of 2015	146.50	200-9324
200-967A	Class of 2016	2,395.08	200-9324
300-900A	Athletic Fund	116.00	300
300-901A	Cheerleaders	642.96	300-9012
300-904A	Marching Band	268.07	200-9205
466-9015	Straight A Grant - Stem G	20,218.88	466-9215
506-9013	Race to the Top FY13	34.47	506-0000
506-9014	Race to the Top FY14	4,253.04	506-0000
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Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Vocational Report

None

Committee Reports

Mr. Delong mentioned the civic engagement committee, which involves JFS and United Way will be meeting on October 7. A tech committee is also in the process of being formed. There will be a safety committee meeting with Thompson Police Department and the Burton Police Department to discuss emergency procedures between the buildings. Mr. Koster added he wanted to make sure procedures were the same.

Presentation of the 2015/2016 School Lunch Compliance Report

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Certified:

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Imhof to suspend the Administrative contract for Jennifer Cantanese due to consolidation of schools with Ledgemont and Berkshire in accordance with Board Policy 1540.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Honkala, seconded by Mr. Manfredi to approve a one limited contract for Mathew Morbeto, 4th Grade Math Teacher, Level III, Step 2.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Honkala to approve salary step increases to the following staff. All requirements have been met.

- Cheryl Rubino from Level IV, Step 14 to Level V, Step 15
- Lisa Starr from Level V, Step 15 to Level VI, Step 15
- Kathleen Ritts from Level III, Step 8 to Level IV, Step 8

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

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Motion made by Mr. Honkala, seconded by Mr. Koster to approve Sarah Colwill to be a Permanent Substitute Teacher at Burton Elementary, \$90.00 per day, with no benefits, effective August 24, 2015.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Koster, seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve Sarah Dzioba as a substitute guidance counselor for Berkshire Jr./Sr. High School at the regular substitute rate effective August 11, 2015.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Koster to accept the resignation of Kelsey Kimmel as Eight Grade Volleyball Coach.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Koster seconded by Mr. Honkala to approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2015/2016 school year:

- Tanya Klingman Mentor
- Carol Leikala Mentor
- Richard Guthrie Mentor
- Tracy Rea Mentor (Shannon Moore)
- Tracy Rea Mentor (Brian Kover)
- Sarah O'Conner Mentor
- James Lester Mentor (Dominic Gattozzi)
- Taylor Simons Eighth Grade Volleyball Coach
- Kelsey Kimmel Freshman Volleyball Coach
- Brittany Bakalar Strength Training Advisor – 1st Semester

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Koster, seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the Agreement between the Berkshire Local School District and the Berkshire Education Association, with the exception of the additional index for PHD, for the period of July 1, 2015-June 30, 2018.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

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Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Honkala to approve the following medication administration staff to dispense medication for the 2015/2016 school year:

- Berkshire Jr./Sr. High School – Brian Hiscox
- Ledgesmont Elementary – Joe Randall

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Classified:

Motion made by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Honkala to approve Sarah Sidley as an assistant for the Latchkey Program at Ledgesmont Elementary, effective August 28, 2015 at \$9.50 per hour.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Imhof, seconded by Mr. Manfredi to approve the following supplementals:

- Jonathan DiFiore Asst. Girls Soccer
- Phillip Hauser Freshman Football Coach
- Dallas Provost Asst. Boys Soccer
- Paul Reed Boys Soccer Coach
- Calvin Brady Head Custodian Ledgesmont Elementary

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Honkala to approve a the following band volunteers:

- Mary Mizner
- Kathleen Parrish

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Business:

Motion made by Mr. Honkala, seconded by Mr. Koster to approve the Resolution of Waiver from the Ohio Department of Education regarding Career-Technical Education requirements under ORC 3313.0(A).

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Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the following **for transportation purposes only** for the 2015/2016 school year:

- Release of Berkshire Local School students to Cardinal Schools
- Release of Berkshire Local School students to Kenston Schools
- Release of Berkshire Local School students to Newbury Schools
- Acceptance of Newbury Schools students to Berkshire Local Schools
- Acceptance of Cardinal Schools students to Berkshire Local Schools

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Imhof to approve the contract with O'Reilly Auctions for the sale of personnel property located at 16700 Thompson Road.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Honkala, seconded by Mr. Koster to approve the contract with the Geauga County Educational Service Center for fiscal year 2016 for \$319,956.58.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Manfredi to approve a contract with Timothy O'Keefe to provide for SF14 and SF14-H billing for fiscal year 2016.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Koster to approve the following First Reading for the following NEOLA Policies New/Revisions/Deletions:

1630.01	2260.02	2461	3113
3430.01	4113	4430.01	5517.02
7510	8420	8452	8500
9211			

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Old Business

None

New Business

None

Open Public Participation

Barb Raikes asked the Board why the Ledgemont Elementary is now the Ledgemont Badger. Mrs. Smith (Ledgemont Elementary principal) informed the her that it was a student lead decision that the Student Council ran. Bard was concerned as all the uniforms all say Ledgemont Redskins. Mr. Delong mentioned that he told Sandy to let the students decide.

Eric Higgs asked the Board since Cardinal voted to not move forward with the possible consolidation with Kent Geauga where Berkshire stands with that. Mr. Koster mentioned that there is one or two board members from Cardinal that approached him and still want to see this consolidation happen. Tracy Jemison and Jarod Tudor will be traveling to Columbus for a meeting with Chair Bill Hayes concerning the legislation posed for a possible consolidation. On Thursday, there will be a follow-up meeting at Kent to discuss moving forward. Berkshire is very in favor of the consolidation.

Adjournment

Motion made by Mr. Honkala, seconded by Mr. Manfredi, to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

Roll Call: All Ayes

Motion Carried.

Mr. Jim Koster President

Mrs. Beth McCaffrey Recorder of Proceedings