
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

**MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2014 6:00 P.M.
BERKSHIRE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BERKSHIRE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

* 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, Mrs. Brown, Mr. Miller – present
Mr. Honkala - absent

Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Koster to approve the current agenda and the minutes from the July 14, 2014, regular board meeting.

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
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 **July, 2014** submitted subject to audit and include: Financial Summary, Appropriations and Revenue Summary, Check Register Recap, and Bank Reconciliation per *ORC 3313.29*.

Ohio Schools Council:

Motion made by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Manfredi to approve participation in the following Ohio Schools Council programs:

Ohio Schools Council	\$ 368.30
Cooperative Purchasing Program	\$ 400.00
School Bus Purchasing Program	\$ 325.00
Legal Hotline	\$ 2000.00

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
Motion Carried.

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Bus Lease

Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Koster to approve the lease for one 72 passenger bus at 2.62% for five years.

Roll Call: All Ayes

One Absent

Motion Carried.

Then and Now Encumbrance

Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Manfredi to approve the Then and Now Encumbrance for \$6,891.07 to Mentor Board of Education

Roll Call: All Ayes

One Absent

Motion Carried.

Vocational Report

Mr. Miller reported that they are excited about the upcoming collaboration on the \$5.9 million dollar Straight A Grant.

Committee Reports

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Personnel:

A. Certified:

Personnel:

Certified:

Motion made by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Koster to approve removing Amberlee Mullet from the RIF List and awarding her a one year Limited Contract for the position of a Title I Teacher, Level I, Step 1, for the 2014/2015 school year with salary and benefits per negotiated Contract.

Roll Call: All Ayes

One Absent

Motion Carried.

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Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve a one year Limited Contract to the following with salary and benefits per negotiated Contract:

- Tracy Lobins Science Teacher, Level IV, Step 2
- Jennifer Wadsworth Title I Teacher, Level V, Step 2

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Koster, seconded by Mr. Manfredi to approve the following certified supplemental for the 2014/2015 school year:

- Laurie Lamb Mentor
- Jim Lester Mentor
- Michelle Paluf AC4P/Project Love Advisor
- Mary Jo Maxwell Elementary Student Council Advisor

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Miller to award a stipend of \$250.00 plus expenses, not to exceed \$125.00, to Laurie Lamb, art instructor, for setting up and supervision of the Berkshire Schools' booth in the Education Building at the Great Gauga County Fair for 2014, with the stipulation all receipts must be turned in by October 1st to be reimbursed.

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
Motion Carried.

Classified:

Motion made by Mr. Koster, seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the following volunteers, effective with the 2014/2015 school year:

- Dan Galdun Tutor
- David Kendall Cross Country Team

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
Motion Carried.

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Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Manfredi to approve the following classified supplemental contracts for the 14/15 school year (pending sufficient number of students participating):

- Matthew JohnTony Asst. Band Director
- Nick Burzanko Asst. Faculty Manager
- Craig Voorhees Asst. Golf Coach
- Jon Skolmutch Boys' Cross Country Coach-25%
- Rebecca Goff Freshman Volleyball Coach-50%

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
Motion Carried.

Motion made by Mr. Koster, seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the following classified substitute for the Berkshire Schools, effective with the 14/15 school year:

- Kerry Kish

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
Motion Carried.

Business:

Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Koster to approve the authorization of Amy Hochschild and Cindy Metzger to disperse medication for the 2014/2015 school year.

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
Motion Carried.

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

0150 (0151.1)	1630.01	1662	3362	3419.01	3419.02
3430.01	4362	4419.01	4430.01	5111	5517
5517.01	5630.01	5630.01	6144	6151	7217
7510.01	8510				

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
Motion Carried.

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Old Business

None

New Business

Mr. DeLong announced that the students from Virginia Tech will be coming to the school on Thursday to work with the students.

He reported on his and Miss. Timmons' work with the GGP concerning the upcoming Career Days as well as the Straight A Grant awards of \$5.9 million and \$13.5 million.

Open Public Participation

Jerry Hiscox thanked the Board for their hard work. He believes that we have the attention of the public and wants to update our athletic facilities. He is asking that Board remove the operating levy from the November ballot and a committee research adding additional millage to fund the new athletic facilities.

Don Hornak agreed with Mr. Hiscox and asked that the Board remove the current levy. He thinks the climate is right to pass a combined levy and agreed to lead the committee with Mr. Hiscox.

Brian Hiscox stated that Berkshire's athletic facilities fail in comparison to other surrounding communities and thinks new facilities will benefit the community.

Tim Hess stated that we need to maintain and improve our facilities.

Mr. Manfredi clarified that he expressed the need to improvements to the facilities in prior levy talks but a operations levy was decided upon. He said he is concerned about staff cuts should the levy fail and stated that he needs to worry about education at this point. He stated that he is working with the new dean at Kent State Geauga and that they have some exciting plans educationally planned to our students.

Jerry Hiscox stated that the District has time and to give them a chance to pass their levy.

Don Hornak asked each individual Board Member for their opinion.

Mr. Miller stated that the committee's plans made sense. Mr. Koster said he would like to see a combined issue however he does not think it is feasible at this time. Mrs. Brown stated that she believes that going to the voters once with one levy is best. Mr. Delong stated that he would love to see new facilities but is worried about cuts to education.

Shelly McDermot stated that the levy in November is silly and that the Board is sticking it to us. Wants to wait to place levy on ballot in May.

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Mr. Rhoades stated that a February ballot gives time to get the committee together.

Executive Session:

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), we hereby move that the Board adjourn to executive session for the purpose of personnel matters.

Motioned by Mr. Koster, seconded by Mrs. Brown to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters

Roll Call: Four Ayes, One absent
Motion Carried.

The Board entered into executive session at 7:45 p.m.

The Board exited executive session at 8:34 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Brown, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Roll Call: All Ayes
One Absent
Motion Carried.

Mr. John Manfredi President

Mrs. Beth McCaffrey Recorder of Proceedings