
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

**MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2016 6:00 PM
BERKSHIRE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**SPECIAL 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. Boyd, Mrs. Brown, Mr. Manfredi, Mrs. Raikes, Mr. Wadsworth-present

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Wadsworth to approve the current agenda.

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Boyd - yea, Mrs. Brown – yea, Mr. Manfredi - yea, Mrs. Raikes - yea
Mr. Wadsworth - yea

All ayes

Motion Carried

Motion made by Mr. Boyd, seconded by Mr. Wadsworth to declare an emergency at Ledgemont Elementary and to approve the contract for \$39,810.00 to Mid State Restoration, Inc., to perform masonry repairs to Ledgemont Elementary.

Discussion: The Board asked how many bids were received, Mrs. McCaffrey responded three.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brown - yea, Mr. Manfredi - yea, Mrs. Raikes - yea, Mr. Wadsworth - yea,
Mr. Boyd - yea

All ayes

Motion Carried

Motion made by Mr. Wadsworth, seconded by Mr. Manfredi to approve one day of professional development training, at \$90 per day, on August 22, 2016 for the following:

- Karen Fortier
- Brian Hiscox

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Manfredi - yea, Mrs. Raikes - yea, Mr. Wadsworth - yea, Mr. Boyd - yea,
Mrs. Brown - yea

All ayes

Motion Carried

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

WHEREAS the Berkshire Board of Education represents and has been elected to serve the residents Burton Village, Burton Township, Claridon Township, Montville Township, Thompson Township and Troy Township.

WHEREAS the Berkshire Board of Education recognizes that in order to advance educational opportunities to our students and the reality of declining enrollment, negative fiscal position, and operational and facility challenges compels the need for a new education model for the students of Geauga County. The Board of Education understands that through collaboration and shared services a new educational model can be achieved; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Berkshire Board of Education continue to explore and formally ask for the expertise and resources of Kent State University Geauga to further pursue a new educational model for the students of Berkshire Local Schools.

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mrs. Raikes - yea, Mr. Wadsworth - yea, Mr. Boyd - yea, Mrs. Brown - yea,
Mr. Manfredi - yea
All ayes
Motion Carried

Resolution Authorizing Settlement Agreement:

Motion made by Mrs. Brown seconded by Mr. Boyd to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes that it is the best interests of the District to enter into a settlement agreement regarding a pending Due Process complaint filed by a District parent on behalf of their child; and

WHEREAS, the Parent has agreed to dismiss with prejudice the Due Process complaint, Case No. SE 3331- 2016, which is pending with the Ohio Department of Education Office of Exceptional Children; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has reviewed the proposed settlement agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (sealed), and approves of the terms of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the settlement agreement involves a student in the District and must be maintained as confidential under both state and federal law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent and Director of Gifted & Special Education to execute the settlement agreement

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and take, along with the Treasurer, any and all action necessary to implement the terms of the agreement.

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Wadsworth - yea, Mr. Boyd - yea, Mrs. Brown - yea, Mr. Manfredi - yea,
Mrs. Raikes - yea

All ayes

Motion Carried

Executive Session

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, discipline, promotion, or demotion of a public employee

A motion made by Mrs. Raikes, seconded by Mr. Manfredi to enter executive session at 6:28 p.m.

Roll Call: Mr. Manfred-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye, Mrs. Brown-aye,
Mr. Boyd-aye

All ayes

Motion Carried.

Board exited executive session at 7:30 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion made by Mr. Wadsworth, seconded Mr. Boyd to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Mr. Manfred-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye, Mrs. Brown-aye,
Mr. Boyd-aye

All ayes

Motion Carried

Mrs. Kim Brown

President

Mrs. Beth McCaffrey

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