

OFFICIAL PROCEEDING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF THE AUSTINTOWN LOCAL SCHOOLS

The Austintown Board of Education met pursuant to its rules on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at 6:15 PM at Fitch High School for the Regular Session.

Board Members

Mrs. Kathy Mock, President  
Dr. David Ritchie, Vice President  
Mr. Lou Chine, Member  
Mr. Ken Jakubec, Member  
Mr. Harold Porter, Member

Administration

Mr. Vincent S. Colaluca, Superintendent  
Ms. Mary Ann Herschel, Treasurer

2014- 1/14-1      Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM. All members were present.

Guest Speaker

Bob Harmon- ODE Pupil Transportation Coordinator gave a Power Point presentation of his findings of a Transportation Audit for Austintown Local Schools.

Student Recognition

Lego League Team - Andy Yantes, Advisor

Public Comments

Maximum time allotted is 30 minutes. Speakers must sign in.  
Lori Cavalier and Kim Smrek..... Bond Issue Campaign Co-Chairpersons encouraged community involvement in the up-coming campaign.

Building Reports: Highlights of current events within their buildings is given by building administrators on a rotation basis.

Austintown Fitch School..... Christopher Berni, Head Principal; Creative Arts Night will be 1/15/14; Speech and Debate Team continues to be successful with several students earning high ranking awards at the Sylvania tournament; the varsity football team was honored at the state level for their high ranking academic achievement as a team.

Austintown Middle School..... James Penk, Head Principal; Spelling Bee Champion is Walter Woods, Quinton Ludwick is runner up; AMS hosted First Lego League District Tournament with 2 (The Mad Scientists and Bio Hazard) of 4 teams qualifying for state competition; STARS testing for Reading and Math begins; drilling began today to run internet wiring to the new room that will be used by Falcon Pride & HOPE Academy students. The old classroom will be used for ELL students and tutors.

Austintown Intermediate ..... Angel Owens, Assist. Principal; welcomed new Board members; thanked PTA for assisting, planning, and running Santa's Workshop and holiday room parties on 12/20/13, Mr. Lenton at AES for working with AIS Literacy Committee staff to coordinate a visit with Author Buck Wilder for 3-5 students. A student from each class was able to have breakfast with Author Buck Wilder; STARS testing begins 1/15/14; completed the first round of AIS academies; school wide magazine fund raiser begins 1/31/14.

Austintown Elementary ..... Thomas Lenton, Assist. Principal; congratulated newly elected Board members; Ford Nature Center visited Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Graders with *Nature in Winter* program; author Buck Wilder visited AES; 43 students treated to limo lunch as a PTA fundraiser prize; STAR benchmark testing 1/15 – 1/31; AES conference dates: 2/4/14 Kindergarten; 2/5/14 Grade 1; 2/6/14 Grade 2; Scholastic Book Fair during evening conference times; Kindergarten registration at AELC from 4/28 to 5/1/14. Packets available for parents soon; Second grade teacher Andrea Crum received WFMJ's *Class Act Reward*.

2014- 1/14-2      Agenda Approval

Dr. Ritchie moved upon the recommendation of the Treasurer to approve the Regular Session agenda for the Austintown Board of Education meeting for Tuesday, January 14, 2014 with the modification to delete Letter M of

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Item 6. Mr. Jakubec seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (5-0)

2014- 1/14-3 Treasurer's Report\*

Dr. Ritchie moved upon the recommendation of the Treasurer approve the following Items A-C for consent action by the Austintown Board of Education:

- A. Approve the monthly financial statement, purchase orders over \$5000, and transfers for the month of December, 2013.
- B. Approve minutes from the 12/18/13 Special/Regular Session Board meeting.
- C. Authorize the treasurer to request an amended appropriation resolution and an amended certificate of estimated resources from the county auditor.

Mr. Chine seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (5-0)

2014- 1/14-4 Superintendent's Report\*

Mr. Jakubec moved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Item A for consent action by the Austintown Board of Education:

## A. Personnel

## 1) Appointments:

- a. Marshall Cowin, Bus Mechanic; effective 1/16/14 replacing Raymond Rush
- b. William Boughamer, Floating Bus Driver; effective 12/16/13 replacing William Wilson
- c. Richard Earnhardt, Temp. AV Computer Tech; effective 1/13/14

## 2) Resignations:

- d. Paul Cassano, Assist. Fitch Football Coach; effective 12/19/13
- e. John Kubacki, Intervention Tutor at Fitch; effective 12/20/13
- f. Bobbie Jo Infante, Food Service at Fitch; effective 1/2/14
- g. Michael Zoccali, Assist. AMS Girls Track (Red); effective 12/17/13
- h. Jeffry Gessler, Assist. Fitch Track; effective 12/17/13
- i. Robert Lape, AMS Girls Track (Blue); effective 1/9/14

## 3) Transfers:

- j. William Wilson, from Floating Bus Driver to regular Bus Driver effective 12/16/13, replacing W. Leaming

## 4) Substitute Personnel:

- k. Lynn Robertson, Bus Driver as of 1/10/14
- l. Cheryl Bernard, Bus Driver as of 1/17/14

## 5) Long Term Substitute Teaching Personnel

- a. John Kubacki for Melissa Coon; effective 1/2/14

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- 6) Leave of Absence
  - a. Melissa Coon, unpaid parental leave under FMLA beginning 1/28/14 for the remainder of the 2014-15 school year; return date is undetermined at this time.
  - b. Rebecca Shrake, unpaid parental leave effective 1/1/14 through 4/30/14.
- 7) Supplementals
  - Chris Flauto, AMS Assist. Boys Track Red
- 8) Professional Substitute Personnel
  - a. Angela Barker; Saturday School; \$18.10/hr. limited to no more than 4 hours per Saturday; one monitor per Saturday on a rotation basis
- 9) Tutors: (Part-time teachers or tutors may not exceed 28.75 hours per week with any combination of teaching/tutoring duties.)
  - a. Phyllis Messuri; RTI tutor at IHM/St. Joseph; \$16/hr.; replacing C. Esenwein effective 2013-14 school year.
  - b. Rhondia Burt; Intervention Tutor at Fitch; \$16/hr.; replacing T. Miller effective 2013-14 school year.
  - c. Courtney Rothbauer; Intervention Tutor at Fitch; \$16/hr.; replacing J. Kubacki effective 2013-14 school year.

Dr. Ritchie seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (5-0)

2014-1/14-5 Donation

Dr. Ritchie moved upon the recommendation to accept the donation of computer equipment for ACTV from Good360 in the amount of \$500 through their HP Employee Product Giving Program. Mr. Jakubec seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (5-0)

2014-1/14-6 Board Policy

Mr. Jakubec moved to approve the adoptions and revisions for the following board policies as recommended by the Board Policy Development sub-committee:

|                                                                                       |                    |                  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| a. Business Advisory Council to the Board                                             | BCFA               | Required         |
| b. Student Fees, Fines and Charges                                                    | JN                 | Required         |
| c. Admission of Students from Non-Chartered or Home Schooling                         | JECBC              | Required         |
| d. Interscholastic Extracurricular Eligibility                                        | IGDK               | Required         |
| e. Interscholastic Athletics                                                          | IGDJ               | Required         |
| f. Co-curricular and Extra-Curricular Activities                                      | IGD                | Required         |
| g. School District Legal Status                                                       | AA                 | Required         |
| h. Evaluation of Professional Staff (OTES)                                            | AFC-1 (Also GCN-1) | Required         |
| i. Evaluation of Professional Staff<br>(Administrators both Professional and Support) | AFC-2 (Also GCN-2) | Required         |
| j. School Board Legal Status                                                          | BB                 | Adopt            |
| k. Board Member Qualifications                                                        | BBBA               | Adopt            |
| l. Executive Sessions                                                                 | BDC                | Required         |
| <del>m. Special Use of School Buses</del>                                             | <del>EEAD</del>    | <del>Adopt</del> |
| n. Professional Staff Hiring                                                          | GCD                | Required         |

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| o. Evaluation of Professional Staff (OTES)                                            | GCN-1 (Also AFC-1)  | Required |
| p. Evaluation of Professional Staff<br>(Administrators both Professional and Support) | GCB-2 (Also AFC-2)  | Required |
| q. Reading Skills Assessments and Intervention<br>(Third Grade Reading Guarantee)     | IGBEA-R             | Required |
| r. Home Instruction                                                                   | IGCF                | Adopt    |
| s. Postsecondary Enrollment Options                                                   | IGCH-R (Also LEC-R) | Adopt    |
| t. Promotion and Retention of Students                                                | IKE                 | Required |
| u. Early Entrance to Kindergarten                                                     | JEB A               | Required |
| v. Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports<br>(Restraint and Seclusion)        | JP                  | Required |
| w. Cooperative Educational Programs                                                   | LBB                 | Adopt    |
| x. Postsecondary Enrollment Options                                                   | LEC-R (Also IGCH-R) | Adopt    |
| y. Support Staff Recruiting/Posting of Vacancies/Hiring                               | GDC/GDCA/GDDq       | Required |
| z. Revenues From Tax Sources                                                          | DE                  | Required |

Mrs. Mock seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (5-0)

2014- 1/14-7 OSBA Services

Dr. Ritchie moved to approve the recommendation for renewal of Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) services as follows:

- Membership dues in the amount of \$5,461 for January to December 2014. Dues are based on our district's average daily membership and the cost per pupil data from the Ohio Department of Education for the 2011-12 school year.
- Web Based Policy Conversion Services offered by OSBA which provide board policy review, modification, materials, distribution, document conversions and customized manual on CD-ROM at a fee of \$1500 from January 1 to December 31, 2014.

Mr. Jakubec seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (5-0)

2014- 1/14-8 Open Enrollment

Mr. Chine moved to approve the recommendation to direct the Superintendent to notify the Ohio Department of Education that the Austintown Local Schools will again be an open enrollment district in the 2014-15 school year. Mrs. Mock seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, No; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (4-1)

2014- 1/14-9 Calamity Day Requests

Mr. Jakubec moved to approve the resolution to declare three calamity days for the Austintown Schools in compliance with Sections 3313.48 and 3317.1 (b) of the Ohio Revised Code for 1/3/14, 1/6/14, and 1/7/14 due to extreme weather conditions. Dr. Ritchie seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (5-0)

2014- 1/14-10 Resolution of Necessity

Mr. Chine moved to approve the resolution declaring the necessity of submitting the question of the issuance of school improvement bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of \$45,895,000 to the electors of the school district pursuant to Section 133.18 of the revised code. Dr. Ritchie seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (5-0)

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Mr. Chine----- congratulated Mrs. Murphy-Penk on successful transportation audit; is happy to return to the Board; promises to listen to all positive as well as negative feedback from the community; will strive to be approachable and supportive to the needs and concerns of the community, faculty, students, and staff.

Mr. Jakubec----- is happy to return to the Board; thanked voters for their vote of confidence; acknowledges that while it is not possible to please 100% of the people he has a personal goal to please at least 98%; pledged his support of student's athletic and academic programs.

Mrs. Mock----- welcomed Mr. Chine and Mr. Jakubec and appreciates the opportunity to benefit from their prior Board membership experience; acknowledged and praised the academic achievements of our athletes and the success of our students in the STEM program.

Mr. Porter----- none

Dr. Ritchie----- congratulated Mrs. Murphy-Penk's successful transportation audit; acknowledged our undefeated girls basketball team and encouraged community support for all winter athletic, extra-curricular, and academic events; welcomed Mr. Chine and Mr. Jakubec who are returning to the Board this year.

Superintendent Colaluca----- welcomed Mr. Chine and Mr. Jakubec to the Board and presented them with their Certificates of Recognition from OSBA; spoke about the bond issue and prospective renovations to the auditorium, gymnasium, and stadium at Fitch; addressed the financial issues related to the Bond Issue such as LFI and millage.

Treasurer Mary Ann Herschel----- welcomed back Mr. Chine and Mr. Jakubec and looks forward to working with the board members in 2014; explained the Resolution of Necessity passed at today's meeting, clarified the process of how the millage amount is determined, explained that a second resolution must be passed at an additional board meeting before the end of this month, and that all information must be to the Board of Elections by February 5, 2014 for the May ballot.

2014- 1/14-12 Date, Time, Location of February Board Meeting

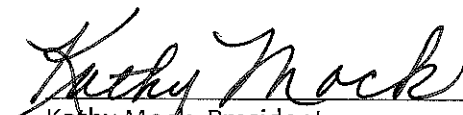
Mr. Jakubec moved to approve the date, time, and location of the February Board meeting for Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 6:00 PM at Austintown Middle School. Dr. Ritchie seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (5-0)

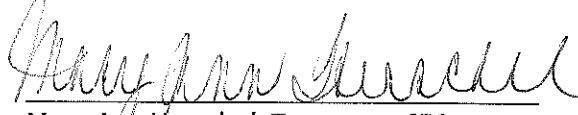
2014- 1/14-13 Executive Session

Dr. Ritchie moved to recess to Executive Session for the purpose of discussion with regards to the sale of public property and the employment of personnel. Mr. Chine seconded the motion. The Board recessed from Executive Session at 8:40 PM. No action was taken. A Work Session began at 8:41 PM and ended at 9:22 PM

2014- 1/14-14 Adjournment

Harold Porter moved to adjourn at 9:23 PM. Dr. Ritchie seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows: Mr. Chine, Yes; Mr. Jakubec, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Dr. Ritchie, Yes. The motion carried (5-0)

  
Kathy Mock, President  
Austintown Board of Education

  
Mary Ann Herschel, Treasurer, CFO  
Austintown Board of Education

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Eben Byers, Jr., Joe Conley, Vickie Conley, Sheila Palombo, Tom Mock, Dominic Romeo, Lori Cavalier, Zak Patrick, Elizabeth Mosier, Nathan B (illegible), Aaliya Anderson, Angel Owens, Amy Sopko, Cali Mikovich, Phil Socha, Krista Rosensteel, Tami Franklin, Karine Betts, Thomas Lenton, Dale Basista, Kerrell Johnson, Aujenay Cianciola, Olivia Bundy, Danielle Chine, Michael Malizia, Gayle Carino, Greg Doll, Tyler Vestal, Kim Smek, Nicole Ruggles, Christine Palmer, Bree Helminiak, Kylie Haynes, Brittany Skelton, Gabby Butch, Alyssa Marstemer, Jose Rodriguez, Nicholas Ruscitti, Barb Tomic, Bethany Carlson, Shelley Chine, Kyle Oleska, Billy Stoy, Carmen Bursk, Karen Fritz, Mara McCauley, Gary Gibson, R (illegible) Rafique, Austin Bartley, Anthony Pezzuolo, Mark Quigly, Vicki L Woods, Walter W Woods, Walter L Woods, Kathy A Woods, John Kidd, Mike DiFabio, Allison Linton, Katie Bodnar, Monica Walter, Stephanie Schornack, Emma Layshock, April Solic, Fawne Marciano

\*Consent Item