

Ross Board of Education
Organizational Meeting
District Office
January 5, 2017

The Ross Board of Education held its organizational meeting at the District Office on January 5, 2017. The meeting was called to order by Board President Pro Tem, Mr. Edward Bosse, at 7:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order

Present: Mr. Edward Bosse, Mr. Keith Klinefelter, Mr. Michael Kroeger,
Mr. Steve Stitsinger, Mr. Shawn Webster

Absent: None

Mr. Scott Gates, Superintendent and Mr. John Kinsel, Treasurer were also present at this meeting.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Present: Mr. Edward Bosse, Mr. Keith Klinefelter, Mr. Michael Kroeger,
Mr. Steve Stitsinger, Mr. Shawn Webster

Absent: None

IV. Reorganization of Board of Education

A. Election of Officers

1. Election of 2017 President
1-1-17

Mr. Klinefelter nominated Steve Stitsinger for 2017 Board President and Mr. Webster seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations.

The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

Mr. Stitsinger was elected President and presided over the remainder of the meeting.

2. Election of 2017 Vice President

1-2-17

Mr. Stitsinger nominated Edward Bosse for 2017 Board Vice President and Mr. Webster seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations.

The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

B. Set Date, Time, and Place of 2017 Board Meetings

1-3-17

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Klinefelter seconded the motion to set the date, time and place of the 2016 board meetings as amended and as follows:

**ROSS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING SCHEDULE**

2017

(Approved 1/5/17)

The Ross Board of Education adopts its meeting schedule at the organizational meeting in January. Meeting dates, times, and/or locations are subject to change. If you plan to attend a meeting, you are encouraged to call the Office of the Superintendent at 863-1253 to verify the time and location. The Board of Education may also schedule special meetings throughout the year to conduct Board business. All meeting notices are submitted to local media for publication and are posted on the District Web Site at www.rossrams.com.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
Thursday, January 5, 2017	District Office	7:30 pm (Organizational Meeting)
Friday, January 27, 2017	Ross High School	6:00 pm
Thursday, February 23, 2017	Elda Elementary	6:30 pm
Tuesday, February 28, 2017	District Office	6:30 pm (Work Session)
Wednesday, March 22, 2017	Ross Middle School	6:30 pm
Thursday, April 6, 2017	District Office	6:30 pm (Work Session)
Thursday, April 27, 2017	Ross High School	6:30 pm (Retiree Recognition)
Thursday, May 25, 2017	Morgan Elementary	6:30 pm
Thursday, June 22, 2017	Ross High School	6:30 pm
Thursday, June 29, 2017	District Office	6:30 pm (Work Session)
Thursday, July 27, 2017	Ross High School	6:30 pm
Thursday, August 10, 2017	District Office	6:30 pm (Special Meeting)
Thursday, August 24, 2017	Ross High School	6:30 pm
Thursday, September 14, 2017	Ross High School	6:30 pm (5:30 pm New Staff Reception)
Thursday, October 26, 2017	Morgan Elementary	6:30 pm
Thursday, November 16, 2017	Ross Middle School	6:30 pm
Monday, December 18, 2017	Elda Elementary	6:30 pm

The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

V. Treasurer Authorizations
1-4-17

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Bosse seconded the motion for approval of the following Treasurer authorizations:

A. Resolution for Payment of Bills

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education, as authorized under Section 3313.18 of the Ohio Revised Code, hereby dispenses with the adoption of resolutions during the calendar year of 2017 authorizing the payment of debts or claims and approving warrants for the payment of any claim from school funds within the appropriations adopted by the Board for 2017. Use of facsimile signature is authorized in payment of all warrants.

B. Advancement of Funds

The treasurer is authorized to use General Fund Account #001-7400-921 to advance money from the General Fund to other funds in anticipation of future receipts. When the anticipated money has been received, the advance will be returned to the General Fund.

C. Resolution Requesting Advance of Taxes From Butler County Auditor

ROSS LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REQUEST FOR TAX ADVANCES

Resolution No. 1-4-17

THE ROSS LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION HEREBY REQUESTS THE BUTLER COUNTY AUDITOR TO ADVANCE THE TREASURER OF THE ROSS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO, TAXES ASSESSED AND COLLECTED FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE ROSS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 321.34 provides that the Board of Education of an Ohio public school district may request from the appropriate County Auditor advance payment of tax funds assessed and collected for and on behalf of such school district; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid statute requires that such request be made by a formal resolution and that such advance payment of tax funds be paid to the Treasurer of the school district;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ROSS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT:

Section 1: Pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Section 321.34, the Board of Education of the Ross Local School District hereby requests that the Butler County Auditor advance to the Treasurer of the Ross Local School District taxes assessed in 2016 for and on behalf of the Ross Local School District and collected in 2017.

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Bosse seconded the motion and, after discussion, a roll call vote was taken and the results were:

Ayes: Mr. Klinefelter, Mr. Kroeger, Mr. Stitsinger,
Mr. Bosse, Mr. Webster

Nays: None

Abstain:

None

Passed: January 5, 2017

Attest:

John Kinsel
Treasurer

By:

[Signature]
President

D. Authorization to Invest Funds

Be it resolved that the Treasurer of the Ross Local School District is hereby given the authority to invest money of the Ross Board of Education when it is advisable to do so and in the best interest of the school district.

E. Appropriation Modifications

The treasurer is hereby authorized to make appropriation modifications between fund accounts with these modifications being reported to the Board at its next succeeding regular meeting.

F. Signature Authorization

The treasurer is hereby authorized to serve as the official signer for expenditures of funds for the Board of Education.

The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

VI. Superintendent Authorizations
1-5-17

Mr. Bosse moved and Mr. Stitsinger seconded the motion for approval of the following Superintendent authorizations:

A. Approval of Professional Meetings

The superintendent is hereby authorized to approve employee professional meeting expenses as appropriate within budget appropriations and consistent with the provisions of the REA Negotiated Agreement and established procedures for support staff.

B. Approval of Leaves of Absence

The superintendent is hereby authorized to approve employee leaves of absence as appropriate, consistent with the provisions of the REA Negotiated Agreement and established procedures for support staff.

C. School District's Purchasing Agent

The superintendent is hereby authorized to serve as the purchasing agent for the school district for the 2017 calendar year.

D. Employment of Temporary Personnel

The superintendent is hereby authorized to employ such temporary personnel as are needed for special situations to insure safety, security, protection of district property, and the orderly operation of the school district.

E. Board's Designee for Appeals of Student Suspensions

The superintendent is hereby authorized to be the Board's designee for appeals of student suspensions.

F. Approval of Tuition Waivers for Students for Reasons Specified in Section 3313.64 of the Ohio Revised Code

The superintendent is hereby authorized to approve, as appropriate, for the Board of Education, waivers of tuition for students for reasons specified in Section 3313.64 of the Ohio Revised Code.

G. Board's Designee for Approval of Bus Routes

The superintendent is hereby authorized to serve as the Board's designee for the approval of school bus routes, bus stops, and out-of-state trips not exceeding a single school day.

H. Approval of the superintendent to be the Administrative Review Designee for any special education placement appealed by parents through due process.

The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

VII. Affirm Distribution of Interest Income, Authorizations to Appoint Cashiers to Collect Money on Behalf of the Treasurer (as amended) and Approval of Tax Budget 1-6-17

Mr. Webster moved and Mr. Kroeger seconded the motion to approve the request to affirm distribution of interest income, authorizations to appoint cashiers to collect money on behalf of the Treasurer (as amended) and approval of tax budget as follows:

A. Affirm Distribution of Interest Income

Interest received for the General Fund shall be deposited into the General Fund.

Interest received for the Construction Fund shall be deposited into the Construction Fund

Interest received for the Scholarship Fund shall be deposited into the Scholarship Fund.

Interest received for the Lunchroom Fund shall be deposited into the Lunchroom Fund.

B. Authorization to Appoint the Following as Cashiers to Collect Money on Behalf of the Treasurer

Baker, Kristy	Hensley, Dena	Olinger, Brenda
Bollenbach, Jan	Hiler, Joyce	Rheinfrank, Lynnette
Broermann, Janice	Imhoff, Martha	Robertson, Kathy
Burwinkel, Julie	Kerby, Karen	Rosselot, Lisa
Campbell, Sandra	Kohlman, Gwen	Scalia, Melissa
Christophel, Deborah	Korb, Lynn	Smith, Connie
Clark, Claire	Lefevers, Leslie	Smith, Sherri
Clevenger, Peggy	Maybury, Donna	Snider, Stefanie
Curry, Tonja	McConnell, Anita	Stapleton, Roxanne
Genton, Susan	Minges Hooch, Megan	Stewart, Tina
Gunter, Brian	Minges, Karen	Wright, Natalie
Henderson, Paula	Morrissey, Sharon	

C. Approval of Tax Budget

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The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

D. Appoint Legislative Liaison Representative
1-7-17

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Kroeger seconded the motion for approval to appoint Ed Bosse as legislative liaison representative.

The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

E. Appoint Student Achievement Representative
1-8-17

Mr. Bosse moved and Mr. Kroeger seconded the motion for approval to appoint Shawn Webster as student achievement representative.

The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

F. Appoint Representative to Audit Committee
1-9-17

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Klinefelter seconded the motion for approval to appoint Steve Stitsinger as representative to audit committee.

The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

G. Ross Local School Board Recognition Month Proclamation

Mr. Gates proclaimed January 2017 as School Board Recognition Month in Ross Local School District.

H. Approval of Substitute Bus Driver Items
1-10-17

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Bosse seconded the motion for approval of substitute bus driver items as follows:

1. Referral fee of \$200 to be paid to any Ross Local School employee who refers a Substitute Bus Driver for employment, with employment remaining for at least 90 days.
2. Increase Substitute Bus Driver and Field Trip pay to \$16.00 per hour, with a guaranteed 3 hour minimum, when called.
3. Reimburse Substitute Bus Driver \$38.00 for temporary license and \$64.00 for test, from General Funds.
4. Provide 20 hours of Paid Training for Substitute Bus Drivers

The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

- I. Approval to Table Item H #5 Employee's Desiring Retire/Rehire Shall Rehire at Their Current Position, Step 5
1-11-17

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Bosse seconded the motion for approval to table item H #5 employee's desiring retire/rehire shall rehire at their current position, step 5.

The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.

VIII. Student Services

- A. Board Policies - Clarification of Revised Board Policy Regulation approved on December 19, 2016:

1. ACA and Regulation, Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex to ACA/ACAA and Regulation, Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex/Sexual Harassment


IX. Adjournment
1-12-17

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Kroeger seconded the motion to adjourn this meeting at 8:20 p.m.

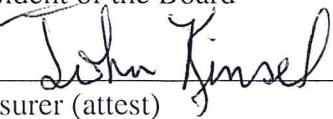
The roll call was as follows:

Mr. Bosse	Aye	Mr. Klinefelter	Aye
Mr. Kroeger	Aye	Mr. Stitsinger	Aye
Mr. Webster	Aye		

Mr. Stitsinger declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



President of the Board



Treasurer (attest)