

Ross Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Ross Middle School
March 16, 2016

The Ross Board of Education held a regular meeting at Ross Middle School on March 16, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Board president, Mr. Steve Stitsinger, at 6:30 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. Greg Young, Superintendent, Mr. John Kinsel, Treasurer, Ms. Kathy DiBlasi, Director of Curriculum and Mr. Ray Lyttle, Director of Special Services/Personnel were also present at this meeting.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Review of Agenda

IV. Approval and Signing of Minutes
3-45-16

Mr. Klinefelter moved and Mr. Stitsinger seconded the motion for approval and signing of minutes of February 22, 2016 and February 25, 2016.

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. Highlights

A. Alpha Girls (RMS Robotics Team)

There was a presentation by the Alpha Girls which is the Middle School's Robotics Club.

B. Recognition of Mr. Greg Young

Mr. Stitsinger recognized Mr. Young for what he has accomplished during his tenure at Ross Local Schools and wished him the best.

C. School Advocacy Network

Mr. Young discussed the option for Ross to join the School Advocacy Network. When the board talked about joining in the past the feeling was lukewarm. It is something to consider if the interest is there in the future.

VI. Public Participation

None

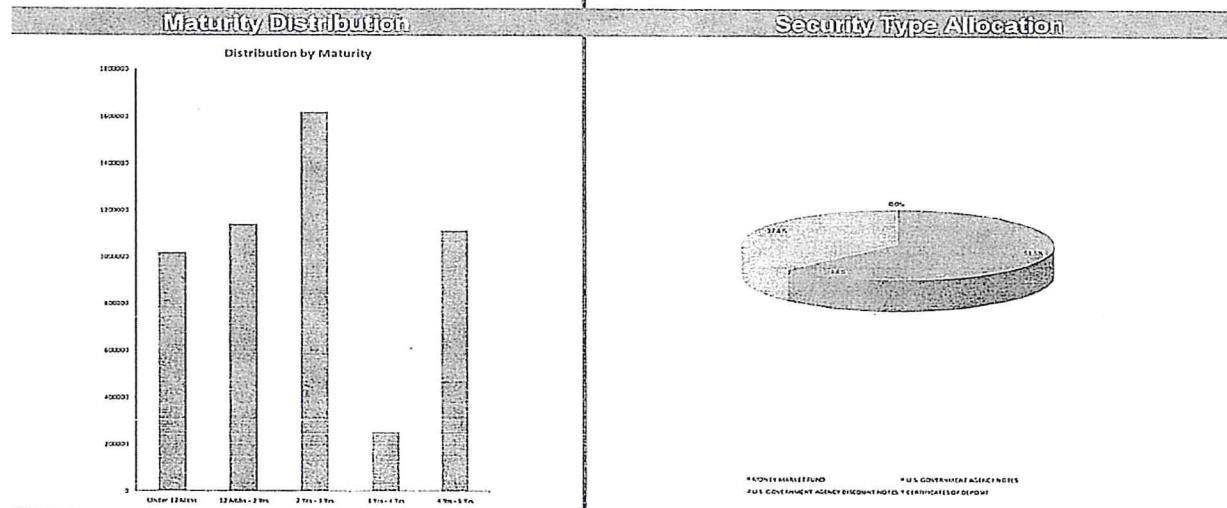
VII. Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations

A. Approval of Financial Report, Investments, Donations, Amounts and Rates and Van Purchase for Special Services
3-46-16

Investments

Monthly Investment Summary
Ross Local Schools
US Bank Custodian Acct Ending x70781
February 29, 2016

Monthly Cash Flow Activity		Market Value Summary				
From 01-31-16 through 02-29-16		Security Type	Market Value	Pct. Assets	Avg Yield at Cost	Wght Avg Mat
Beginning Book Value	5,101,846.78	Money Market Fund	730.32	0.0	0.15	0.00
Contributions	0.00	Fixed Income				
Withdrawals	0.00	U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCY DISCOUNT NOTES	452,990.26	8.8	0.74	0.88
Prior Month Management Fees	-641.61	U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCY NOTES	2,748,620.65	53.4	1.13	2.07
Realized Gains/Losses	45.00	Accrued Interest	4,116.13	0.1		
Gross Interest Earnings	7,807.75	Certificate of Deposit	1,932,305.41	37.5	1.89	3.20
Ending Book Value	5,109,057.92	DEPOSIT	8,538.19	0.2		
		Accrued Interest				
		TOTAL PORTFOLIO	5,147,300.97	100.0	1.38	2.39



Disclosures: RedTree's internal accounting system is the source of the market value of above account. Although obtained from a reliable source, we cannot guarantee accuracy. You should review statements provided by the custodian and compare with these statements.

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Portfolio Holdings Report
Ross Local Schools
US Bank Custodian Acct Ending x70781
February 29, 2016

Quantity	Cusip	Security Description	Moody's	S&P	Cost Basis	Market Value	Yield at Cost	Wtd Maturity
U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCY NOTES								
245,000	3137EADQ9	Federal Home Ln Mtg 0.500% Due 05-13-16	Aaa	AA+	244,894.65	245,039.93	0.52	0.21
195,000	313834R9	Federal Home Ln Bank 0.375% Due 06-24-16	Aaa	AA+	194,683.82	194,929.60	0.46	0.32
125,000	3135G0XP3	Federal Natl Mtg Assoc 0.375% Due 07-05-16	Aaa	AA+	123,804.75	124,924.75	0.70	0.35
300,000	3135G0MZ3	Federal Natl Mtg Assoc 0.875% Due 08-28-17	Aaa	AA+	298,243.50	300,415.20	1.06	1.48
380,000	3135G0TG8	Federal Natl Mtg Assoc 0.875% Due 02-08-18	Aaa	AA+	376,868.55	380,217.74	1.15	1.92
230,000	3134G8M71	Federal Home Ln Mtg 1.050% Due 02-26-18	Aaa	AA+	230,000.00	229,924.56	1.05	1.97
225,000	3135G0WN9	Federal Natl Mtg Assoc 1.000% Due 04-30-18	Aaa	AA+	224,775.00	224,453.92	1.02	2.13
235,000	3135G0WJ8	Federal Natl Mtg Assoc 0.875% Due 05-21-18	Aaa	AA+	234,770.88	234,792.49	0.92	2.20
460,000	3134G8M55	Federal Home Ln Mtg 1.300% Due 02-26-19	Aaa	AA+	460,000.00	458,689.92	1.30	2.92
355,000	3134G7XN6	Federal Home Ln Mtg 1.250% Due 09-30-20	Aaa	AA+	354,591.75	355,232.52	2.16	4.39
Accrued Interest						4,116.13		
					2,742,632.90	2,752,736.78	1.13	2.07
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT								
230,000	02587CDZ0	American Express Bank FSB - CD 1.250% Due 07-31-17			230,000.00	230,258.98	1.25	1.40
224,000	02006LSH7	Ally Bank Midvale, UT - CD 1.700% Due 07-23-18			223,720.00	224,895.55	1.74	2.34
225,000	254672TA6	Discover Bank, DE - CD 1.700% Due 07-30-18			225,000.00	226,408.50	1.70	2.36
248,000	33767AQV6	Firstbank of Puerto Rico, PR - CD 1.500% Due 10-29-18			248,000.00	249,883.31	1.50	2.60
247,000	05580ADD3	BMW Bank of North America, UT - CD 2.000% Due 11-18-19			246,950.60	249,334.89	2.01	3.55
247,000	02587DB98	American Express Centurion Bank - CD 2.250% Due 09-30-20			246,876.50	250,581.99	2.26	4.30
247,000	140420XD7	Capital One Bank USA, Glen Allen, VA - CD 2.250% Due 10-28-20			246,753.00	250,471.09	2.27	4.38
247,000	14042RBL4	Capital One, National Assoc, McLean, VA - CD 2.250% Due 10-28-20			246,753.00	250,471.09	2.27	4.38
Accrued Interest						8,538.19		
					1,914,053.10	1,940,843.60	1.89	3.20
U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCY DISCOUNT NOTES								
455,000	313313AN8	Federal Farm Credit Discount Note 0.000% Due 01-13-17	P-1	A-1+	451,641.60	452,990.26	0.74	0.88
MONEY MARKET FUND								
	USBMMF	First American Treasury Obligations Fund			730.32	730.32	0.15	
TOTAL PORTFOLIO					5,109,057.92	5,147,300.97	1.38	2.39

Donations

1. Donation of \$2,000.00 from Dorothy Spohn for the Fine Arts Award Scholarship.
2. Donation of \$960.00 from Michael Kroeger to the Ross Local School District.

Amounts and Rates

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE
BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES
AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

(City, Village, or Rural Board of Education)

Rev. Code, Secs. 5705.34, 5705.35

The Board of Education of the ROSS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Butler

County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 16th day of March, 2016 at the
(Regular or Special)

office of Ross Middle School with the following members present:

Mr. Edward Bosse

Mr. Keith Klinefelter

Mr. Michael Kroeger

Mr. Steve Stitsinger

Mr. Shawn Webster

Mr. Shawn Webster

moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, This Board of Education in accordance with the provisions of law has previously
adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing July 1st, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Commission of Butler County, Ohio has certified its action thereon of the
Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be
levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within the ten mill tax
limitation; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said School District the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as follows:

SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY BUDGET COMMISSION,
AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES

FUND	AMOUNT APPROVED BY BUDGET COMMISSION INSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION	AMOUNT TO BE DERIVED FROM LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION	COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATE OF TAX RATE TO BE LEVIED	
			INSIDE 10 MILL LIMIT	OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMIT
GENERAL FUND	\$1,800,000	\$7,200,000	4.66	40.37
BOND RETIREMENT FUND		\$1,550,000		4.00
LIBRARY FUND				
FOR PERMANENT IMPROVE	\$270,000		0.70	
STATE				
TOTAL	\$2,070,000	\$8,750,000	5.36	44.37

SCHEDULE B

LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES

FUND		COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATE OF YIELD OF LEVY (Carry to Schedule A)	MAXIMUM RATE AUTHORIZED TO BE LEVIED
GENERAL FUND:			
Current expense levy authorized by voters on	,1976	2,680,000	19.52
not to exceed IND. years.			
Current expense levy authorized by voters on 5-5	,1981	1,200,000	6.90
not to exceed IND. years.			
Current expense levy authorized by voters on 11-30	,1987	820,000	3.90
not to exceed IND. years.			
Current expense levy authorized by voters on 05/08	,1990	700,000	3.30
not to exceed IND. years.			
Current expense levy authorized by voters on 05/02	,1995	480,000	2.00
not to exceed IND. years.			
Current expense levy authorized by voters on 05/04	,1999	1,280,000	4.75
not to exceed IND. years.			
TOTAL GENERAL FUND OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION		7,160,000	40.37
SPECIAL LEVY FUNDS:			
Levy authorized by voters on 11/5, 2002			
not to exceed 26 years. (\$24,900,000.00) BOND		1,550,000	4.00
Levy authorized by voters on			
not to exceed years.			
Levy authorized by voters on	,20		
not to exceed years.			
Levy authorized by voters on	,20		
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ind be it further

RESOLVED, That the Treasurer of this Board be, and he/she is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of said County.

Mr. Edward Bosse seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Edward Bosse , Aye

Mr. Keith Klinefelter , Aye

Mr. Michael Kroeger , Aye

Mr. Steve Stitsinger , Aye

Mr. Shawn Webster , Aye

Adopted the 16th day of March, 2016.



Treasurer of the Board of Education of the

Ross Local _____ School District

Butler County, Ohio.

CERTIFICATE OF COPY

ORIGINAL ON FILE

The State of Ohio, Butler County, ss.

I, John Kinsel, Treasurer of the Board of Education of the Ross Local

School District, in said County, and in whose custody the Files and Records of said Board are

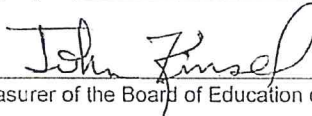
required by the Laws of the State of Ohio to be kept, do hereby certify that the foregoing is taken

and copied from the original Board of Education minutes

now on file, with said Board that the foregoing has been compared by me with said original document,

and that the same is a true and correct copy thereof.

WITNESS my signature, this 16th day of March, 2016



Treasurer of the Board of Education of the

Ross Local School District
Butler County, Ohio

NOTE: A copy of this Resolution must be certified to the County Auditor before the first day of
APRIL in each year, or at such later date as may be approved by the Board of Tax Appeals.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING
THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR. (CITY, VILLAGE, OR RURAL BOARD
OF EDUCATION)

ADOPTED March 16th, 2016

FILED _____



TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

COUNTY AUDITOR

DEPUTY AUDITOR

ROSS LSD

		Divide by 1,000	effective rate	collection estimate C x D	2016-2017 Estimate
General Fund					
RES/AGR VALUATION	335,647,580	335,648	4.66	1,564,118	
OTHER	18,479,930	18,480	4.66	86,116	
P.U. & TANGIBLE	38,041,220	38,041	4.66	177,272	
	392,168,730			<u>1,827,506</u>	1,827,506
76 General					
RES/AGR VALUATION	335,647,580	335,648	5.463355	1,833,762	
OTHER	18,479,930	18,480	6.020554	111,259	
P.U. & TANGIBLE	38,041,220	38,041	19.52	742,565	
	392,168,730			<u>2,687,586</u>	2,687,586
81 General					
RES/AGR VALUATION	335,647,580	335,648	2.665132	894,545	
OTHER	18,479,930	18,480	3.123747	57,727	
P.U. & TANGIBLE	38,041,220	38,041	6.9	262,484	
	392,168,730			<u>1,214,756</u>	1,214,756
87 General					
RES/AGR VALUATION	335,647,580	335,648	1.88113	631,397	
OTHER	18,479,930	18,480	2.329544	43,050	
P.U. & TANGIBLE	38,041,220	38,041	3.9	148,361	
	392,168,730			<u>822,807</u>	822,807
90 General					
RES/AGR VALUATION	335,647,580	335,648	1.608456	539,874	
OTHER	18,479,930	18,480	2.087851	38,583	
P.U. & TANGIBLE	38,041,220	38,041	3.3	125,536	
	392,168,730			<u>703,994</u>	703,994
95 General					
RES/AGR VALUATION	335,647,580	335,648	1.153142	387,049	
OTHER	18,479,930	18,480	1.369314	25,305	
P.U. & TANGIBLE	38,041,220	38,041	2	76,082	
	392,168,730			<u>488,437</u>	488,437
99 General					
RES/AGR VALUATION	335,647,580	335,648	3.109151	1,043,579	
OTHER	18,479,930	18,480	3.497596	64,635	
P.U. & TANGIBLE	38,041,220	38,041	4.75	180,696	
	392,168,730			<u>1,288,910</u>	1,288,910
TOTAL GENERAL FUND				<u>9,033,996</u>	<u>9,033,996</u>
02 Bonds					
RES/AGR VALUATION	335,647,580	335,648	4	1,342,590	
OTHER	18,479,930	18,480	4	73,920	
P.U. & TANGIBLE	38,041,220	38,041	4	152,165	
	392,168,730			<u>1,568,675</u>	1,568,675
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE				<u>1,568,675</u>	<u>1,568,675</u>
Permanent Improvement					
RES/AGR VALUATION	335,647,580	335,648	0.7	234,953	
OTHER	18,479,930	18,480	0.7	12,936	
P.U. & TANGIBLE	38,041,220	38,041	0.7	26,629	
	392,168,730			<u>274,518</u>	274,518
TOTAL P & I				<u>274,518</u>	<u>274,518</u>
					49.73
					10,877,189

Collected Amount includes Gross Real Estate collections, rollback, homestead and rollback

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. Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations

A. Personnel

3-47-16

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Kroeger seconded the motion for approval of the following personnel actions:

1. Non-Certificated

- a. Employment, 2015-2016 School Year, Non-Teaching, As Needed, To Be Assigned, Pending Verification of Training, Experience, BCI and FBI Reports

1. Jake Stewart, Home Instruction Tutor, at Tutor Rate \$25.43, Effective 3/2/16

2. Supplementals

- a. Employment - 2015-2016 Supplemental Contracts, Pending Verification of Training, Experience, BCI and FBI Reports, and OHSAA requirements

EMPLOYEE	POSITION	CATEGORY	SEASON	%
Stewart, Jake	Strength Coach	8	2016 Spring	50%
Stewart, Jon	Strength Coach	8	2016 Spring	50%
Vangen, Dale	Reserve Softball	6	2016 Spring	100%

3. Substitute

- a. Employment 2015-2016 School Year, Non-Teaching, As Needed, To Be Assigned, Pending Verification of Training, Experience, BCI and FBI Reports

1. Paula Henderson, Secretary and Cafeteria
2. Kara Jaspers, Bus Driver, Effective 3/10/16
3. Travis Mandery, Mechanic, Effective 3/7/16

B. Approval of 2015-2016 State Testing Tutors, Effective 2/1/16, at Tutor Rate

Morgan		
Castle, Jennifer	Lanham, Lisa	Sawyers, Kalli
Dunn, Dewanna	McEldowney, Anne	Smith, Tara
Gentry, Holly *	Miller, Michelle	Thiem, Lana

* To be paid at Hourly Para Rate

C. Approval of 3-year Administrative Contracts for:

Jesse Kohls	Tom Perry
Chris Saylor	Brian Martin

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. Approval of Revised Board Policy GDBE and Regulation
3-48-16

Mr. Kroeger moved and Mr. Klinefelter seconded the motion for approval of revised board policy GDBE and regulations. (Copy on file in Treasurer's Office)

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. Approval of Occupational Therapist Job Description
3-49-16

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Kroeger seconded the motion for approval occupational therapist job description. (Copy on file in Treasurer's Office)

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. Approval of Boundary Change Between Elda and Morgan Attendance Areas
3-50-16

Mr. Kroeger moved and Mr. Klinefelter seconded the motion for approval of boundary change between Elda and Morgan attendance areas.

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.

IX. Building Project Update

Mr. Young said there have been HVAC issues at the Middle School. The condenser needed to be replaced at Elda and was under warranty for material replacement. Mowing will be starting soon in the district.

X. Straight A Fund Grant Update

Ms. DiBlasi stated there have been Teachnology Sessions in the district and professional development in technology for teachers. The Chromebook replacement schedule has been reviewed and vendors considered for warranties. Storage bags for the Chromebooks and the process for processing them have been reviewed.

XI. Committee Reports

A. Butler Tech Report

Mr. Klinefelter reported that Butler Tech adopted its calendar and will start school on August 10th. Recently a new food service contract was completed.

B. Legislative Report

Mr. Bosse stated there has been good dialogue between the House and Senate Educational Committee. There has been discussion on the table on the role of the Federal Government's involvement in schools and "Every Student Succeeds Act."

XII. Items From The Public

None

XIII. Items From The Board

A. Approval of Search Agreement with Dan Hare Consulting, LLC
3-51-16

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Klinefelter seconded the motion for approval of search agreement with Dan Hare Consulting, LLC.

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. Kroeger commented on the presentation by the Alpha Girls from the Middle School. He felt this was an example of what makes our students special.

XIV. Approval to Move to Executive Session
3-52-16

Mr. Stitsinger moved and Mr. Kroeger seconded the motion for the Board to go into executive session with no action to follow.

The Board went into executive session at 8:45 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 motion carried.

XV. Approval to Leave Executive Session
3-53-16

Mr. Bosse moved and Mr. Kroeger seconded the motion to leave executive session at 9:30 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 motion carried.


XVI. Adjournment
3-54-16

Mr. Bosse moved and Mr. Kroeger seconded the motion to adjourn this meeting at 9:30 p.m.

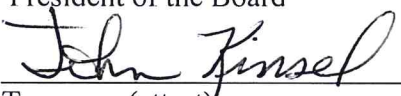
The roll call was as follows:

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

Mr. Stitsinger declared the motion carried.



President of the Board



Treasurer (attest)