

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 25, 2023**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at the Chauncey Office, located at 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

President Jeff Koehler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A moment of silent reflection was held and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Present	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Present
Mr. Mick Davenport	Present	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Present
Mr. John Depoy	Present	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Present
Mr. Gary Dicken	Present	Mr. Mony Wood	Present
Ms. Connie Dugan	Present		

Ex-officio Members: Mr. Covert Absent Mr. Grippa Absent

23-010. Mr. Wood moved to approve the minutes of the Organizational Meeting and Regular Governing Board Meeting held on January 11, 2023. Mr. Dicken seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Goal 1 - The AMESC Governing Board will maintain well-informed members by holding monthly question and answer sessions on a variety of AMESC-related topics, including:

January: Head Start presented by Dawn Hall, Head Start Director

Dawn Hall, Head Start Director, provided the Governing Board Members with Governance training as required by the Office of Head Start. Ms. Hall gave the Members handouts containing pertinent information to the roles and responsibilities of

the Board. The Governing Board is ultimately responsible, both legally and financially, for the program and for safeguarding the funds.

Public Participation

None

Head Start Reports and Recommendations

23-011. Mr. Wheeler moved to approve the following Head Start's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Dawn Hall, Head Start Director:

- A. Approve Monthly Financial Reports.

Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Dawn Hall, Head Start Director, informed the Board Members that the 45-day notice of the Fiscal Review by the Office of Head Start was received and will be conducted the week of March 13, 2023. The windows for the front of the Meigs Early Learning Center have been ordered. Furthermore, if needed, a request can be made for a 12-month extension to expend all of the additional funds granted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

State Support Team Region 16 Director's Reports and Recommendations

No items for Board action at this time.

Krissy Machamer, SST Director, gave the Governing Board an update on the Department's progress.

Executive Session

22-012. Mr. Koehler moved to enter into executive session for the consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, official, or student. Heather Wolfe, Superintendent, and Teresa McGinnis, Treasurer were invited to attend the Executive Session.

Mr. Davenport seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Time into Executive Session: 6:22 p.m.

Time out of Executive Session: 6:25 p.m.

Treasurer’s Reports and Recommendations

No items for Board action at this time.

Superintendent’s Reports and Recommendations

23-013. Mr. Dicken moved to approve the following Superintendent’s Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

- A. Approve a One Year Contract (2022 through 2023) to Amy Ankeney, Paraprofessional at Beacon School, for nine months (187 days prorated) effective January 20, 2023, at the rate of \$13.00 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need. Upon receiving a passing score on the Parapro Assessment Test, a \$2.50 per hour stipend will be added to the hourly rate as per the Agreement with ACBDD, being effective the date the passing score is achieved.
- B. Approve the position transfer of Alicia Rhodes from Cheshire REACH Tutor to Preschool Roaming Substitute for the remainder of the 2022-2023 School Year, effective January 20, 2023, at the daily Substitute Teacher rate of pay of \$100.00, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

- C. Approve rescinding the resignation of Lauren Battin, Cheshire REACH Tutor (originally accepted 1/11/23, #23-008).
- D. Approve the Professional Development Services Agreement between Progressive Mastery Learning, LLC and the Athens-Meigs ESC, in the amount of \$5,000.00, for continued training and support within the Teach Better Ohio Project funded by the RemotEDx grant.

Meigs Local

- E. Approve a One Year Contract (2022 through 2023) to Lane Cullums, as an Alternative School Instructor, 9 months (182 days prorated), effective January 17, 2023, with the first 60 days at the current Meigs Local Substitute Teacher daily rate of pay (\$115.00), no benefits, then being placed on the AMESC Teacher Salary Scale, Bachelors / Step 0 (\$31,212.00 prorated) with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Southern – Perry

- F. Approve a One Year Contract (2022 through 2023) to Shawna Colvin, Paraprofessional, 9 months (188 days prorated), effective January 13, 2023, at the rate of \$12.48 per hour, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- G. Approve a one time payment of \$100.00 to Addison Jackson, a Federal Hocking Local School District student, for original art for the cover of a brochure to be used for the Family and Community Partnership project - CASA/GAL recruitment.
- H. Amend the Service Agreement between the Muskingum Valley ESC and the Athens-Meigs ESC to provide Speech Language Pathologist mentoring services with effective dates of February 1, 2022 through March 1, 2023 with all other terms of Contract remaining the same (originally approved 2/23/22 #22-025 with effective dates of February 1, 2022 through February 1, 2023).

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- I. Amend the One Year Contract (2022-2023) to Erin Bradford, Paraprofessional, to be 27.5 hours per week effective January 17, 2023 with all other terms of Contract remaining the same (originally approved 11/16/22 #22-145 for 17 hours per week).

Mr. Vogt seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeffrey Vogt	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Legislative Report

Ms. Dugan reported that SB178 is through the Senate and in House Committee. The Bill provides provisions to change ODE to ODE and Workforce. Additionally, the Bill gives the Government the authority over non-public schools. Furthermore, ESCs are required to form and oversee Business Advisory Councils (BACs). Heather Wolfe, Superintendent, advised that the Athens-Meigs ESC BAC is improving.

Tri-County Career Center Report

Mr. Dicken reported that the Tri-County Career Center Board of Education conducted their Organizational Meeting appointing Mr. Dicken as President and Mr. Dave Hayden as Vice-President.

Old Business

None

New Business.

None

The next regular Athens-Meigs ESC Governing Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 6:00 p.m., at the Athens-Meigs ESC, 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

23-014. Time 6:45 p.m. Mr. Dicken moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Dugan seconded the motion. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned.

President

Treasurer