

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The organizational meeting of the Board of Education, Napoleon Area City School District, Napoleon, OH was called to order by President Pro Tem Ty Otto on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Napoleon Jr./Sr. High School Media Center.

Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge to the American flag was led by President Pro Tem Ty Otto.

ROLL CALL

Members present for roll call were: M. Bruns, R. Crandall, E. Damman, T. Otto, and M. Wesche.

1. Nominations for President - R23:001

Mr. Ryan Crandall was nominated by Mr. Ty Otto for the office of president of the Board.

Mr. M. Wesche moved, Mrs. M. Bruns seconded the motion to close nominations.

Roll Call: M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, abstain; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes. Motion carried.

2. Vote for President - R23:002

The vote was called for Mr. Ryan Crandall for President.

Roll Call: R. Crandall, abstain; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes. Motion carried.

3. Nominations for Vice President - R23:003

Mr. Michael Wesche was nominated by Mr. Ty Otto for the office of vice president of the Board.

Mrs. M. Bruns moved, Mr. R. Crandall seconded the motion to close nominations.

Roll Call: E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes. Motion carried.

4. Vote for Vice President - R23:004

The vote was called for Mr. Michael Wesche for Vice President.

Roll Call: T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes.
Motion carried.

Results of the Election

President Pro Tem Mr. Ty Otto declared Mr. Ryan Crandall elected president and Mr. Michael Wesche elected vice president for 2023.

5. Adoption of the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Tax Budget - R23:005

Mr. M. Wesche moved, Mrs. E. Damman seconded the motion that the Napoleon Area City Schools Board of Education approve the 2022-2023 fiscal year tax budget of the Napoleon Area City Schools as presented and direct the Treasurer to forward two copies to the auditor of Henry County for review and necessary action of the Henry County Budget Commission.

Roll Call: M. Wesche yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes.
Motion carried.

6. Time and Place of Meeting - R23:006

Mr. T. Otto moved, Mr. M. Wesche seconded the motion that the regular meetings of the Napoleon Area City Schools Board of Education for 2023 be held on the third Wednesday of each month at the Napoleon Jr. /Sr. High School Media Center unless otherwise designated. The time of the meetings shall be 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise designated.

Roll Call: M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes.
Motion carried.

7. Consideration of Board Attorneys - R23:007

Mr. T. Otto moved, Mrs. E. Damman seconded the motion to appoint Richard Fisher of Hanna & Fisher as Board attorney for the Napoleon Area City School District for 2023.

Roll Call: R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes.
Motion carried.

Mr. M. Wesche moved, Mr. R. Crandall seconded the motion to authorize the administration to contract with the law firm of Bricker and Eckler for consultation on legal issues and contract administration on an as needed basis.

Roll Call: E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes.
Motion carried.

Mr. M. Wesche moved, Mrs. M. Bruns seconded the motion to authorize the administration to contract with the law firm of Ennis & Britton for consultation on legal issues and contract administration on an as needed basis.

Roll Call: T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes.
Motion carried.

8. **Employment of Personnel - R23:008**

Mrs. E. Damman moved, Mrs. M. Bruns seconded the motion to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to employ personnel as needed on an emergency basis prior to the next regular meeting of the Board.

Roll Call: M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes.
Motion carried.

9. **Establish Board Service Fund - R23:009**

Mr. R. Crandall moved, Mr. T. Otto seconded the motion to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, ORC 3315.15 provides for the setting aside from the General Fund a sum not to exceed two dollars (\$2.00) per student or \$20,000.00 whichever is larger. Such sum of money to be known as the Service Fund to be used in paying the expenses of members of the Board actually incurred in the performance of their duties or of their official representatives. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Napoleon Area City School District establish a Service Fund, such fund to be set aside as an account within the General Fund and it is hereby appropriated for the purpose of said Service Fund the sum of \$5,000.00 which amount shall be incorporated into the appropriations for this school district for the year 2023.

Roll Call: M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes.
Motion carried.

10. **Advance Draw - R23:010**

Mrs. M. Bruns moved, Mr. M. Wesche seconded the motion to authorize the Treasurer to make advance draws, when available, in amounts available from the Henry County Auditor until the 2024 organizational meeting.

Roll Call: R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes.
Motion carried.

11. **Invest Active and Interim Funds - R23:011**

Mr. R. Crandall moved, Mr. M. Wesche seconded the motion to authorize the Treasurer to invest active and interim funds as such funds become available during 2023. Interest received from such investments to be posted per Resolutions 97-100 and 97-123.

Roll Call: E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes.
Motion carried.

12. **Appoint Legislative Liaison - R23:012**

Mr. T. Otto moved, Mr. M. Wesche seconded the motion to appoint Mrs. E. Damman as legislative liaison for 2023. OSBA recommends the appointment of a legislative liaison to coordinate and disseminate information from the legislative activities during the coming legislative general assembly session.

Roll Call: T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, abstain. Motion carried.

13. **Public Records Appointee - R23:013**

Mr. M. Wesche moved, Mrs. E. Damman seconded the motion to appoint Michael R. Bostelman as record retention officer for 2023.

Roll Call: M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes.
Motion carried.

14. **Enter Into Contracts - R23:014**

Mr. T. Otto moved, Mr. R. Crandall seconded the motion to allow the Superintendent and Treasurer to enter into contracts up to \$10,000.00 for 2023.
The Superintendent and Treasurer will ratify this action at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting.

Roll Call: M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes.
Motion carried.

**NAPOLEON AREA CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING AGENDA**

January 11, 2023

following the organizational meeting

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. OSBA School Board member recognition

Dr. Erik Belcher thanked the Board members. This Board is impressive in that each decision has the best interest of the kids in mind. Thank you for your service to the community.

CONSENT AGENDA - R23:015

Mr. M. Wesche moved, Mrs. E. Damman seconded the motion to:

1. approve the minutes of the regular Napoleon Area City Schools Board of Education meeting of December 21, 2022 as presented.
2. approve the FMLA leave for Mrs. Chelsea Mouch beginning approximately January 12, 2023 and continuing up to twelve weeks.
3. accept the resignation of Mrs. Jennifer Bergstedt, Assistant Cook/Cashier at Napoleon Jr/Sr High School effective January 2, 2023.
4. approve the following Athletic coaches for the 2022-2023 school year:

Varsity Sports

Varsity Assistants:

Baseball - Matt Hardy (1/2), **Collin Parcher** (1/2)

Baseball – Brandon Cramer

5. pulled for a separate vote by T. Otto.
6. approve the following athletic volunteer coaches for the 2022-2023 school year:

Baseball - Jason Bostelman

Bowling - **Dennis Ehlers**

7. approve the following substitute positions for the 2022-2023 school year:

Vickie Digby – Secretary - Effective December 20, 2022

Ashley Kryder - Cafe, Secretary - Effective January 4, 2023

8. approve the substitute list for teachers and paraprofessionals from the Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center for the 2022-2023 school year as presented.
9. approve the Napoleon Jr/Sr High School Curriculum Guide for the 2022-2023 school year as presented with changes highlighted in yellow.

10. approve the 2023-2024 Napoleon Area City Schools district calendar as presented.

11. accept the following donations:

Napoleon Area City Schools

A donation of \$400.00 from Brubaker's Moped Sales to Napoleon Area City Schools lunch program.

Napoleon Jr/Sr High School

A donation of \$1,500.00 for the Henry County Classic Sponsorship from Meyer Badenhop Insurance to the Napoleon High School athletic department.

A donation of four yearbooks entitled "The Buckeye" editions 1916, 1922, 1940, and 1942 from Mr. Roger Rex to the Napoleon Jr/Sr High School.

12. accept the financial reports as presented in Exhibits A-D.

13. accept the budget, revenue transactions, and new accounts as presented in Exhibit E.

DISCUSSION

M. Wesche: Item #9 - We added a couple courses for vocational agriculture. Ryan, why are we adding those and are there related courses? What effect could the Wildcat Activity Center have on the program?

R. Wilde: We started a couple of years ago looking at ways to get students involved with this as an enrichment class. This class led to discussion for a full vo-ag program. The WAC could accommodate a robust vo-ag program. We also talked with the science department and we have teachers who were licensed for the classes we are offering.

M. Wesche: Starting with these two classes in grades 10-12, but the plan is to expand course offerings as well as grade span being served.

R. Wilde: Out of 124 open enrolled out, 30 students are participating in vo-ag, so yes at a minimum, grades 8-12.

M. Wesche: WAC would include vo-ag space. So we would have a need for that in the WAC.

R. Wilde: Yes, it would be wise for us to have a facility to expand the program.

E. Damman: There are several electives they can choose. Do we highlight new courses?

R. Wilde: I met with the counselors and they highlighted the new courses with students.

Roll Call: R. Crandall, yes; E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes.
Motion carried.

Item #5 - R23:016

Mr. M. Wesche moved, Mrs. M. Bruns seconded the motion to:

5. approve the following Athletic coaches for the 2023-2024 school year:

Varsity Sports

Head Coach:

Cross Country (Boys) - Jeff Ressler

Cross Country (Girls) - Trisha Otto

Football - Tyler Swary

Golf (Girls) - Branden Turner

Soccer (Boys) - Chris DeFavero

Roll Call: E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, abstain; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes.
Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

R23:017

Mr. M. Wesche moved, Mr. T. Otto seconded the motion to:

1. RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH AN ISSUE OF BONDS AND LEVY OF AN ADDITIONAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION AND CERTIFYING THE SAME TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

(Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.218)

WHEREAS, the Board, at its meeting on December 21, 2022, passed a resolution (the “Resolution of Necessity”) declaring that it is necessary to issue bonds in the amount of \$21,500,000 (the “Bonds”) for the purpose of constructing school facilities and renovating and expanding existing school facilities, including a new multi-purpose building for school and community use; furnishing and equipping the same; and improving the sites thereof, and that it is necessary that a direct tax be annually levied on all the taxable property in the School District outside of the ten-mill limitation to meet the debt charges on the Bonds and any securities issued in anticipation thereof; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor of Henry County, Ohio (the “County Auditor”) has certified to the Board that an estimated average annual property tax levy of 3.10 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which is \$108.50 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s appraised value, will be required to pay the debt charges on the Bonds throughout their stated maturity; and

WHEREAS, the Board also determined in the Resolution of Necessity that it is necessary, in order to pay for current operating expenses of the School District, to levy an additional tax (the “Levy”) in excess of the ten-mill limitation at the rate of 4.50 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$157.50 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s appraised value, for five years; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor has certified to the Board that the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the Levy during the first year of collection is \$1,851,907.55, based on the current taxable value of the School District of \$411,535,010;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Napoleon Area City School District, Henry County, Ohio, two-thirds of all of the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. It is necessary to proceed with the issuance of the Bonds and approval of the Levy in the amounts and for the purposes described in the preambles to this Resolution, and to levy, outside of the ten-mill limitation provided by law, an annual tax on all the taxable property in the entire territory of the School District to pay debt charges on the Bonds and any securities issued in anticipation thereof.

Section 2. The Bonds shall be dated approximately July 1, 2023; shall bear interest at the estimated rate of 6.25% per annum; and shall be paid over a period not to exceed 37 years as calculated under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 133.

Section 3. The question of issuing the Bonds and approving the Levy shall be submitted to all of the electors in the entire territory of the School District at the election to be held therein on May 2, 2023. All of the territory of the School District is located in Henry County, Ohio.

Section 4. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE VOTE IS NECESSARY FOR PASSAGE

Shall the Napoleon Area City School District be authorized to do the following:

(1) Issue bonds for the purpose of constructing school facilities and renovating and expanding existing school facilities, including a new multi-purpose building for school and community use; furnishing and equipping the same; and improving the sites thereof in the principal amount of \$21,500,000, to be repaid annually over a maximum period of 37 years, and levy a property tax outside the ten-mill limitation, estimated by the county auditor to average over the bond repayment period 3.10 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$108.50 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, to pay the annual debt charges on the bonds, and to pay debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds?

(2) Levy an additional property tax to pay current operating expenses, that the county auditor estimates will collect \$1,851,908 annually, at a rate not exceeding 4.50 mill for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$157.50 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for 5 years?

_____ FOR THE BOND ISSUE AND LEVY _____

	AGAINST THE BOND ISSUE AND LEVY
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Section 5. The Treasurer of the Board is directed to certify a copy of this Resolution, along with copies of the Resolution of Necessity and the certificates of the County Auditor, to the Board of Elections of Henry County, Ohio (the “Board of Elections”) on or before January 24, 2023. The Treasurer of the Board is directed and shall simultaneously certify to the Board of Elections that the Levy will be levied for five years and that the Levy shall be placed upon the tax list and duplicate for the current tax year (commencing in 2023, first due in calendar year 2024) if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

DISCUSSION

M. Wesche: Two tax levies, bond and operating (3.1 and 4.5 mils). Are the tax payers going to see a reduction in millage?

M. Bostelman: Yes, we will meet with the county auditor in the future to review the existing bond millage. We anticipate a reduction in our existing bond millage to help offset this request.

T. Otto: With the multi-purpose building, besides vo-ag, what will community use be like?

E. Belcher: The community focus groups said to do it right and have community availability. We want to base it on the Lincolnview model. The building would be open seven days a week and be accessible with a key fob. Community input would be sought on hours and usage.

Roll Call: E. Damman, yes; T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes.
Motion carried.

R23:018

Mrs. M. Bruns moved, Mr. T. Otto seconded the motion to:

2. RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION.

(R.C. Sections 5705.03, 5705.23)
Additional Library Operating Levy

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees of the Napoleon Public Library, Henry County, Ohio (the “Library”), a public library subject to the jurisdiction of the School District, has passed a resolution requesting the School District to seek voter approval of an additional tax levy for current expenses of the Library;

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WHEREAS, the Henry County Auditor has certified that such tax will generate \$205,804.81 during the first of collection, based on the current assessed valuation of the School District of \$411,609,620;

WHEREAS, this Board rescinds the resolution it previously passed December 21, 2022 regarding this matter due to typographical error;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Napoleon Area City School District, Henry County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. It is necessary to levy an additional tax in excess of the ten mill limitation for current expenses of the Library.

Section 2. The question of such additional tax levy shall be submitted to all the electors of the School District at the election to be held therein on May 2, 2023. All of the School District is located in Henry County, Ohio. The Library shall reimburse the School District for costs of the election as certified by the Board of Elections of Henry County.

Section 3. Such additional tax levy shall be at a rate not exceeding one-half (0.50) mill for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$17.50 for each \$100,000 of the County Auditor's appraised value, for a continuing period of time.

Section 4. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

“An additional tax for the benefit of the Napoleon Public Library, Henry County, Ohio for the purpose of current expenses of the Library, that the County Auditor estimates will collect \$205,804.81 annually, at a rate not exceeding one-half mill for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$17.50 for each \$100,000 of the County Auditor's appraised value, for a continuing period of time, commencing in 2023, first due in calendar year 2024.”

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Section 5. This Board finds, determines and declares that the levy of the additional tax, if approved by the electors, is necessary to the proper furnishing and rendering of free public library services in the School District and for the residents of the School District.

Section 6. Such additional tax levy shall be placed upon the tax list and duplicate for the 2023 tax year, if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof.

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Section 7. The Treasurer of the School District shall be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Board of Elections of Henry County, Ohio, not later than February 1, 2023.

Section 8. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

M. Bostelman: This is a typographical correction to our December resolution.

Roll Call: T. Otto, yes; M. Wesche, yes; M. Bruns, yes; R. Crandall, yes, E. Damman, yes.
Motion carried.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND FINANCE

FOR BOARD AGENDA January-23
INTEREST EARNED
MONTH: December

TYPE	AMOUNT	FUND	INT. RATE	INVESTED	SOLD/DUE	INTEREST
PAYROLL	0.00	GENERAL	N/A			0.00
SUPER NOW	5,004,699.01	VARIOUS	0.23%			824.47
SUPER NOW	12,715.86	ST. AUG	0.23%			2.09
SUPER NOW	18,051.58	ST. JOHN	0.23%			2.97
SUPER NOW	50,341.73	ST. PAUL	0.23%			8.29
PREMIER BANK ICS	11,627,919.11	VARIOUS	4.21%			40,300.52
STAR OHIO	4,667,723.43	VARIOUS	4.58%			16,595.77
STAROhio-Local Funds	1,529,885.47	Construction	4.58%			<u>5,439.40</u>
					TOTAL	<u>63,173.51</u>

ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS

W. Nashu: There was no corrective action in our special education profile.

A. Niese: Students are taking the I-ready assessments in grades 3-6. We are hearing positive comments from our kids and staff regarding the test. Right to Read week, Father/Daughter Dance and the Dodgeball Tournament are coming up.

M. Dietrich: We are also doing the I-ready tests. A 2003 graduate Robert Culpepper will come back to speak with kids about financial literacy.

C. Niekamp: The lights in front of the elementary are ongoing but hopefully will be done by the end of the month as long as supplies show up.

R. Wilde: We are offering foreign language exploration classes which are based more on culture rather than language. We offering a mathematical reasoning course, and also we are looking at internships and work release as ways to receive credit.

OTHER BUSINESS AND CONCERNS

1. The regular February meeting of the Board is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., in the multi media room of Napoleon Jr. /Sr. High School.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

[The school board and administrative staff encourage and appreciate citizen interest in meetings of the board of education. This section of the agenda is designed to hear the views of citizens about their schools and items on the agenda. Persons wishing to address the board may make written requests in advance of the meeting or indicate their name, address and the item which they wish to address. Each speaker is asked to address the board so the speaker's remarks may be clearly heard. The speaker should give his or her name and address and limit comments to three minutes. We provide a time for citizen remarks at every regular meeting. At no time do we allow particular grievances about an employee to be aired. These remarks will be declared to be out of order and will be terminated when they are made about a specific employee. Any such discussion is not allowed in a public meeting, but may be discussed in an executive session at the board's discretion. Board members may ask questions of the speaker for information or clarification and may or may not make comments in response to a speaker's remarks. No board member has the power or authority to act for the board; therefore, no response from an individual board member should be interpreted as an official action. Requests for information about any subject should be made in writing to the board president or superintendent. Requests for information at the board meeting will be referred to the superintendent for review and report to the board. Thank you for your cooperation.]

Stephanie Homan, Tim Reynolds, Jen Lazenby, Ryan Wilde, Adam Niese, Cory Niekamp, Wendy Nashu, Matt Dietrich, Tootie Bockelman, Curt Lydy.

T. Bockelman: Had a successful fundraiser over the holidays at the basketball tournaments. The money goes to Morley's Field Scholarship Committee.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

E. Damman: Bills signed - HB 45 -1.7 billion in ESSER appropriation released and 112 million for school safety. HB 554 - The State Board of Education to allow two-year temporary license for those with expired licenses that meet certain requirements.

FOUR COUNTY CAREER CENTER REPORT

M. Bruns: The meeting was short last week. Brian Baker is the President and legislative liaison. Deb Gerken is the vice president. February is career tech education month.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

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E. Damman: Congratulations to Ryan Crandall as Board President. Thank you to the Administrators for the updates and reports.

T. Otto: Congratulations to Ryan Crandall as Board President. Thank you Tootie for your hard work.

M. Bruns: Congratulations to Ryan Crandall as Board President.

M. Wesche: Congratulations to Ryan Crandall as Board President. Thank you to Ty for your service as president and your hard work.

R. Crandall: Thank you Ty for the mentorship. My children have been talking about I-ready tests at home.

ADJOURNMENT - R23:019

Being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. T. Otto moved, Mrs. M. Bruns seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned by consensus of the Board at 7:55 p.m.

Attest: _____
Treasurer, Board of Education

Signed: _____
President, Board of Education