

The Lowellville Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, June 22, 2022 in the Library; President Stephanie Yon presiding. Mrs. Yon called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Stephanie Yon - Present Gerald Dubos - Present
Jennifer Johnson - Present Joseph Sturm - Present
Brian Wharry - Present

(22-06-8147)

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Minutes:

(22-06-8148)

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Treasurer's Report:

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Treasurer's Recommendations:

(22-06-8149)

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(22-06-8150)

2. It is recommended that the Board approve the final appropriations for fiscal year 2022 and direct the Treasurer to file the final amended certificate (to be submitted to the Mahoning County Auditor):

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(22-06-8151)

3. It is recommended that the Board approve the following federal programs for the 2023 Fiscal Year:

572/2023 Title I 516/9023 IDEA B
590/2023 Title II-A 584/9023 Title IV-A
587/9023 IDEA Early Childhood 507/9022 ESSER II
507/9023 ESSER III

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Jennifer Johnson seconded by Joseph Sturm.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
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(22-06-8152)

4. It is recommended that the Board accept the following contract renewals:

- The Nutrition Group – one year contract, July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8153)

5. It is recommended that the Board approve the following transfer of funds:

- 300-9220 (AD Fundraisers) to 300-9225 (Athletic Account) - \$8,000.00
- (General Fund) to 300-9225 (Athletic Account) - up to \$52,510.72

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Brian Wharry.

Mr. Schiraldi clarified that these transfers are to cover overages in general athletic fund expenses and bring the account back to zero.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8154)

6. It is recommended that the Board cancel the credit card issued to Eugene Thomas and issue a credit card per Board Policy DJH to Christine Sawicki:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

Principal's Report:

1. Congratulations to all of our track athletes on their accomplishments at state.
 - Our girls 4X800M relay team consisting of Savannah Procick, Sophia Yon, Hadassah Rivera and Sophia Melillo placed 15th overall
 - Our 4X400M relay team consisting of Giovanni Docherty, Vinny Ballone, Jim Clinton and Michael Ballone placed 7th overall

- In the 300M hurdles, Michael Ballone placed 9th overall.
 - In the 100M hurdles, Michael Ballone placed 4th overall
 - In the 1600M run, Sophia Yon placed 5th overall and broke her school record once again
2. The Avenger Academy is in full swing. They have been meeting weekly and planning for next year.
 3. Literacy Boot Camp for grades 1 and 2 (invite only) is scheduled for August 1st-12th from 9AM to 12PM. Literacy Boot Camp will work on foundational reading skills/explicit phonics instruction to help close reading gaps.
 4. The custodians are hard at work getting the building ready for the upcoming school year. The elementary side should be done by the end of June. The high school side by the end of July. Carpet cleaning is scheduled for July.
 5. The gym floors will be refinished the last 2 weeks of July.
 6. A reminder that the golf outing will be Sunday, August 7th at Bedford Trails. Registration begins at 7AM with golfers teeing off at 8AM. \$340.00 a team/\$85.00 individual
 7. Bob Ballone will begin July 1 as AD and will be the point of contact for all athletics.
 8. We are putting the finishing touches on the calendar of events for the year and will share it with you in July.

Superintendent's Report:

1. Superintendent Ad-Hoc Safety Committee – Mrs. Sawicki noted that safety is being taken very seriously and changes will be forthcoming. Surveys will be going out to parents, students, and staff for community input. Mr. Sturm and Mr. Wharry will be representing the Board on the Ad-Hoc Safety Committee
2. Congratulations to the track athletes who competed at State
3. We are still working on filling vacancies for the upcoming year (intervention specialist, special education aides, bus drivers, anticipated vacancy in second grade, anticipated vacancy for building secretary/EMIS Coordinator and Central Office Secretary)
4. We are working to submit all end of year reports to the Ohio Department of Education such as the HB 123 Safety Plan, Bullying Tip line reports, Education Connection reports, and CCIP is due. Mrs. Sawicki provided additional details on the Bullying Tip Line and how it is a 24-hour anonymous service that the community can utilize. Mrs. Yon noted that this was an item that came from previous Safety Committees and Mrs. Sawicki noted that it's now a requirement for schools and an annual report is also required.
5. In the process of assessing the needs of the district in order to prioritize items that need to be completed.

Committee Reports:

1. Buildings/Grounds/Safety – Mr. Sturm updated the Board that the committee reviewed minor and major fixes that are needed including landscaping, football field areas, fences, and trophy cases. Camera updates are already underway, and HVAC is a major upgrade that is needed due to having outdated components. Mr. Dubos noted that there is a lack of communication regarding maintenance of the grounds.

The District is looking for a way to put someone in charge of Buildings and Grounds. Mrs. Sawicki talked about having available staff and developing a maintenance schedule/checklist. Mr. Dubos went into additional detail about the camera upgrades. Mr. Schriener noted that these upgrades will allow the district to go from using 2 servers to everything being on the same one and will add additional cameras. Mrs. Johnson clarified that the additional cameras will provide coverage for areas we previously did not have it for.

2. Academics – Mrs. Johnson updated the Board that the committee went through Handbook updates and final drafts will be recommended to the Board. Mrs. Sawicki noted that they are waiting to potentially add some safety information. Mrs. Johnson added that the committee went over revisions to the school calendar and discussed the CCP Academy including enrollment and using EGCC and YSU. Mrs. Parry noted that there were approximately 46 students enrolled. Mrs. Johnson also noted that the district plans on purchasing 160 additional Chromebooks, the need to develop a capital plan for major asset purchases, and noted that the committee discussed communication between staff, students, and parents.

3. Finance – Mrs. Johnson updated the Board that the committee discussed the recommendation to put a levy on the November ballot and the timeline for approving resolutions. They discussed ways to improve the campaign, developing a communication plan, and provide more specifics. She noted that the committee also discussed substitute costs and recommended utilizing the Mahoning Valley COG which will provide flexibility along with a bigger pool of candidates. Additional details were provided on the capital plan development and regarding expenses that were already identified.

4. Extracurricular/club committee – Mrs. Yon updated the Board that the committee discussed revising Board policy for coaching, regarding how many years a coach needs to be out of school. Mrs. Sawicki added that the policy has been used inconsistently and that policies need to be followed. This specific policy might be revised, and a recommendation would be forthcoming if that's the case. Mrs. Yon noted that the athletics handbook and who it's for was discussed and they will be developing one for students and one for coaches/advisors. The committee also discussed clarification on job descriptions and supplementals, setting expectations, and volunteers being Board approved.

Old Business:

1. Substitute Teacher Pay – This item was covered under the Finance Committee section, and it was reiterated that the district will utilize the Mahoning Valley COG for substitutes.

2. Banner for Music – Mr. Sammartino noted that he and Mr. Antonucci picked out a banner and are awaiting a quote.

New Business:

Mrs. Yon presented the need to look at Superintendent and Treasurer Evaluations and the tools used to conduct them. She would like the Board in conjunction with the Superintendent and Treasurer to rework the tools and set expectations.

Mr. Dubos presented that the Board needs to schedule a time to review Board policies. The Board discussed this issue and how to go about reviewing them. Mrs. Sawicki recommended having a Board work session to start going through and discussing policies. The Board agreed.

President's Report:

1. Public comment on agenda items or other school related issues
Michele Farina – Asked when surveys would be going out. Mrs. Sawicki provided an estimate as they were still being developed.

Regan Harding – Inquired as to what funding is going towards safety. Mr. Sturm noted that this was being discussed and Mrs. Sawicki added that certain items are already in place.

Casey Stabinski – Addressed the Board regarding her child entering kindergarten. Stated that she would appreciate communication from the district beforehand to let the community know work is being done regarding safety as she currently is nervous about sending her children. Mr. Wharry noted that a lot is being discussed and actions will come. He added that the safety committee is ongoing. Mrs. Johnson added that the committee work is important, and changes are not all obvious. Casey Stabinski added that she did not vote for the levy because she did not hear about it, so the campaign improvements are needed.

(22-06-8155)

2. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the purchase of cameras from Data Com based on the provided quote:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Gerald Dubos.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8156)

3. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the resolution to purchase Chromebooks at no more than \$55,000.00:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Gerald Dubos.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8157)

4. It is recommended that the Board move into Executive Session. Moved by Jennifer Johnson, seconded by Joseph Sturm, resolved that the Board of Education of the Lowellville School District adjourn to Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. to discuss:

- ☒ Personnel matters (individuals need not be named)
- ☒ Appointment and/or employment
- ☐ Dismissal
- ☐ Discipline
- ☐ Promotion or demotion
- ☒ Compensation
- ☐ Investigation of charges and/or complaints
- ☐ Purchase or sale of property
- ☐ Conferences with legal counsel related to pending or imminent court action
- ☐ Negotiations
- ☐ Security arrangements
- ☐ Economic Development
- ☐ Matters required to be kept confidential by state or federal law

Action will not be taken

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8158)

5. It is recommended that the Board return from Executive Session and resume Regular Board Meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.

Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

(22-06-8159)

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the following supplemental positions for the 2022-2023 school year and placed at the appropriate step of the Master Contract salary schedule:

Fred Schriener - Ticket Manager

Robert Antonucci- Music Director

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Joseph Strum seconded by Stephanie Yon.

The Board noted that ticketing would be hybrid this year to include online and in-person options.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.

Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8160)

2. It is recommended that the Board approve the following supplementals and placed at the appropriate percentage on the Master Contract provided she/he meet the requirements, prior to working with students, set forth by the Lowellville Board of Education, the Ohio High School Athletic Association and the Ohio Department of Education:

Basketball - Boys JV 11% - Nick Ballone

Basketball- Boys Freshman 8%- Mike Minnie

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Gerald Dubos.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.

Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8161)

3. It is recommended that the Board approve Diane Nord as a Response to Intervention (RTI) teacher and placed at the appropriate step of the master contract. This position is grant funded through ESSER III and will be terminated when the funds are exhausted.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.

Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8162)

4. It is recommended that the Board approve the resignation of Stephanie Novak (building secretary/EMIS Coordinator) effective July 6, 2022 and the payout of any unused vacation days (per diem) upon resignation:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8163)

5. It is recommended that the Board approve the following personnel for the Summer Boot Camp Program for grades 1 & 2. The staff will be paid \$20.72 per hour.

Christina Freed
Megan Anderson

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8164)

6. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Building Use Requests:

- Lowellville Youth Football Organization -Youth football & cheer- Football Field-
August 27, 2022
September 17, 2022
September 24, 2022
- Lowellville American Legion- Annual Picnic- Pavilion/Restrooms
August 20, 2022

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Joseph Sturm seconded by Gerald Dubos.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8165)

7. It is recommended that the Board approve the breakfast and lunch prices for the 2022-2023 school year as submitted:

Breakfast:
Paid- \$0.75
Reduced- \$0.30

Lunch:
K-6 Paid- \$2.25
7-12 Paid- \$2.50
Reduced- \$0.40

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8166)

8. It is recommended that the Board approve the revised district calendar for the 2022-2023 school year as submitted.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-06-8167)

9. It is recommended that the Board enter into a vendor contract with Youngstown State University for the purposes of the College Credit Plus Program for the 2022-2023 school year as submitted:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Joseph Sturm.

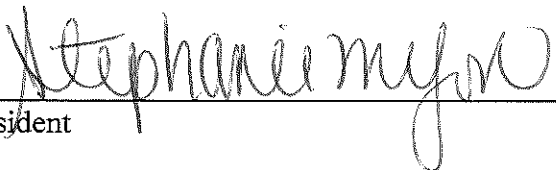
ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
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(22-06-8168)

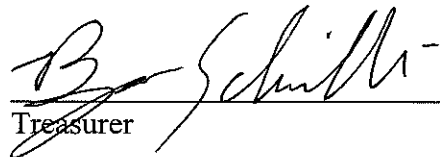
10. Adjournment:

Stephanie Yon moved to adjourn at 9:20 pm. Seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Yon - Dubos –Johnson - Sturm - Wharry - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.



President



Treasurer