

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 22, 2023**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 22, 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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Present	Mr. Mony Wood	Present
Ms. Connie Dugan	Present		

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

23-021. Mr. Dicken moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting held on February 8, 2023. Mr. Wood 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	Absent
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:

February: State Support Team and ODE Office Oversight presented by Krissy Machamer, SST 16 Director

Krissy Machamer, SST 16 Director, gave a presentation to the Governing Board Members about the SST grant agreement and the focus of SST work. The presentation included a detailed description of each department at ODE that

oversees the work of SST and the SST 16 consultants who work on each area of focus.

Public Participation

None

Head Start Reports and Recommendations

23-022. Mr. Depoy moved to approve the following Head Start's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

- A. Approve a One Year Contract (2022 through 2023) to Tara Cooper as a Part Time Center Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Academy, 12 months (prorated), effective February 16, 2023, at the rate of \$11.68 per hour, 27.5 hours per week, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- B. Approve a One Year Contract (2022 through 2023) to Jenna Hess as a Part Time Teacher Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Academy, 12 months (prorated), effective February 16, 2023, at the rate of \$12.60 per hour, 27.5 hours per week, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- C. Approve Monthly Financial Reports.
- D. Approve Triad Environmental Consulting to complete lead paint and water testing at Little Storm Early Learning Academy, Addaville, Hannan Trace, Vinton, Southwestern, Green, Rio Grande and Southern for a cost of \$12,540.00.

Ms. Dugan 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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

State Support Team Region 16 Director's Reports and Recommendations

23-023. Mr. Wood moved to approve the following State Support Team's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Krissy Machamer, SST 16 Director:

- A. Approve out of state travel to the following individuals to attend the Education Visualization and Analytics Solution University Training, in Kary, North Carolina, April 10-14, 2023:
 - 1. Julie Bays, Lead Ohio Improvement Process Consultant
 - 2. Kristina Machamer, Director, SST Region 16

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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Executive Session

None

Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations

No items for Board action at this time.

Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations

23-024. Mr. Vogt moved to approve the following Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

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- A. Amend the One Year Contract (2022 through 2023) to Lauren Battin, REACH Tutor, to be up to 23 hours per week effective February 13, 2023, with all other terms and conditions of contract remaining the same (contract amended 10/26/22 #22-140 to up to 18 hours per week and originally approved 10/12/22 #22-134 for up to 12 hours per week).

- B. Amend the One Year Contract (2022 through 2023) to Brandi Haning, ECE Paraprofessional at the Meigs Early Learning Center, to include a rate of pay of \$12.48 per hour due to verification of previous experience, with all other terms and conditions of contract remaining the same (contract originally approved 2/8/23 #23-019 for \$12.00 per hour).
- C. Approve the Business Advisory Council Joint Statement for Academic Year 2022-2023.

Athens City

- D. Approve the following Career Coaches, up to 130 hours each, with a salary of \$50.00 per hour (up to a total of \$6,500.00 each), no benefits, being effective January 3, 2023 through July 31, 2023:
 1. Kimberly Shuster, Athens City Middle School
 2. Beth Zinn, Athens City High School

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- E. Amend the One Year Contract (2022 through 2023) to Brian (Evin) Stotts, Career Coach, to have a salary of \$46,000 (prorated) (originally approved 12/14/22 #22-152 with a salary of \$46,000).

Nelsonville-York

- F. Amend the One Year Contract (2022 through 2023) to Jennifer L'Heureux to have a salary of \$48,000 (prorated) (originally approved 2/8/23 #23-019 with a salary of \$48,000).

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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Heather Wolfe, Superintendent, reported that the Cheshire REACH location is adding a third classroom, giving need to increase the Tutor's weekly hours as detailed in item A.

Legislative Report

Ms. Dugan reported that the House of Representatives at the federal level is pushing an American Teacher Act which will set the minimum teacher salary to \$60,000 per year. Ohio SB1, which includes the Fair School Funding Formula, is being questioned for using data from 2018 to determine current school funding. Finally, many area schools have had a Title IX complaint filed against them for reasons surrounding the equality of athletics for boys and girls.

Tri-County Career Center Report

Tri-County Career Center currently has 22 programs. 91.2% of the students on a career-tech path are employed following graduation. The financial audit results were reviewed. Connie Altier, Superintendent, is a member of a group working to divide millions of dollars earmarked for Career Tech schools.

Old Business

None

New Business.

None

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

23-025. Time 6:37 p.m. Mr. Dicken moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wood seconded the motion. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned.

President

Treasurer