

VAN WERT CITY SCHOOLS
Board of Education
Organizational Meeting, Budget Hearing and Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 8, 2020 - 5:00 p.m.
First Federal Lecture Hall
Niswonger Performing Arts Center
10700 State Route 118 South, Van Wert, OH 45891

MINUTES

- I. Board of Education Section
 - A. **20.01.001**

Election and appointment of a President Pro-Tem for tonight's Organizational Meeting
Motion was made by Anthony Adams and second by Debby Compton to nominate Scott Mull as President Pro-Temp. Vote: S. Mull, yes; A. Adams, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
 - B. Call to Order and Roll Call by President Pro-Tem **5 members present**
 - C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America
 - D. Election of Officers
 - 1. **20.01.002**

Nominations for and election of Board President for the 2020 calendar year
Motion was made by Debby Compton and second by Scott Mull to nominate Anthony Adams as President for 2020. Vote: S. Mull, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 4-0.
 - 2. **20.01.003**

Nominations for and election of Board Vice-President for the 2020 calendar year
Motion was made by Anthony Adams and second by Tom Losh to nominate Scott Mull as Vice President for 2020. Vote: A. Adams, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 4-0.
 - 3. President's Acceptance (presides over the meeting from this point forward)
 - E. **Appointment** of Board Representatives
 - 1. Representative to the Athletic Council – *Anthony Adams was appointed.*
 - 2. Representative to VWASIG (Van Wert Area School Insurance Group) - *Anthony Adams was appointed.*
 - 3. Representative to the Vantage Board of Education – *Debby Compton was appointed.*
 - 4. OSBA (Ohio School Boards Association) Legislative Liaison / Delegate Capital Conference – *Anthony Adams was appointed.*
 - 5. Alternate Delegate to the OSBA Annual Capital Conference – *Tom Losh was appointed.*
 - 6. Representative to the Neola Policy Development Committee – *Rachel Dickman was appointed.*
 - 7. Representatives to VWAPAF (Van Wert Area Performing Arts Foundation) – *Scott Mull was appointed.*
 - F. Establish dates, times, and place for regular meetings during the 2020 calendar year – *meetings will be held on the 4th Wednesday of each month except for the months of November and December with those meetings being held on the 3rd Wednesday.*

II. **20.01.004**

Resolutions

(All items may be voted on in one motion.)

Motion was made by Scott Mull and second by Rachel Dickman to approve items A-P as presented. Vote: A. Adams, yes; S. Mull, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- A. Approve continued membership in the Ohio School Board Association for calendar year 2020.
- B. The Treasurer of the Board of Education be authorized to request advance draws on tax settlements when available and as needed during the 2020 calendar year.
- C. The Treasurer of the Board of Education be authorized to invest inactive and/or interim funds during the 2020 calendar year.
- D. Authorization to be given to the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriations resolution as bills are received and when the merchandise has been received in good condition.
- E. The Treasurer of Schools to be designated to attend the public records training for the school system in compliance with House Bill 9.
- F. The Superintendent of Schools be appointed as purchasing agent for all funds except athletic and food service funds for the 2020 calendar year within appropriations as approved by the Board of Education.
- G. The Superintendent of Schools or the Superintendent's designee be authorized to approve the use of school busses for non-routine trips for the 2020 calendar year and to establish bus routes and pickup points.
- H. The Superintendent of Schools be authorized to approve professional meeting attendance for certified and classified staff for the 2020 calendar year.
- I. The Superintendent of Schools and Treasurer be authorized to apply for local, state and federal grant programs/funds for the 2020 calendar year.
- J. The Superintendent of Schools to be designated as the approving official to review and approve student activity budgets, including 018 Funds.
- K. The authorization to be given to the Superintendent to employ substitutes and temporary personnel as is needed.
- L. Authorize the Superintendent of Schools to hire staff and accept resignations between board meetings, pending board approval at the next meeting.
- M. The Superintendent of Schools to be designated to approve special education cooperative agreements as necessary.
- N. The Athletic Director to be appointed purchasing agent for athletic account purchases for the 2020 calendar year within appropriations as approved by the Board of Education.
- O. The Food Service Director be appointed purchasing agent for food service purchasing for the 2020 calendar year within appropriations as approved by the Board of Education.
- P. The Board of Education approve the 2021 Tax Budget, as well as tax rates and values, as presented and further that the Tax Budget be filed with the County Auditor prior to January 20, 2020, as required by law.

III. **20.01.005**

SET AGENDA FOR REGULAR JANUARY MEETING

Motion was made by Scott Mull and second by Debby Compton to accept the agenda as presented. Ayes, 5 Nays, 0.

IV. Public Participation

In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of thirty (30) minutes of public participation will be permitted at each meeting.

Each person addressing the Board will give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person will be allotted three (3) minutes until the total time of thirty (30) minutes is used. During the period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board.

- V. Recognize Trent Temple, Certified Athletic Administrator - Bob Priest – *Mr. Priest recognized Athletic Director Trent Temple for earning the distinction as a Certified Athletic Administrator from the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association. By earning the certification, Trent demonstrated his extensive knowledge and expertise in the field of interscholastic athletic administration.*
- VI. Business and Records - Treasurer
A. Financial Update – *Mrs. Mawer shared with the board the December financial statements, checks issued, summary of cash balances by fund, amendments to the FY20 appropriations and lastly, the fiscal year 2021 tax budget.*
- VII. Superintendent's Section – *Ms. Brunn and the building administrators recognized the board members for their commitment and service they provide to the school district. Lastly, Ms. Brunn discussed with the members the resolution they were approving to oppose the State of Ohio EdChoice Scholarship (Voucher) Program.*
- VIII. Board Member Section
A. **20.01.006**
Goedde Building Section One Gymnasium Roof Restoration Project
1. Motion to approve Goedde Building Section One Gymnasium Roof Restoration Project, as presented.
Motion was made by Tom Losh and second by Debby Compton to approve item A1 as presented. Vote: A. Adams, yes; S. Mull, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
B. **20.01.007**
NPAC Annex Addition Project
1. Motion to approve NPAC Annex Addition Project, as presented.
Motion was made by Debby Compton and second by Rachel Dickman to table item B1 as presented. Vote: A. Adams, yes; S. Mull, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 5-0.
- IX. **20.01.008**
Resolutions
(All items may be voted on in one motion.)
Motion was made by Scott Mull and second by Rachel Dickman to approve items A-K as presented. Vote: A. Adams, yes; S. Mull, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- A. Approve the minutes from the December 18, 2019 regular board meeting.
- B. Approve the monthly financial report as presented by the Treasurer.
- C. Approve the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 School Calendars as presented. A public hearing was held at the regular board meeting on December 18, 2019 and the calendars comply with minimum hour requirements in the Ohio Revised Code.
- D. Approve the FY20 Permanent Amended Appropriations, as presented.
- E. Approve the following “then and now certificate.” It is hereby certified that both at the time of the making of this order and at the date of the execution of this certificate the amount required to pay this order has been appropriated for the purpose of this order and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of the fund, free from any previous encumbrance. I recommend that the following invoice \$3,000 and over be authorized for payment by the Van Wert City Board of Education:

Vendor: Energy Optimizers Invoice# 27462 Amount \$28,780.00 Inv Date: 12/30/2019

- F. Acknowledge the following charitable groups, entities, and individuals for their generous donations to the Van Wert City Schools:
 - 1. Ohio Educational Outreach Foundation - High School Robotics (\$600.00)
 - 2. Chris Golliver - High School Choir (\$100.00)
 - 3. Middle School Renaissance:
 - a. Bebout & Houg Roofing & Siding, Inc. (\$25.00)
 - b. Fortman’s Crescent Linen Service LLC (\$50.00)
 - c. Rauch Law Office (\$50.00)
 - d. Dowler Heating & Air Conditioning (\$50.00)
 - e. Van Wert Vision (\$100.00)
 - f. Alspach-Gearhart Funeral Home & Crematory (\$100.00)
 - g. Van Wert Federal Savings Bank (\$100.00)
 - h. First Federal Savings & Loan (\$150.00)
 - i. Valam Hospitality, Inc. (\$250.00)
 - j. Sealscott CPA, Inc. (\$100.00)
 - k. Youngs Trash Service, Ltd. (\$100.00)
 - l. Unverferth Family Dentistry, Inc. (\$50.00)
 - 4. High School Girls Soccer
 - a. Girls Soccer Parents (\$1,006.00)
 - b. Girls Soccer Parents (\$105.00)
- G. Approve a Resolution opposing the State of Ohio EdChoice Scholarship (Voucher) Program, as presented.
- H. Accept the resignation of Gregg Scheidt, High School Custodial/Maintenance Worker, effective January 8, 2020.
- I. Approve Gregg Scheidt as Assistant to the Director of Maintenance, effective January 9, 2020.
- J. Approve the following supplemental coaches, effective the 2019-2020 contract year:
 - 1. Greg Steinecker, High School Girls Head Softball Coach
 - 2. Sean Kennedy, High School Girls Assistant Softball Coach
 - 3. Alex Schmidt, High School Boys Head Tennis Coach
 - 4. Charlie Witten, High School Head Baseball Coach
 - 5. Eric Putman, High School Assistant Baseball Coach
 - 6. Jim Werts, High School JV Baseball Coach
 - 7. Cole Harting, High School Freshman Baseball Coach
 - 8. Jeremy Kitson, High School Volunteer Baseball Coach
 - 9. Mark Collins, High School Boys Head Track & Field Coach
 - 10. Nate Hoverman, High School Girls Head Track & Field Coach
 - 11. Rachel Dickman, High School Volunteer Assistant Track & Field Coach
 - 12. Hannah Philipot, High School Assistant Track & Field Coach

13. Ben Laudick, High School Assistant Track & Field Coach (50%)
14. Kim Laudick, High School Assistant Track & Field Coach (50%)
15. Kerry Koontz, Middle School Track & Field Coach
16. Steve Sealscott, Middle School Track & Field Coach
17. Bob Spath, Middle School Track & Field Coach

K. Approve the following supplemental contract, effective the 2019-2020 contract year:

1. Susie Semer - Middle School Building Leadership Team (BLT)

X. **20.01.009**

Motion to accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Vicki Brunn, Van Wert City Schools Superintendent, effective July 31, 2020.

Motion was made by Tom Losh and second by Debby Compton to approve item X as presented.

Vote: A. Adams, yes; S. Mull, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- XI. This is to inform the Board of Education for the Van Wert City Schools that the following employee shall be advanced on the pay scale due to additional college coursework, effective February 1, 2020:
- A. Frankie Bowen - Masters to Masters+15

- XII. Acknowledge notification from the City of Van Wert of a residential CRA application, as presented:

1. CMS Holdings & Rentals, LLC, Chet Straley - 920 Glenn St., Van Wert, OH 45891

XIII. **20.01.010 Time In: 6:01 p.m. Time Out: 7:50 p.m.**

Executive Session

- A. Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), for the purpose of discussing the employment of public personnel.

Motion was made by Rachel Dickman and second by Tom Losh to approve the request for executive session to the discuss employment of public personnel. Vote: A. Adams, yes; S. Mull, yes; D. Compton, yes; R. Dickman, yes and T. Losh, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

XIV. **20.01.011 Time Out: 7:52 p.m.**

Adjournment **Motion by Tom Losh and second by Debby Compton to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0**

Board President

Fiscal Officer

