

DARKE COUNTY GOVERNING BOARD OF EDUCATION  
HELD AT ANTHONY WAYNE PRESCHOOL  
MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2023

Mr. Larry Besecker, President, called the Regular Meeting of the Darke County Governing Board of Education to order with the following members answering the roll call: Mr. Bateman, Mr. Besecker, Mr. Booher, Mr. James and Mrs. Schmidt were present.

**APPROVAL OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES:**

**8-38-2023**

Motion by: MR. BOOHER, and Seconded by MRS. SCHMIDT to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on Monday, July 10, 2023 and the special meeting held on Monday, July 24, 2023. The motion was approved.

Yea: Mr. Booher, Mrs. Schmidt, Mr. Bateman, Mr. Besecker, and Mr. James

Nay: None

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**8-39-2023**

- A. It was moved by the Board to approve August's financial reports.
- B. It was moved by the Board to approve the Contract of Employment ("Contract") made and entered into by and between the Boards of Education of the Darke County Educational Service Center, National Trail Local School District, and Preble County Educational Service Center, Preble County and Darke County, Ohio, and **Kerry M. Borger** for a term beginning on August 1, 2024 and ending on July 31, 2029. The Treasurer's annual salary shall be the sum of One Hundred Forty-Four Thousand One Hundred Fifteen and 68/100 (\$144,115.68). The Boards agree to the following share of the salary and fringe benefits as well as all other employee related expenses: Darke ESC – 27.22%, National Trail – 40.99%, Preble ESC – 31.79%.

Motion by: MR. BATEMAN, and Seconded by MR. JAMES to approve the monthly treasurer reports and contract given by the Treasurer. Motion approved.

Yea: Mr. Bateman, Mr. James, Mr. Besecker, Mr. Booher and Mrs. Schmidt

Nay: None

**APPROVAL OF SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**8-40-2023**

- A. It was moved by the Board to employ the following individuals as paraprofessionals for the 2023-2024 school year for 185-day contract pending background checks and proper licensure:
  - Stacie Carder – Step 7
  - Andrea Dafler – Step 7
  - Sarah Stewart – Step 6
  - Linda Hart – Step 3
  - Rebekah Hampton – Step 4
- B. It was moved by the Board to employ Kori Smith as an intern paraprofessional at Anthony Wayne Preschool for the 2023-2024 school year.
- C. It was moved by the Board to accept the resignation of Janelle Rismiller as paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year as she was previously hired at the Board meeting on July 24, 2023 as a certified teacher for the 2023-2024 school year.

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- D. It was moved by the Board to approve the resignation of Ashley Burke, Paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year.
- E. It was moved by the Board to approve the resignation of Bethany Clark, Paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year.
- F. It was moved by the Board to approve the following certified/temporary substitute teachers for the 2023-2024 school years and substitute paraprofessionals for AW and DCESC pending proper licensure and background checks.
- G. It was moved by the Board to approve Mr. Larry Besecker as the OSBA delegate to attend the 2023 annual business meeting at Capital Conference and Ms. Caroline Schmidt as the alternate.
- H. It was moved by the Board to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Educational Service Center of Central Ohio for one HQIM and one Math Specialist in the amount of \$30,000.

Motion by: MR. JAMES, and Seconded by MR. BOOHER to approve the superintendent recommendations. Motion approved.

Yea: Mr. James, Mr. Booher, Mr. Bateman, Mr. Besecker and Mrs. Schmidt

Nay: None

**SUPERINTENDENT’S DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- A. Mr. Atchley and the Board toured the facility and discussed the updates of the preschool that have been done.

**APPROVAL TO ADJOURN**

**8-41-2023**

Motion by: MR. JAMES, and Seconded by MR. BATEMAN to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Motion approved.

Yea: Mr. James, Mr. Bateman, Mr. Besecker, Mr. Booher and Mrs. Schmidt

Nay: None.

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DCESC Board President

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DCESC Treasurer