

### **Regular Meeting Poland Board of Education held September 20, 2023**

The Regular meeting of the Poland Board of Education was held on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, at Dobbins Board of Education Room, 3030 Dobbins Road, Poland, Ohio 44514.

Vice President, Mrs. Dominic called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present for roll call and answering their names were Mrs. Dominic, Mrs. Elia, Mr. Polis and Mr. Warren. Absent: Dr. Dinopoulos.

Pledge of Allegiance

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- Elinor Zedaker – 70 Poland Manor, Poland, OH – Made a comment regarding the student handbook regarding dress code. Commended the changes made regarding personal communication devices. Lastly, has not heard anything regarding the upcoming bond issue.

#### **Treasurer/CFO Recommendations: Janet Muntean**

Moved by Mr. Polis and seconded by Mr. Warren to approve the following 1-4 Financial recommendations as presented: **Resolution #2023-81**.

#### **Financials**

1. The Board approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of August 16, 2023, and the Work Session meeting of September 6, 2023
2. The Board approves the Financial Report of August 2023 as submitted.
3. The Board approves the FY24 Official Certificate of Estimated Resources and Amended Appropriations and authorizes the Treasurer to submit to the Mahoning County Budget Commission for certification of all funds.
4. The Board approves the 2023-2024 Budget and Purpose Statement for the following Activity and/or Club Accounts.
  - PSHS
  - PMS
  - McKinley
  - Community Engagement
  - Exceptional Student

Roll call: Members present voting aye. Motion passed 4-0. Absent: Dr. Dinopoulos

**Treasurer/CFO Recommendations Not Included in Consent**

**Authorization to Transfer Funds – Resolution #2023-82**

Mrs. Elia moved, and Mr. Polis seconded with Mrs. Dominic and Mr. Warren voting aye to authorize the Treasurer to transfer funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the General Fund to the Speech and Debate Fund. Motion passed 4-0. Absent: Dr. Dinopoulos.

**Superintendent’s Recommendations: Craig Hockenberry**

Moved by Mr. Warren and seconded by Mr. Polis to approve the following 1-10 HR/Staffing recommendations as presented; **Resolution #2023-83.**

**HR/Staffing**

1. The Board approves the following supplemental contracts for the following certified staff for the 2023-24 school year:
  - Pam Angelilli - Resident Educator Mentor Year 2 (Alexis Bishop)
  - Pam Angelilli - Resident Educator Mentor Year 2 (Tyler DeBolt)
  - Pam Angelilli - Resident Educator Mentor Year 1 - (Austin Cline)
  
2. The Board accept the following supplemental resignations for the 2023-2024 school year:
  - Adam Dwinnells - Speech & Debate Coach
  - Alex Sanders - Speech & Debate Coach
  
3. The Board approves the following individuals to fill the supplemental contract positions listed for the 2023-2024 school year and to be awarded the applicable supplemental and/or pupil activity contracts.
  - Abigail Faix - Asst. Speech and Debate Coach
  - Michael Appugliese - Asst. Speech and Debate Coach
  - Ritsa Kerpelis - HS Student Council
  
4. The Board approves the following non-teaching individuals to be placed on the approved list for the 2023-2024 school year substitute basis only, according to the wage rate for the assignment designated; all required reports are on file, unless noted.
  - Frank Esposito - Custodial Substitute/Seasonal Lawn Crew
  - Robert Barnhart -Custodial Substitute/Seasonal Lawn Crew
  - Mark Donnadio - Custodial Substitute
  - Johnna Clark- Cafeteria Sub
  
5. The Board approves the following CBI Student Employee as per schedule for the 2023-2024 school year. (Effective August 22, 2023)
  - Joshua Jolliff - PSHS Maintenance- \$4.75/Day (Second Year Worker)
  - Vincent Colla - PSHS Cafeteria - \$4.00/Day
  - Brandon Dragovich - PSHS Cafeteria - \$4.00/Day
  - Natalie Hughes - PSHS Cafeteria - \$4.00/Day

6. The Board authorizes the Treasurer to pay any PEA member who performs Detention Monitoring Service during the 2023-2024 school year according to the Board approved payment schedule.
7. The Board approves the following individual for the classified 3.75 monitor position for the 2023-2024 school year pending all required reports. Effective 9/5/2023.  
Stephanie Day
8. The Board approves the following classified employee for the 2023-2024 school year with receipt of all required reports on file:  
Richard Parke - 4 Hour Bus Driver
9. The Board approves the following recommendation for Volunteering at McKinley Elementary for the 2023-2024 school year. The volunteer will have all required credentials on file, including BCI & FBI checks, prior to working with any Poland Student.  
Sue Ann Niro
10. The Board approves the following individual for the Attendance Secretary Position, 10-month Secretary, for the 2023-2024 school year, effective October 2, 2023. Also, authorize the Treasurer to compensate for any transition hours performed prior to the October 2, 2023, contract effective date at the employees' hourly rate of pay.

Roll call: Members present voting aye. Motion passed 4-0. Absent: Dr. Dinopoulos

**Superintendent's Recommendations: Craig Hockenberry**

Moved by Mr. Warren and seconded by Mrs. Elia to approve the following 1-2 Curriculum/Instruction recommendations as presented: **Resolution #2023-84.**

**Curriculum/Instruction**

1. The Board approves the following two (2) Preschool job descriptions.  
After School Assistant Director  
After School Support Staff

2. The Board approves the Poland Schools Testing Calendar for the 2023-2024 School Year.

**Poland Schools 2023-2024 Ohio State Testing Dates**

Test	Poland Schools Testing Window	Specific Grades	Special Notes
3rd Grade Fall ELA	October 23-27, 2023	3	
Fall End of Course Assessments	Dec 11-Jan 12, 2023	PSHS	
OELPA	Jan 29- March 22, 2024	K-12	
Alternate Assessment	February 26- April 19, 2024	K-12	
ACT	February 27, 2024		Grade 11 Students PSHS
Spring OST_ELA Testing Window	April 8-26, 2024	3-12	Grades 3-8 ELA ELA 10 (II)
Spring OST_Math/ Science/SS Window	Testing Dates April 22- May 10, 2024	3-12	Grades 3-8 Math, Science 5,8, Algebra, Geometry Biology US Government, US History

Roll call: Members present voting aye. Motion passed 4-0. Absent: Dr. Dinopoulos

**Superintendent’s Recommendations: Craig Hockenberry**

Moved by Mr. Polis and seconded by Mr. Warren to approve the following 1- 4 Operations recommendation as presented: **Resolution #2023-85.**

**Operations**

1. The Board approves the list of In lieu of Transportation - Exhibit A per resolution adopted August 16, 2023.

In Lieu of Transportation  
Student List  
2023/2024  
School Year

First Name	Last Name	Grade	Parents	Address	Phone #	School	Contract Mailed	
1	Leen	Alababseh	1	Rya Alababseh	6654 Shawlutte	330-501-7061	Islamic Academy of Youngstown	
2	Giovanni	Aiken	4	Rachel Aiken	8246 Bendemeer Dr.	330-881-3097	Akiva Academy	
3	Sina	Angelilli	2	Deanna Genova	2730 Cobliertz Dr.	330-727-3807	St. Charles School	
4	Vincenzo	Angelilli	3	Deanna Genova	2730 Cobliertz Dr.	330-727-3807	St. Charles School	
5	Mary	Baker	22	June Baker	22 Water St.	330-757-7817	Hearthland Christian School	
6	Micah	Bender	KG	Amy Bender	222 Evergreen Dr.	330-540-6150	Hearthland Christian School	
7	Finley	Blackann	7	Alexa & Joshua Blackann	7575 Edgewood Oval	230-509-4665	Lewis Center for Gifted Learning	
8	Harrison	DeLuca	9	Melissa DeLuca	3624 Polo Blvd.	330-770-4149	Ursuline High School	
9	Bella	Drokin	11	Sarah Drokin	72 Poland Manor	330-933-9333	Hearthland Christian School	
10	Capri	Drokin	8	Sarah Drokin	72 Poland Manor	330-933-9333	Hearthland Christian School	
11	Ellie	Drokin	4	Sarah Drokin	72 Poland Manor	330-933-9333	Hearthland Christian School	
12	Brooklyn	Frook	6	Heather Frook	3943 Via Sierra	330-397-7247	Hearthland Christian School	
13	Nianno	Hazimhalls	11	Evangelia Hazimhalls	3234 Glde Winter Trail	330-402-0367	Ursuline High School	
14	Joanie	McNally	11	Melissa McNally	7287 Oak Dr.	330-727-9844	Ursuline High School	
15	John	McNally	12	Melissa McNally	7287 Oak Dr.	330-727-9844	Ursuline High School	
16	Allison	Morris	11	Amy Morris	4598 Glde Charted Trl.	740-275-7309	Hearthland Christian School	
17	Marissa	Rapp	11	Theresa Rapp	8638 Fairweather Trl.	330-720-4691	Ursuline High School	
18	Abigail	Rhodes	6	Meagan Rhodes	7340 North Lima Rd.	330-428-7716	Hearthland Christian School	
19	Nicolas	Rhodes	4	Meagan Rhodes	7340 North Lima Rd.	330-428-7716	Hearthland Christian School	
20	Michael	Schorsten	9	Katie & Mike Schorsten	40 Green Meadow Pl	330-509-2001	St. Charles School	
21	Nicholas	Schorsten	7	Katie & Mike Schorsten	40 Green Meadow Pl	330-509-2001	St. Charles School	
22	Zachary	Schorsten	5	Katie & Mike Schorsten	40 Green Meadow Pl	330-509-2001	St. Charles School	
23	Anthony	Schorsten	1	Katie & Mike Schorsten	40 Green Meadow Pl	330-509-2001	St. Charles School	
24	Eliana	Snyder	8	Lisa Snyder	8143 Bendemeer Dr.	330-277-7699	Hearthland Christian School	
25	William	Snyder	6	Lisa Snyder	8143 Bendemeer Dr.	330-277-7699	Hearthland Christian School	
26	Cameron	Stanley	6	Mallory Stanley	46 Island Dr.	330-610-0761	Lewis Center for Gifted Learning	
27	Jacob	Vande Kappelle	9	Erin & Peter Vande Kappelle	10 Windemere Pl.	513-404-7475	Hearthland Christian School	
28	Ryan	Vande Kappelle	2	Erin & Peter Vande Kappelle	10 Windemere Pl.	513-404-7475	Hearthland Christian School	
29	Katherine	Vande Kappelle	6	Erin & Peter Vande Kappelle	10 Windemere Pl.	513-404-7475	Hearthland Christian School	
30	Evelyn	Vande Kappelle	KG	Erin & Peter Vande Kappelle	10 Windemere Pl.	513-404-7475	Hearthland Christian School	
31	Gabriella	Walters	1	Laura & Jason Walters	1297 Island Dr.	330-397-9622	Hearthland Christian School	
32	Josiah	Wheeler	8	Nicole Wheeler	6352 Tara Ct.	210-723-9370	Potential Development	
33	Dominic	Zenobi	5	Ashley Zenobi	8584 Van Dr.	330-550-1672	Montessori School of Mah. Valley	
34	Gabriella	Zenobi	9	Ashley Zenobi	8584 Van Dr.	330-550-1672	Montessori School of Mah. Valley	
35	Mila	Zenobi	3	Ashley Zenobi	8584 Van Dr.	330-550-1672	Montessori School of Mah. Valley	

  

School	# Students	
1	Akiva Academy	1
2	Hearthland Christian School	16
3	Lewis Center for Gifted Learning	2
4	Montessori School of Mah. Valley	3
5	St. Charles School	6
6	Islamic Academy	1
7	Potential Development	1
8	Ursuline High School	5
<b>Total</b>		<b>35</b>

2. The Board approves the Updated High School Handbook for the 2023-2024 School Year. PSHS Handbook – As previously discussed, cell phone recess option to be included.
3. The Board approves the Amended Educational Service Center of Eastern Ohio Service Agreement - MVRCOG Services for Substitute Management beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.
4. The Board adopt the following Resolution whereas the Board desires to make technical corrections to Board Policy 2266 for the purpose of updating the names of the individuals designated to serve as the District’s Title IX Coordinators, via this resolution in accordance with Board Policy 0131.1.

WHEREAS, 20 U.S.C § 1681 et seq. authorized and directs school districts receiving federal financial assistance to effectuate Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (“Title IX”, as amended; and

WHEREAS, Title IX, and its implementing regulations at 34 C.F.R. Part 106 requires school districts in receipt of federal funds to designate at least one professional employee as the Title IX Coordinator to oversee and coordinate the District’s efforts to comply with Title IX and its implementing regulations; and

WHEREAS, previously, the Poland Local School District Board of Education (the “Board”) employed Mr. Mark Zura (“Mr. Zura”) in the position of Director of Student Services; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Zura was also designated as a District Title IX Coordinator who was responsible for overseeing and coordinating the District’s efforts to comply with Title IX and its implementing regulations; and

WHEREAS, Board Policy 2266 – Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs and Activities, currently lists Mr. Zura as a District Title IX Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Zura is no longer employed by Board, and thus, no longer serves as a District Title IX Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, and in an effort to comply Title IX and its implementing regulations, the District intends to designate Dr. Maria A. Hoffmaster, Assistant Superintendent; and Mr. Matthew Beard, McKinley Elementary School Principal, as the District’s Title IX Coordinators; and

WHEREAS, Board Policy 0131.1 – Technical Corrections, recognizes that periodically, it may be necessary to make technical corrections to policies that have already been adopted through normal procedures for purposes of updating the name(s) of the individual(s) who serve as District compliance officer(s), as long as the position/title remains the same as listed in the applicable Board policy, not affecting the construction or meaning of those sections, subsections, chapters, titles, or policies as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Board Policy 0131.1 provides that should the Board choose to make such technical corrections, it may be accomplished by resolution as part of the consent agenda without going through the normal policy adoption procedure; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to make technical corrections to Board Policy 2266 for the purpose of updating the names of the individuals designated to serve as the District’s Title IX Coordinators, via this resolution in accordance with Board Policy 0131.1.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Poland Local School District hereby designates Dr. Maria A. Hoffmaster, Assistant Superintendent; and Mr. Matthew Beard, McKinley Elementary School Principal, as the District’s Title IX Coordinators for

the purposes of overseeing and coordinating the District's efforts to comply with Title IX and its implementing regulations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board will make technical corrections to update the name of the District's Title IX Coordinators from Mr. Mark Zura, to Dr. Maria A. Hoffmaster and Mr. Matthew Beard in Board Policy 2266 – Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is hereby found and determined that all formal action of the Board of Education concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution was adopted in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of the Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal meetings open to the public, when required by law, were in full compliance with the law.

Roll call: Members present voting aye. Motion passed 4-0. Absent: Dr. Dinopoulos

### **Superintendent's Recommendations: Craig Hockenberry**

Moved by Mr. Polis and seconded by Mr. Warren to approve the following 1-2 Athletics recommendation as presented: **Resolution #2023-86.**

#### **Athletics**

1. The Board accepts the following supplemental coaching resignations for the 2023-2024 school year. Mrs. Elia expressed a heartfelt thank you to Mara Banfield for her excellent job.

Mara Banfield - Varsity Girls Lacrosse Coach

2. The Board approves the following individuals for the 2023-24 School Year supplemental coaching contracts.

Emma Elia - 7th Grade Basketball Coach

Adam Rudolph - 8th Grade Basketball Coach

Roll call: Members present voting aye. Motion passed 4-0. Absent: Dr. Dinopoulos

## **POLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION**

### **Approval of Revised Board Policies – Resolution #2023-87**

Mr. Warren moved, and Mr. Polis seconded with Mrs. Elia and Mrs. Dominic voting aye to approve the Revised Board of Education Policies listed below. Motion passed 4-0. Absent: Dr. Dinopoulos.

- **Po2266** - Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities
- **Po5136** - Personal Communication Devices
- **Po7530.02** - Staff Use of Personal Communication Devices

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Thursday, September 21, 9:00 am “Champion Day” at Canfield Schools
- Friday, September 22-23, PSHS “Homecoming” Weekend
- Thursday, September 28, “Monthly Safety Meeting”
- Saturday, September 30, “A.M. Wake Up Call’s: McAuley Walk-A thon” Event.
- FLOCK CAMERAS have been installed.
- Received 4.5 out of 5 stars for academic achievement.
- April 8<sup>th</sup> – Solar Eclipse

**REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS**

**Foundation Liaison** – Mr. Troy Polis – Foundation currently working on planning the banquet to be held March 2024. They will be hosting a board election forum; more information to follow.

**Legislation Liaison** – Mrs. Dominic reported on the following:

- Governor DeWine announced New Teacher Apprenticeship Program
- Expansion of Free Lunches
- Free feminine hygiene products to Ohio students Grades 6-12.
- Training opportunities for CC+
- Required curricula aligned with the Science of Reading
- SB49 which would enact Religious Expression Days (R.E.D.)
- Governor DeWine formed the Ohio Schools Bus Safety Working Group
- Recently introduced legislation:
  - HB267 - BOE member elections from the nonpartisan ballot
  - HB266 - Update emergency plans for evacuation of individuals with disabilities.
  - HB263 – Regarding property tax freeze for certain owners occupied.
  - HB257 – Authorize certain bodies to meet virtually.
  - SB153 – Temporarily modify valuing farmland and other real property.

**Student Achievement Liaison** – Mrs. Elia – No Report

**Adjourn – Resolution #2023-88**

Mr. Polis moved, and Mr. Warren seconded with Mrs. Elia and Mrs. Dominic voting aye to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 4-0. Absent: Dr. Dinopoulos.

Meeting adjourned.

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Treasurer

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President