

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE AUSTINTOWN LOCAL SCHOOLS

BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING

Pursuant to its rules, the Austintown Board of Education of the Austintown Local Schools met at Austintown Middle School at 9:00 AM on Friday, June 30, 2023 for a Work Session and at 10:00 AM for the June Board Meeting Regular Session.

Board Members

Mr. Don Sherwood, President
Mr. Fred Marcum, Vice President
Mrs. Kathy Mock, Member
Mr. Harold Porter, Member
Mrs. Kimberly Smrek, Member

Administration

Timothy Kelty, Superintendent
Blaise Karlovic, Treasurer

2023-6/30-1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM with all members present.

Mr. Marcum, Present; Mrs. Mock, Present; Mr. Porter, Present; Mr. Sherwood, Present; Mrs. Smrek, Present

2023-6/30-2 Work Session-Topics for Discussion

- Transportation
- Committee Review
- Renovation Updates

2023-6/30-3 Executive Session

Mr. Sherwood motioned to recess to Executive Session at 9:47 AM for the purpose of discussion with regards to the employment, appointment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, compensation of a public employee

Mrs. Smrek seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0). The Executive Session ended at 10:05 AM.

2023-6/30-4 Recall to Order

The board returned to regular session at 10:05 AM.

2023-6/30-5 Agenda Approval

Mrs. Mock moved to approve the agenda for the 6/30/2023 Board of Education Regular Session.

Mrs. Smrek seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0).

2023-6/30-6 Public Comments

There were no Public Comments

2023-6/30-7 Treasurer's Consent Items

Mrs. Mock moved, upon the recommendation of the Treasurer, to approve the following items A-D by consent action:

A. MINUTES

- a. Regular Session held on 5/25/2023

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. May, 2023 Monthly Financial/Expenditure Activity Report
- b. May, 2023 Month End Forecast Report
- c. Final Appropriations and Resources for FY2023
- d. Temporary three month appropriations for FY2024

C. TRANSFER OF FUNDS

- a. Advance \$12,098.24 from 001-0000 to 019-9123 for Success After 6
- b. Transfer from: 001-0000. \$300,000 and transfer to: 003-0000. \$300,000

D. DONATIONS

- a. \$22,100 to Austintown Camp Invention 2023 via the National Inventors Hall of Fame from the Burton D Morgan Foundation, The Reinberger Foundation and The Thomases Family Endowment of the Youngstown Area Jewish Federation.
- b. \$100.00 to the Summer Food Service Program from the Wilson family
- c. \$10,000 to Austintown Local Schools from the Cafaro Foundation in honor of the Fitch Softball Team winning the OHSAA Division 1 State Championship
- d. \$500 to Fitch Link Crew from Austintown Fraternal Order Of Police

Mrs. Smrek seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0).

2023-6/30-8 Memorandum of Understanding

Mrs. Smrek moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following Memorandum of Understanding by and between the Austintown Local School District ("Board") and the Austintown Education Association, OEA/NEA as presented:

1. **WHEREAS**, the Board and the Association are parties to a collective bargaining agreement that is in effect from August 29, 2021 to August 28, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Association believe it to be mutually advantageous to temporarily modify the Agreement; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Board and the Association agree as follows:

The Academic Supplemental for the CO-Assistant Speech and Debate Coach positions(2) at Fitch High School, contractually compensated at 5% a piece shall now be made into the following one position:

Assistant Speech and Debate Coach 10%

This MOU will remain in effect for the 2023-2024 school year. The necessity for the change shall be revisited for need prior to the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

2. **WHEREAS**, the Board and the Association are parties to a collective bargaining agreement that is in effect from August 29, 2021 to August 28, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Association believe it to be mutually advantageous to temporarily modify the Agreement; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Board and the Association agree as follows:

The Fitch High School - Other Duties Orchestra Supplemental (Grades 5-12) for Orchestra, contractually compensated at 14%, will be split into the following two (2) positions:

Co- Orchestra Advisor 7.0%
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This MOU will remain in effect for the 2023-2024 school year. The necessity for the split shall be revisited for need prior to the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

3. **WHEREAS**, the Board and the Association are parties to a collective bargaining agreement that is in effect from August 29, 2021 to August 28, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Association believe it to be mutually advantageous to temporarily modify the Agreement; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Board and the Association agree as follows:

The Athletic Supplemental for one (1) Head Football Coach position at Austintown Middle School, contractually compensated at 10%, will be modified and split between two assistant coaches for the 2023-2024 school year and will be changed as follows:

AMS Assistant Football Coach 5%
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This MOU will remain in effect for the 2023-2024 school year. The necessity for this modification shall be revisited for need prior to the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

Mr. Marcum seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0).

2023-6/30-9 Superintendent's Consent Items

Mrs. Mock moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following items A-I by consent action:

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations

- a. Derek Basinger, AEA High School Science Teacher effective end of the 22-23 contract year
- b. Natalie Lynn, AEA High School Math Teacher effective end of the 22-23 contract year
- c. Brionna Collins, OAPSE Medical Assistant effective end of the 22-23 contract year
- d. Ryan DelSignore, OAPSE Custodian effective 6/23/2023, personal
- e. Traci Miller, Falcon Fives Pre-K Aide effective end of the 22-23 contract year
- f. Anne Marenkovic, Athletic Trainer effective 6/30/2023, personal
- g. Maria Tirado, English Learners Aide effective 5/27/2023, personal
- h. Jeremy McClaine, AEA Supplemental -Assistant Band Director effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year

- i. Jeremy McClaine, AEA Supplemental -Assistant Vocal Music Director effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year
- j. George Prosser, Assistant Girls Tennis Coach position for the 2023-2024 school year
- k. Samuel Cassano, AEA supplemental - Track Coach effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year

2. Administrative Appointments

- a. Andrew Scarmack - 3 year contract - Middle School Principal - Step 6 - \$92,934.00
- b. Joanie Jones - 3 year contract - Middle School Assistant Principal - Step 9 - \$88,716.00
- c. Salvatore Maiorana - 3 year contract- High School Principal - Step 1 - \$92,796.00
- d. Angel Owens - 3 year contract - High School Assistant Principal - Step 10 - \$94,129.00
- e. Jim Riccardo - 3 year contract - High School Assistant Principal - Step 9 - \$92,796.00

3. Administrative Transfers

- a. Robin Vickers from Middle School Principal to Intermediate School Principal
- b. Tim Pappagallo from Assistant Intermediate Principal to Assistant Elementary Principal

4. OAPSE Appointments

- a. Carrie Eckert, Special Education Paraprofessional assigned to new ED classroom at Fitch, 5.75-hours per day effective 2023-2024 school year
- b. Janice Pitzer, Food Service at Fitch, 3-hours per day effective 2023-2024 school year replacing Lovice Davidson

5. OAPSE Transfers effective 2023-2024 school year

- a. Mary Ann Miller- Transfer from Paraprofessional in Lighthouse, 5.75-hour position at AES to Paraprofessional in Cross-Categorical classroom at AES replacing Manda Pejic effective 2023-2024 school year
- b. Alexis Arnett- Transfer from Food Service 3-hour position at AIS to Food Service 2.5-hour position at AIS replacing Lori Kraynak effective 2023-2024 school year
- c. Lovice Davidson-Transfer from Food Service 2.5-hour position at Fitch to Food Service 3-hour position at Fitch replacing Lisa Winters effective 2023-2024 school year
- d. Myra Papa-Transfer from Food Service 2.5-hour position at Fitch to Food Service 3-hour position at Fitch new position effective 2023-2024 school year
- e. Kim Lubonovich- Transfer from Paraprofessional 5.75-hour position at AES to Medical Assistant classification; full-time 7.5-hour position at AES replacing Brionna Collins effective 2023-2024 school year

6. AEA Appointments

- a. Marissa Wiley, Intervention Specialist (Fitch assignment 2023-2024); Geneva College Bachelor of Science in Education, 5-years experience, Bachelor-Step-5

7. AEA Transfers Effective 2023-2024 school year

- a. Amy Fitzgerald, Transfer from Family and Consumer Science assignment to Title I ELA (6-8) assignment replacing Barbara Tomic effective 2023-2024 school year

B. NON-BARGAINING UNIT PERSONNEL

- a. Maureen Miller, K-2 General Education and Intervention Specialist Tutor; grant funded; limited to 28.75 hours per week at the rate of \$25 per hour

C. SUMMER 2023 PERSONNEL

- a. **AMS Summer Intervention/ Grade Recovery 6-8 Teachers- Title I Grant Funded; Program Dates 6/5/2023 through 6/30/2023 at \$20 per hour**

Carly Sarno

Casey Henderson

- b. **Summer Cleaners at the rate of \$12.73 per hour**

David Brooks

Thomas G DeLuca

Justin Leancu

Samantha Vickers

D. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- a. Brittany Morell-FMLA-Maternity - effective 7/10/23 until 9/29/23

E. ACADEMIC SUPPLEMENTALS-2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR- AEA PERSONNEL

The asterisk () denotes longevity percentage / two (**) denotes maximum longevity percentage*

FITCH

- a. Jeremy McClaine, Band Director- 22%
- b. Jeremy McClaine, Orchestra (5-12) Co-Advisor - 7% (MOU)
- c. John Martin, Orchestra (5-12) Co-Advisor - 7% (MOU)
- d. Lisa Costello, Spanish Club Advisor- 2%

AMS

- a. John Martin, Band Director - 9%

F. ACADEMIC SUPPLEMENTALS-2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR- NON- AEA PERSONNEL

The following positions were made available to AEA members with no internal applications received

FITCH

- a. William Gonda, Band Percussion Advisor- 3%
- b. Jason Long, Speech and Debate Assistant - 10%

G. ATHLETIC SUPPLEMENTAL POSITIONS (2023-2024 SY)- AEA MEMBERS

The asterisk () denotes longevity percentage / two (**) denotes maximum longevity percentage*

FITCH

- a. Christopher Martini, Football JV Head Coach - 7.5% (Approved as Non-AEA Supp 4/20/23 hired as AEA 5/25/23)
- b. Brian Beany, Basketball Head Varsity Boys - 29%**
- c. John Hudson, Basketball Freshman Boys - 16%**
- d. John Burd, Wrestling Head Coach - 23%**

AMS

- a. Alexis Rice, Volleyball - 7th (Blue) - 10%
- b. Alexis Rice, Volleyball - 8th (Blue) - 10%
- c. Brian Forgac, Wrestling Head Coach (Blue) - 15%**

H. ATHLETIC SUPPLEMENTAL POSITIONS (2023-2024 SY)- NON-AEA MEMBERS

The following positions were made available to AEA members with no internal applications received

AMS

- a. Thomas Knight, Football Assistant - 9%

I. STIPEND CONTRACTS

- a. Katie Emler, Falcon Fives Pre-K Director, \$2,000 effective 8/1/2023

Mrs. Smrek seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0).

2023-6/30-10 Resolution

Mr. Marcum moved, Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the resolution following resolution as presented:

WHEREAS, the Board of the Mahoning Valley Regional Council of Governments ("MVRCOG") anticipates that the MVRCOG may experience difficulty obtaining substitute teachers during the 2023-2024 school year; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to authority granted in Section 4 of Senate Bill 1, which was enacted by the 134th General Assembly and became effective as an emergency measure on October 28, 2021, the Board of Education was authorized to establish its own education requirements for individuals to serve as substitute teachers in the District during the 2021-2022 school year; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has extended this authority for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years through the enactment of House Bill 583; and

WHEREAS, the Board of the MVRCOG desires to temporarily adopt modified education requirements for substitute teachers in accordance with the law during the 2023-2024 school years as a measure to help ensure the availability of a sufficient number of substitute teachers.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of the Mahoning Valley Regional Council of Governments.

Mrs. Smrek seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0).

2023-6/30-11 Resolution- Transportation

Mrs. Smrek moved to approve the resolution declaring transportation impractical for the following identified students for the 2022-2023 School Year:

Student First	Student Last	Parent(s)	School	Grade
Tad	Balio Jr.	Theresa Murray	ACLD	4
Dominic	Long	Domonique Price	Valley Christian	6

Mrs. Mock seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0).

2023-6/30-12 Agreements

Mrs. Smrek moved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the contractual agreements made by and between the Austintown Local School District ("District") and the following as presented:

- a. **Freepoint Energy Solutions** for retail electric service effective 1/2/2024 through 12/31/2025 at the price of \$0.05926/k/Wh
- b. **C&T Design and Equipment Co.** for the Fitch High School Meal Service Line Renovation project with an amount not to exceed \$237,431.35.
- c. **Supplemental Educational Services, Inc. (SESINC)** for the period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, 2024 to provide staff for delivery of Title I services to the Austintown Local School District students at the following:
 - a. Valley Christian School Title I Services
 - b. St. Christine School Title I Services
 - c. St. Rose School Title I Services
 - d. Islamic Academy of Youngstown Title I Services
 - e. ACLD School Title I Services
 - f. Victory Christian Title I Services
 - g. St. Nicholas School Title I Services

Mrs. Mock seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0).

2023-6/30-13 Food Service

Mrs. Smrek moved, Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve meal prices for the 2023-2024 school year as follows:

<u>School</u>	<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Lunch</u>	<u>Milk</u>	<u>Reduced Breakfast</u>	<u>Reduced Lunch</u>
Fitch	\$2.00	\$3.25	\$.50	\$.30	\$.40
AMS	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$.50	\$.30	\$.40
AIS	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$.50	\$.30	\$.40
AES	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$.50	\$.30	\$.40

Mr. Marcum seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0).

2023-6/30-14 Public Meeting for July

Mr. Marcum moved to approve the following dates/times for the work session and regular session as follows:

Work Session: July 18, 2023 at the Rachel's beginning at 11:00AM

Mrs. Smrek seconded the motion and the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0).

2023-6/30-16 Treasurer Comments

None

2023-6/30-17 Superintendent Comments

None

2023-6/30-18 Adjournment

Mr. Marcum moved to adjourn at 10:15 AM.

Mrs. Smrek seconded the motion as the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0).



Mr. Don Sherwood, President
Austintown Board of Education



Blaise Karlovic, Treasurer
Austintown Board of Education