

**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 4:00 PM on Wednesday, October 19, 2023 for a Work Session and at 5:00 PM for the October Board Meeting Regular Session.

Board Members

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

Administration

Timothy Kelty, Superintendent
Blaise Karlovic, Treasurer

2023-10/19-1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM with all members present.

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

2023-10/19-2 Work Session-Topics for Discussion

- Special Ed
- CSA
- Athletic Conference
- Transportation

2023-10/19-3 Executive Session

Mrs. Smrek motioned to recess to Executive Session at 4:48 PM for the purpose of discussion with regards to the employment, appointment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, compensation of a public employee and to consider confidential information related to marketing plans, specific business strategy, or production techniques.

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). The Executive Session ended at 5:00 PM.

2023-10/19-4 Recall to Order

The Board returned to Regular Session at 5:02 PM with all members present

2023-10/19-5 Agenda Approval

Mr. Marcum moved to approve the agenda for the 10/19/2023 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).

2023-10/19-6 Public Comments

There were no Public Comments

2023-10/19-7 Recognition/Presentation

- Ohio EPA Recycling Grant Presentation- Janet Polish, Rob Wyant and Fitch students

2023-10/19-8 Building Reports

Austintown Fitch High School- Jim Riccardo
Austintown Middle School- Janet Polish
Austintown Intermediate School- Robin Vickers
Austintown Elementary School- Cathy Dorbish

2023-10/19-9 Department Reports

Alexis Weber, Wellness Policy Update and Food Service Update

2023-10/19-10 Treasurer's Consent Items

Mrs. Mock moved upon the recommendation of the Treasurer to approve the Treasurer's Consent Items:

A. MINUTES

- a. Regular Session held on 9/20/2023

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. September, 2023 Monthly Financial/Expenditure Activity Report
- b. September, 2023 Month End Forecast Report
- c. Purchase Orders over \$15,000 and transfers for the month as submitted

C. DONATIONS

- a. \$1,684.00 from Girls Soccer Boosters to help cover the cost of uniforms
- b. \$500.00 from Jamie Blott Agency to Fitch Athletics
- c. \$100 from Fitch Hall of Fame to Fitch Band
- d. \$100 from Fitch Hall of Fame to Fitch Choir
- e. \$20,000 from Gibson Gives (Gibson Guitars) to FHS Rock Band (42 total guitars of all different varieties and all accompanying accessories for the guitars)

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).

2023-10/19-11 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:

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

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 Contract for the Head Boys/Girls Swim Coach position of 20% will be split into the following two positions for the 2023-2024 Swimming Season as follows:

Head Boys/Girls Swim Coach	15%
Assistant Boys/Girls Swim Coach	5%

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.

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).

2023-10/19-12 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. Tracy DelSignore, OAPSE sweeper cleaner at AIS effective October 3, 2023
- b. Pamela Thompson, OAPSE food service at AIS last day worked 10/11/2023
- c. Samantha Marscio, AEA Supplemental Head Girls Soccer Coach effective 2024-2025 school year

2. Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement

- a. Mark Miller, OAPSE District Groundskeeper effective December 29, 2023 after 31 years of service with Austintown Schools
- b. David Robenolt, OAPSE Mechanic effective January 1, 2024 after 30 years of service with Austintown Schools

3. OAPSE Appointments

- a. James Emler, OAPSE Bus Driver
- b. Brenda Wolf, OAPSE Bus Driver
- c. Pamela Thompson, Food Service 3-hour position at AIS replacing Tiffany Petrello
- d. Kimberlee Kelly, Food Service 3-hour flex position at FHS replacing Tracy Staula
- e. Carla Hammrock, OAPSE Paraprofessional assigned to lunch/recess/office; 5.75-hour position at AES replacing Sheeleen Selby
- f. Deborah Lewis, OAPSE Paraprofessional-Child Specific; 5.75-hour new position at AES
- g. Heather Scott, Paraprofessional assigned to Special Education; 5.75-hours at AMS replacing Teresa Pratt effective 10/3/2023

4. OAPSE Transfers

- a. Teresa Pratt, Transfer from Paraprofessional assigned to Special Education Classroom at AMS to Paraprofessional assigned to ED Classroom, new position at AMS
- b. Holly Brady, Transfer from Paraprofessional position assigned to lunch recess reporting at 10:00 am to AES to Paraprofessional position assigned to lunch/recess reporting at 8:00 am at AES replacing Kim Lubonovich

5. CORRECTION FROM August 24, 2023 Agenda

- a. Rescind the AEA supplemental contract for Michael Hornyak for screen printing advisor for the 2023-2024 school year

B. CLASSIFIED NON-TEACHING SUBSTITUTE STAFF AT THE RATE OF \$11.10 PER HOUR; BUS DRIVERS AT \$16.00 PER HOUR

Food Service
Melissa Setting

Custodial
Randy Hixenbaugh
Jaden Karr
Michael Pemberton

Transportation
Brenda Wolf - Bus Aide

C. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- a. Kathy Senvisky, Unpaid leave from 10/27/23-10/30/23
- b. Joseph Buonavolonta, FMLA - Paternity Leave - 11/27/2023-12/11/2023

D. ACADEMIC SUPPLEMENTALS-2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR- AEA

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

- a. Kira Neef, German Club Advisor

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

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FITCH

- a. Mark D'Eramo, Basketball Varsity Assist. Girls - 15%
- b. Erica DiFrancesco, Basketball Varsity Assist. Girls - 15%

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

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

FITCH

- a. Marcus Higgs, Basketball Varsity Assist. Boys - 15%
- b. Orvill Simons, Basketball Varsity Assist. Boys - 15%
- c. Jacob Capezzuto, Basketball Freshman Girls - 11%
- d. Terrance Patterson, Swim Head Coach - 15% MOU
- e. Kyle Varga, Wrestling Assistant - 8%
- f. Dominic Mancini, Wrestling Assistant - 8%
- g. Frank Mancini, Wrestling Assistant - 8%

AMS

- a. Luke Kelty, Basketball Boys Grade 7 (Blue) - 10%
- b. Sonya Perry, Basketball Girls Grade 8 - 10%
- c. Robert Mackall, Wrestling Head Coach - 10%
- d. Brock Kimble, Wrestling Assistant - 8%
- e. Eric Diefenderfer, Wrestling Assistant - 8%

G. ATHLETIC- EVENT STAFF

- a. Karen Bradley
- b. Angela Grahovac
- c. Daniel Schnurrenberger

H. STIPEND CONTRACTS

- a. Lisa Costello, District Spanish Translator \$500

I. VOLUNTEERS- Athletic/Academic

- a. Devon Johnson, Athletics - Basketball
- b. Cara Hahn, Athletics - Wheelchair Basketball
- c. Robert Foster, Athletics - Wrestling
- d. Dominic Burich, Athletics - Wrestling

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)

2023-10/19-13 District Committees

Mrs. Smrek moved, Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following personnel to serve on the committee for 2023-2024 school year at the rate of \$20 per hour:

Multidisciplinary Structured Literacy Team: The committee will meet on an as needed basis to address the Ohio Dyslexia Guidebook and ORC 3323.251.

Andrea Crum	Jeff Rhodes	Jessica Vince
Anitra James	Kathy Buonavolonta	Samantha Marscio
Angela Kopp	Mary Keener	Tami Franklin
Cheri Watson	Megan Monaco	Wendy Russo
Catherine Dorbish	Rae Mollica	Robin Vickers
Christine Pezzuolo	Rebecca Shrake	Katie Corbett
Debra Shelley	Dr. Dorothy Reppy	Dr. William Young

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)

2023-10/19-14 Board Policy

Mrs. Mock moved, Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Board Policies for adoption/revision:

a. PO141.2	i. PO5330.05	q. PO8600
b. PO0164	j. PO5337	r. PO8650
c. PO2623.02	k. PO6240	s. PO9160
d. PO3120.08	l. PO6700	t. PO9211
e. PO4120.08	m. PO7440	u. PO9270
f. PO5113.01	n. PO8120	
g. PO5320	o. PO8210	
h. PO5330	p. PO8330	

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).

2023-10/19-15 Public Meeting for November, 2023

Mrs. Smrek moved to approve the following dates/times for the May work session and regular session as follows:

Work Session: November 16, 2023 at the Board of Education Conference Room beginning at 4:00 PM
Regular Session: November 16., 2023 at Austintown Middle School beginning at 5:00 PM

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).

2023-10/19-16 Treasurer Comments

None

2023-10/19-17 Superintendent Comments

None

2023-10/19-18 Board Comments

2023-10/19 Executive Session

Mrs. Smrek motioned to recess to Executive Session at 5:30 PM to consider confidential information related to marketing plans, specific business strategy, or production techniques.

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

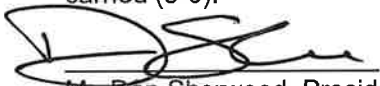
Mr. Marcum, Yes; Mrs. Mock, Yes; Mr. Porter, Yes; Mr. Sherwood, Yes; Mrs. Smrek, Yes. The motion carried (5-0). The Executive Session ended at 6:15 PM.

2023-10/19-19 Adjournment

Mrs. Smrek moved to adjourn at 6:16 PM.

Mrs. Mock 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

