January 9, 2024

4:45 p.m.

Fredericktown Local School District Administration Building

1 Call To Order

The Fredericktown Local Board of Education met in ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING on January 9, 2024 in the Administration Building. Board Chairman, Nathan Bellman called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. and noted the following members present: Nathan Bellman, Donald Falk, Kristine Lindeman, Paul Napier and Shelly Wenger. Also present: Gary Chapman and Heather Darnold.

2 Oath of Office

Treasurer, Mrs. Darnold swore in new board members Kristine Lindeman and Shelly Wenger.

3 Roll Call

The following members answered roll call, Nathan Bellman, Donald Falk, Kristine Lindeman, Paul Napier and Shelly Wenger.

4 Approval of Board Agenda

24-001 Mr. Napier moved, seconded by Mr. Falk, for approval of the prepared Board meeting agenda.

On roll call, voting yes:
Napier, Falk, Bellman, Lindeman, Wenger MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

5 Unfinished Business of 2023

24-002 Mr. Napier moved, seconded by Mrs. Wenger, to accept there is no unfinished business to discuss.

On roll call, voting yes:
Napier, Wenger, Bellman, Falk, Lindeman MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

6 Dissolution of 2023 Board of Education *sine die*

24-003 Chairman Bellman called for the discussion of any unfinished business items. There being none, Mr. Falk moved, seconded by Mr. Napier, for the dissolution of the 2023 Fredericktown Local Board of Education *sine die*.

On roll call, voting yes:
Falk, Napier, Bellman, Lindeman, Wenger MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

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7 Election of the 2024 Board President and Vice President

24-004 Board Chairman Bellman called for nominations for the position of 2024 Board President.

a. Mr. Falk nominated Mr. Paul Napier for Board President for calendar year 2024.
b. Election of Board President Mr. Napier.
   On roll call, voting yes:
   Falk, Bellman, Lindeman, Wenger MOTION CARRIED, 4-0
   Mr. Napier abstained
c. Mr. Napier assumes office
d. Mr. Falk nominated Mr. Nathan Bellman as Vice President for calendar year 2024
e. Election of Vice President Mr. Bellman
   On roll call voting yes:
   Falk, Lindeman, Wenger, Napier MOTION CARRIED, 4-0
   Mr. Bellman abstained
f. Committee Appointments by the President
   Legislative Liaison Shelly Wenger

Knox County Career Center	Kristine Lindeman
Community Development	Donald Falk/Gary Chapman
Business Advisory Committee	Nathan Bellman
Policy Liaison	Nathan Bellman/Shelly Wenger
Finance Committee	Heather Darnold, Gary Chapman
	Paul Napier/Kristine Lindeman

On roll call voting yes:
Bellman, Lindeman, Falk, Napier, Wenger MOTION CARRIED, 5-0

8a-f Treasurer's Recommendations
Close of Fiscal Year 2024, Pay All Debts, Establish a Service Fund, Investment of Interim Funds, Authority to Request Advance of Local Taxes and Authority to Transfer or Advance Funds

24-005 Upon recommendation of Treasurer Heather Darnold, Mr. Falk moved, seconded by Mrs. Lindeman to approve the Treasurers Consent Recommendations for 2024:

a. To authorize the Treasurer to make all necessary transfers, advances, adjustments in appropriations in all funds to complete business and to amend Certificate of Estimated Resources based on actual amount received for Fiscal Year 2024 and report said changes to the Board.
b. To Authorize the Treasurer to pay all debts of the Board of Education within the limits of the Board approved appropriations.
c. To establish a service fund of $7,000 in accordance with O.R.C. 3315.15 to cover expenses for Board members or their respective representatives when on business to promote the welfare of the Fredericktown Local School District.
d. To authorize the Treasurer to invest interim and active funds at the most productive rate whenever such monies are available to invest with Park National Bank, StarOhio, or for U.S. Treasury Bonds providing they are legal investments for school districts. All other investments require prior Board approval.
e. To authorize the Treasurer to request the advance of local taxes from the County Auditor any time such funds should become available and payable to the School District.
f. To transfer or advance funds if such is necessary prior to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. Additionally, the Board authorizes the Treasurer to make all necessary transfers, advances and adjustments, if appropriate, in all funds to complete business for the calendar or fiscal year and report said changes to the Board.

On roll call, voting yes:
Falk, Lindeman, Bellman, Napier, Wenger MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

9a-j Superintendent's Recommendations
Establish date, time, and place for Regular Board of Education, Meeting Compensation, Purchasing Agent, State and Federal Programs, Appointment of Official Newspaper, Extracurricular Transportation Cost, Activity Budget Accounts, Initiate Legal Action, Accepting Resignations and Hiring Staff Between Board Meetings

24-006 Upon recommendation of Superintendent Gary Chapman, Mr. Bellman moved, seconded by Mrs. Wenger to approve the Superintendent's Consent Recommendations for 2024:

a. To establish date, time and place for regular Board of Education Meetings. Voted to continue the second Tuesday of each month, at 5:30 p.m., in the Administration Building Board Room for monthly Board of Education Meetings.
b. To set the meeting compensation for Board members at the maximum rate allowed by for a maximum of 14 paid meetings per year as per the Ohio Revised Code 3313.12.
c. To appoint the Superintendent as the District Purchasing Agent for the Board of Education.
d. To grant authority to Superintendent to apply for, establish budgets, authorize Treasurer to set up accounts, receive and expend funds and to make reports concerning State and Federal Grants.
e. To appoint "Knox Pages" be designated as the District's official daily newspaper due to the legal requirement of giving 24 hours' notice to the public for special Board meetings.
f. To approve the use of Board funds to pay for the transportation costs of approved extracurricular activities.

g. To grant authority to the Superintendent to approve the activity account budgets and approve modifications when deemed appropriate.
h. To authorize the Superintendent to initiate legal action on behalf of the Board of Education to protect its legal interests.
i. To authorize the Superintendent to accept resignations that have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session. Such resignations shall be deemed effective as the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance. The resignation will be taken to the Board at the next meeting.
j. Authorize the Superintendent, during periods when this Board is not in session, to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or nonteaching positions on behalf of this Board. The employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the Superintendent's offer. The employment recommendation will be taken to the Board at the next meeting.

On roll call, voting yes:
Bellman, Wenger, Falk, Lindeman, Napier MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

10 Adjournment
24-007 Mr. Falk moved, seconded by Mr. Bellman, for adjournment of the ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION Board meeting.

On roll call, voting yes:
Falk, Bellman, Lindeman, Wenger, Napier MOTION CARRIED, 5-0.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 4:55 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Treasurer, Board of Education