

Members Present: Mrs. Linda Blum, President
Mrs. Jane Woodie, Vice President
Dr. Karl Espeleta
Mr. Nick Orrill
Mr. Chris Pulos
Mr. Hobbs, Student Representative

Mrs. Blum presided over the meeting. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and the reading of the district's mission statement.

The student representative vote contained in these minutes is recorded for the purpose of participation but is not part of the count in determining approval or disapproval of items.

No. 24-29 Mr. Blum motioned to approve the agenda as follows. Mrs. Woodie seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Blum, Woodie, Espeleta, Orrill, Pulos

Aye: Hobbs

Motion Carried

VISITORS, COMMUNICATIONS, AND RECOGNITIONS

Maureen McCormick - Opposition to LifeWise
Pat Burnside - Opposition to LifeWise
Rita Tilton - Opposition to LifeWise
Erica Robinson - LifeWise

No. 24-30 Dr. Espeleta motioned to approve the separated item of the treasurer's agenda as follows:

A. Approve the minutes of the regular meetings of February 12, 2024.

Mr. Orrill seconded the motion and the roll vote was as follows:

Aye: Espeleta, Orrill, Blum, Woodie

Abstained: Pulos

Aye: Hobbs

Motion Carried

No. 24-31 Mrs. Woodie motioned to approve the separated item of the treasurer's agenda as follows:

B. Approve the then and now certificate:

Invoice No.	Purchase Number	Purchase Date	Vendor	Amount
CY23	10889	2/1/12024	Montgomery Cty	\$15,788.26
1364421	8108251	1/26/2024	Josten's	\$13,177.57

Mr. Pulos seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Woodie, Pulos, Blum, Espeleta, Orrill

Aye: Hobbs

Motion Carried

No. 24-32 Dr. Espeleta motioned to approve the personnel agenda as follows:

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS - CERTIFIED

Kody Barnett	Resignation as Substitute Teacher, Effective 2/1/24 - DS
Carol McVay	Retirement as Teacher, Effective 7/31/24 - NM

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS - CLASSIFIED

Sharon Abner	Retirement as Multi Media Specialist, Effective 6/1/24 - UN
Karen Clark	Retirement as Multi Media Specialist, Effective 6/1/24 - NM
Jarred Rentz	Resignation as Maintenance and General Grounds and as a Substitute Educational Assistant or Paraprofessional- Effective 2/23/24 - DS
Gerri Swayne	Resignation as Food Service Worker, Effective 2/13/24 - HS

NEW CONTRACTS/APPOINTMENTS - CLASSIFIED

Robin Erickson	Catering Manager, 8 Hrs. Per Day, 5 Yrs. Exp., Effective 2/20/24 - MVCTC
Paula Goepferich	Bus Assistant, From 5.83 Hrs. Per Day to 6.17 Hrs. Per Day, Effective 2/26/24 - SC
Jennifer Haney	Substitute Paraprofessional, As Needed, Effective 8/13/23 - DS
Ashley Parry	Educational Assistant, 3 Hrs. Per Day, 2 Yrs. Exp., Effective 2/20/24 - EH
Paula Parsons	Bus Assistant, From 5.50 Hrs. Per Day to 5.83 Hrs. Per Day, Effective 2/26/24 -SC

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Kimberly Childers-Tyree
Calandra Collins
Susan Kuehl
Denise Lefler

COACHES - HIGH SCHOOL

John Bass	Resignation as Asst. Track & Asst. Football Coach, Effective 2/22/24
Robert Finch	Resignation as 9th Grade Football Coach, Effective 2/22/24
Celina Rabiuss	Resignation as JV Head Girls Volleyball Coach, Effective 2/14/24

UNPAID ABSENCES - CLASSIFIED

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3319.13 and Article 7 Section 7.06 of the Master Agreement with the Teamsters Local Union No.957, the Board hereby grants the following employees an unpaid absence for the following days from work:

Dock Days for 2/23/24

Denise Bryson	.25 Day Dock - 1/31
Lawanda Charlton	6.26 Days Dock - 1/25 (.25), 1/26, 1/29-2/2 - Paid off
Jennifer Miller	4 Days Dock - 1/24-1/29
Diana Slade	7 Days Dock - 1/25-2/2
Cortney Smith	4.5 Days Dock - 1/25-1/30, 1/31 (.50)
Kristin Szelestey	.75 Day Dock - 1/25

Mrs. Woodie seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Espeleta, Woodie, Blum, Pulos, Orrill

Motion Carried

No. 24-33 Mr. Pulos motioned to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A. Accept cash donation of \$1000 to Northmont High School After Prom from the Northmont Education Foundation.
- B. Accept donation of one alto saxophone to elementary band from Jo Rocco.
- C. Approve overnight trip to the NJROTC Area 14 Drill Championship in Columbus, Ohio for students and chaperones March 1-2, 2024.
- D. Accept the collective bargaining agreement with the Northmont District Education Association effective August 1, 2024 - July 31, 2026.
- E. Approve to prepare designs and specifications from Levin-Porter, advertise, and accept bids for correcting the issues with the asphalt bus drive lane behind the Kleptz Early Learning Center with cost estimate of \$174,011 from permanent improvement funds.
- F. Approve to prepare designs and specifications from Levin-Porter, advertise, and accept bids for the estimated cost of \$102,434 for resurfacing our tennis courts with an add alternate of \$9,600 from money received as a result of an executed settlement agreement.
- G. Review the 2024 High School Summer School Offerings.

Mr. Orrill seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Pulos, Orrill, Blum, Espeleta, Woodie

Aye: Hobbs

Motion Carried

BOARD REPORTS

Mrs. Blum

*The Northmont Education Foundation Auction is this Friday at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Espeleta

*Save the date of May 10, 2024. The Miami Valley CTC will hold a building dedication and ribbon cutting at 4 p.m.

*Harrison Davis won the role of Secretary for the Business Professionals of America organization.

*March 16th the Miami Valley CTC will be hosting the Ohio Academy of Science District Fair.

*Application for the class of 2026 is currently at 1,654.

*National Technical Honor society induction will be March 24th.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

*Thanked Mrs. Blum and Mrs. Clifford for attending the Business Advisory Council meeting with him last week.

*The YMCA annual campaign has started.

*We have one student, Jerrin Dale, who has advanced to the State Meet in swimming.

*We have 4 boys advance to District's and 5 girls advance to Regionals in wrestling.

*The Northmont Education Foundation auction is this Friday.

*Kindergarten registration starts April 1st.

*The tennis court improvement will be paid for with the settlement funds.

*ACT testing is underway.

*Union Elementary will be holding Career Day on Thursday.

OLD BUSINESS

Each board member expressed their gratitude for everyone who spoke about the request to change/add policy 5223 which would allow outside organizations to pull out students during the school day. Mrs. Blum's concern was additional time District personnel would encounter helping the Lifewise program. Mrs. Woodie visited a school building that has the Lifewise program but still has concern with students leaving the building during the school day. She also believes that it is the parent's responsibility to provide religious education to their children. Mr. Pulos said after review of the documentation provided to them he also has concerns about students leaving the school building during the school day. Dr. Espeleta believes that religious education is the parent's responsibility. Mr. Orrill has safety concerns

about pulling out students from school. All board members expressed their support for the LifeWise program if it was done after school and not during the school day.

No. 24-34 There being no further business, Mrs. Blum declared the meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m. The next regular Board of Education meeting will be at 6:00 p.m., March 11, 2024, Union Elementary, 418 West Martindale, Union, Ohio.

President

Andrea A. Blum

Treasurer

Marie Ann Ferraro

Visitors: 45

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