

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 13, 2024**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at the Chauncey Office, located at 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

President Mick Davenport called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A moment of silent reflection was held and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Present	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Present
Mr. Mick Davenport	Present	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Present
Mr. John Depoy	Present	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Present
Mr. Gary Dicken	Present	Mr. Mony Wood	Present
Ms. Connie Dugan	Present		

Ex-officio Members: Mr. Covert Absent Mr. Grippa Present

**24-030.** Mr. Dicken moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting held on February 28, 2024. Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

**Public Participation**

None.

**Head Start Reports and Recommendations**

**24-031.** Mr. Wood moved to approve the following Head Start Director's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Dawn Hall, Director:

- A. Approve the Selection Criteria for 2024-2025.
- B. Approve the School Readiness Goals for 2024-2025.
- C. Approve the Self-Assessment and Improvement Plan for 2023-2024.
- D. Approve the Cost Allocation Plan for 2024-2025.
- E. Approve the Application and Budget Justification Narrative.
- F. Approve out of state travel for two staff members to attend the Wipfli Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada July 8-12, 2024.

Ms. Dugan seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Dawn Hall, Director, informed the Governing Board that there were no changes from last year to the selection criteria, goals, or the cost allocation. However, there has been a change in the budget. Due to the anticipated increase in insurance, the current openings for the Coach and the Center Assistant at Little Storm will not be filled.

### **State Support Team Region 16 Director's Reports and Recommendations**

No items for Board action at this time.

### **Executive Session**

None.

### **Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations**

**24-032.** Mr. Depoy moved to approve the following Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Teresa McGinnis, Treasurer:

- A. Approve Bills paid in February 2024.
- B. Approve Monthly Financial Report for February 2024.
- C. Approve changes to Permanent Appropriations.

FUND NO.	FUND DESCRIPTION	REVISED AP-PROP (2/14/24)	APPROP CHANGES (3/13/24)	REVISED AP-PROP (3/13/24)
001	General	\$5,000,000.00		\$5,000,000.00
006	Food Service	\$165,000.00		\$165,000.00
007	Expendable Trusts	\$9,000.00		\$9,000.00
011	Rotary - Special Services	\$152,410.02		\$152,410.02
014	Rotary - Internal Services	\$65,802.46		\$65,802.46
018	Public School Support	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
019	Other Local Grants	\$381,472.51	\$22,500.00	\$403,972.51
026	Employee Benefits	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00
414	ABLE Ohio Works First	\$0.00		\$0.00
416	Local Professional Devel	\$0.00		\$0.00
439	Public School Preschool	\$593,642.18		\$593,642.18
440	Entry Year Teacher	\$0.00		\$0.00
451	K12 Network Subsidy	\$1,846.10		\$1,846.10
459	Ohio Reads	\$0.00		\$0.00
499	Misc State Grants	\$328,788.53		\$328,788.53
501	ABLE	\$0.00		\$0.00
507	Federal Funds	\$923,608.92		\$923,608.92
508	GEER CARES	\$23,816.06		\$23,816.06
516	IDEA Part B Grants	\$1,293,354.08		\$1,293,354.08
524	Vocational Education	\$110,000.00		\$110,000.00
525	Project Head Start	\$3,337,402.87		\$3,337,402.87
572	SST Priority School Support	\$15,853.08		\$15,853.08
584	Safe & Drug Free Schools	\$0.00		\$0.00
587	IDEA Preschool-Handi-capped	\$121,144.52		\$121,144.52
590	Resident Educator	\$0.00		\$0.00
599	Misc Federal Grants	\$694,214.25	\$ 38,760.00	\$732,974.25
TOTAL		\$13,220,355.58	\$ 61,260.00	\$13,281,615.58

3/13/2024				
019	Increase	\$22,500.00	- Project RISE Internships Grant	
599	Increase	\$38,760.00	- Head Start Stabilization Grant	
	TOTAL	\$61,260.00		

Mr. Wheeler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

### **Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations**

**24-033.** Mr. Bailey moved to approve the following Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

#### ESC

- A. Approve updates to the Substitute Teacher and Substitute Aide Lists for Athens, Meigs and Perry Counties.

#### AMESC / Athens City

- B. Amend the One Year Contract (2023 through 2024) to Elizabeth Hudson from Classroom Paraprofessional at Beacon School to 1:1 Paraprofessional at Beacon School serving an Athens City student, with all other terms and conditions remaining the same (contract originally approved 9/13/23, #23-104 P-2).
- C. Approve position transfers to the following individuals from Classroom Paraprofessionals at Beacon School, to 1:1 Paraprofessionals serving Athens City students, with effective dates as listed, with all other terms and conditions remaining the same:
  - 1. Haley Howell effective October 18, 2023 (contract originally approved 7/12/23, #23-078 K-1)
  - 2. Charlene Stout effective March 1, 2024 (contract originally approved 7/12/23, #23-078 L-5)

#### Nelsonville-York

- D. Approve Kelsey Jones, Speech Language Pathologist, to provide substitute SLP services to Nelsonville-York, on an as needed basis, effective March 8, 2024 through the end of the 2023-2024 School Year, 7 hours per day, at her regular hourly rate of \$71.75.

Southern (Meigs)

- E. Approve a One Year Contract (2023 through 2024) to Kathy Beach, 1:1 Paraprofessional, nine months (185 days prorated) effective March 5, 2024, at the rate of \$13.82 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

State Support Team 16

- F. Amend the position title of Elnora (Katie) Chaney to Regional Early Literacy Specialist (originally approved 2/28/24, #24-026 E & F as Regional Early Learning Specialist).

Trimble / Federal Hocking

- G. Approve a position transfer to Luna Doster, 1:1 Paraprofessional at Beacon School, from serving a Trimble Local student to serving a Federal Hocking student effective February 25, 2024, with all other terms and conditions remaining the same (contract originally approved 10/25/23, #23-115 H).
- H. See below.

ESC

- I. Accept the resignation of Carrie Kesterson, Preschool Paraprofessional, effective at the end of her current contract.
- J. Approve the Community Health Worker Job Description.
- K. Approve Daniel Watson as a Substitute Cheshire REACH Tutor for March 13, 2024, at the rate of \$25.00 per hour, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- L. Approve Daniel Watson, as a Cheshire REACH Tutor, up to 12 hours per week, at the rate of \$25.00 per hour, effective March 14, 2024 through the end of the 2023-2024 school year, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Mr. Dicken seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Abstain		

Motion carried.

**24-034.** Mr. Wood moved to approve the following Superintendent’s Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

Nelsonville-York / Tri-County Career Center

H. Approve the Second Reading of the Board Policy that was reviewed by the Policy Committee on February 14, 2024:

<u>Policy #</u>	<u>Policy Name</u>
6320.01	PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS

Mr. Koehler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

**Legislative Report**

Mr. Wheeler reported SB17, which establishes standards for financial literacy, has been sent to the Governor for his signature. HB27, which requires institutions of Higher Education to disclose full cost to students, is back in the House for concurrence. SB154, which adds Space Force to the armed forces in O.R.C, has been sent to the House. Also, HB33 now provides funding for training materials for the implementation of the Science of Reading.

**Tri-County Career Center Report**

Mr. Depoy reported that Tri-County Career Center received a \$1.7 million grant to update the criminal justice, early childcare, power line, electricity, and graphic design labs.

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business.**

None.

The next regular Athens-Meigs ESC Governing Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, 6:00 p.m., at the Athens-Meigs ESC, 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

**24-035. Time 6:23 p.m.** Mr. Dicken moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Koehler seconded the motion. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned.

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President

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Treasurer