



Minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting of the Berea City School District held on Monday, March 11, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Berea-Midpark High School, Auditorium, 165 E. Bagley Rd., Berea, OH 44017, and shown remotely on YouTube at the following address:

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A. Opening Meeting

Members present: Chapman ☒ Mack ☒ Farris ☒ Michal ☒ Zirke ☒
Time in: 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call A-1
[Minute 2:54](#)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge of Allegiance A-2
[Minute 3:04](#)

B. Be A Titan Recognition

Students, staff, and community members from all buildings were recognized for encompassing the behaviors and beliefs for what it means to “Be a Titan.”

Public
Part. B-1
[Minute 3:30](#)

C. Public Participation

The names and topics of participating community members are as listed: Sarah Kolis, BMHS Counselor, Proposed Policy of Therapy Dog on School Property.

Public
Part. C-1
[Minute 41:22](#)

The Board observed a moment of silence for Theresa Hahn.

D. Reports

Mr. Doug Schwind provided the Polaris update. The ERA Wing addition proposals have been submitted for construction. LPN space remodel is coming along quickly. Cosmetology students participated in A Night To Shine. He shared statistics of the Polaris Class of 2023 Post-Graduation Follow-up. The career expo will be held On May 15th and 16th.

Polaris Report
D-1
[Minute 45:13](#)

BFT representatives from different schools shared updates. Mr. Boone dedicated a moment to Theresa Hahn. The high school recognized several teachers and staff for their achievements. BMMS recognized staff and Students for their work and achievements.

BFT Report
D-2
[Minute 48:21](#)

E. Superintendent Recommendations

Mrs. Wheeler turned the floor over to Ms. Sancin, who gave an update on PBIS. Mrs. Wheeler explained the Brown’s sponsored, women’s flag football team, that will begin play this spring. She Shared a positive email she received regarding the recent gymnastics competition held at BMMS, and the Work of the district’s exemplary staff, on February 17th and 18th from Don Shutz, the gymnastics tournament director.

Supt. Update
E-1
[Minute 53:02](#)

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve items E3 through E15 as part of the consent Agenda.

Ayes: Chapman ☒ Mack ☒ Farris ☒ Michal ☒ Zirke ☒
Nays: None

Consent
Agenda E-2
24-0311-2079
[Minute 1:05:48](#)

Zirke moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the classroom teacher to be paid for having An oversized classroom for the first semester as shown on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman - Abstain Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nayes: None

Oversized
Class E-16
24-0311-2080
[Minute 1:06:45](#)

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the Student Teaching Agreement and University Practicum Articulation Agreement between Liberty University and the Berea City School District as shown on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nayes: None

Liberty
University
E-17
24-0311-2081
[Minute 1:07:14](#)

Zirke moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to approve items E19-E20 as part of the consent Agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nayes: None

Consent
Agenda E-18
24-0311-2082
[Minute 1:07:48](#)

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the Berea-Midpark Middle School furniture Purchase as shown on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nayes: None

BMMS
Furniture E-21
24-0311-2083
[Minute 1:08:24](#)

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the Gardiner Proposal for the lighting retrofit Project in the Middle School as shown on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nayes: None

BMMS Lighting
Project E-22
24-0311-2084
[Minute 1:10:32](#)

Zirke moved and Mark seconded the recommendation to approve the contracts with New Story Schools Ohio for The 2023-2024 school year as shown on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nayes: None

New Story
Contract E-23
24-0311-2085
[Minute 1:11:44](#)

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the contract between the Berea City School District and The Gerson School as shown on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nayes: None

Gerson
Contract E-24
24-0311-2086
[Minute 1:12:20](#)

Mack moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to approve the agreement regarding transportation Supplemental pay for bus drivers in training between the Berea City School District and OAPSE as shown On the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nayes: None

Transportation
Agreement
E-25
24-0311-2087
[Minute 1:12:39](#)

Zirke moved and Farris seconded the recommendation to approve the purchase of replacement network Switches for Big Creek Elementary as shown on the agenda:
Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nayes: None

Big Creek
Network
Switches E-26
24-0311-2088
[Minute 1:14:16](#)

Farris moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the purchase of replacement network Switches for Berea-Midpark Middle School as shown on the agenda:

Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nays: None

BMMS
Network
Switches E-27
24-0311-2089
[Minute 1:14:45](#)

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to acknowledge the volunteer, licensed health Professional chaperoning the 2024 Choir field trip to NYC as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke
Nays: None

Overnight Field
Trip Chaperone
E-28
24-0311-2090
[Minute 1:15:12](#)

First Read of po 8390 Revised, Animals on District Property.

Board Policy
E-29
24-0311-2091
[Minute 1:16:34](#)

F. Treasurer Recommendations

Mrs. Rowe presented the February financial report.

Treasurer's
Update F-1
[Minute 1:25:35](#)

Zirke moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve items F3 through F8 as part of the consent Agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke

Nays: None

Consent
Agenda F-2
24-0311-2092
[Minute 1:27:18](#)

Farris moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve items F10 through F22 as part of the consent Agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke

Nays: None

Consent
Agenda F-9
24-0311-2093
[Minute 1:28:51](#)

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the 2023-2024 Service Agreement between PSI and the Academy of St. Bartholomew as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke

Nays: None

St.Bartholomew
PSI F-23
24-0311-2094
[Minute 1:30:27](#)

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the 2023-2024 Revised Service Agreement Between PSI and the Academy of St. Bartholomew as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke

Nays: None

St.Bartholomew
PSI F-24
24-0311-2095
[Minute 1:30:52](#)

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to approve the Purchase Order-Lease with NASPO/ ValuePoint for the lease of a new postage meter as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke

Nays: None

Postage Meter
Lease F-25
24-0311-2096
[Minute 1:31:59](#)

G. Regular Business

Zirke moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the minutes from the February 5, 2024, Regular Meeting as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris - Abstain Michal Zirke

Nayes: None

Minutes
Approval G-1
24-0311-2097
[Minute 1:32:58](#)

Farris moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2024, Regular Meeting as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke

Nayes: None

Minutes
Approval G-2
24-0311-2098
[Minute 1:33:21](#)

Discussion of revisions to the Board of Education handbook.

Board
Handbook G-3
[Minute 1:33:48](#)

Discussion of adding a student engagement liaison to the Board of Education.

Student
Liaison G-4
[Minute 1:40:17](#)

Mrs. Chapman provided the legislative updates on House Bills 436 and 440, and Senate Bills 17, 104, and 154. Hearings on HB 214 and SB 205 were held.

Legislative
Update G-5
[Minute 1:46:36](#)

The Education Foundation is happening this week. The Safety and Security Committee met on February 23. They are constantly updating and very focused on improving, so students can be as safe as possible.

Board Comm.
Rpts. G-6
[Minute 1:50:06](#)

Mr. Mack recognized recent athletic accomplishments. Mrs. Zirke commented on recent hiring. Mrs. Chapman Announced Board community engagements that will be occurring throughout the communities.

Board
Comments G-7
[Minute 1:51:04](#)

H. Adjournment

Mack moved and Zirke seconded the recommendation to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Chapman Mack Farris Michal Zirke

Nayes: None

Adjournment
H-1
24-0311-2099
[Minute 1:55:26](#)

Time adjourned: 8:22 p.m.

Date of Approval: 04/15/2024

Approved: Ana Chapman

Attest: Julia Lowe