



Minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting of the Berea City School District held on Monday, January 9, 2023, immediately after the Organizational Meeting at the Berea-Midpark High School, ATLAS Room, 165 E. Bagley Rd., Berea, OH 44017, and shown remotely on YouTube at the following address:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2eDqel9zE2CFfmt6DakRiA/videos?view_as=subscriber

A. Opening Meeting

Members present: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke – Absent
Time in: 7:17 p.m.

Roll Call A-1
[Minute 16:57](#)

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge of Allegiance A-2
[Minute 17:20](#)

B. Special Recognition

None

Special Rec.
B-1

C. Public Participation

The names and topics of participating community members are as listed: Dave Ceccarelli, Board Bravos

Public Part.
C-1
[Minute 17:54](#)

D. Board Recognition

The Board members gave shoutouts to various staff, students and groups in the district.

Board Bravos
D-1
[Minute 21:15](#)

E. Superintendent Recommendation

Mrs. Wheeler shared the finalized District Strategic Plan. She also brought up a change to the Board agenda. Going forward the agenda will be ready by the Wednesday prior to the upcoming meeting for the BOE members only to access a draft. The agenda would then go live on Friday at 3:00 p.m.

Supt. Update
E-1
[Minute 24:42](#)

The Board members were presented with certificates in honor of School Board Recognition month.

School Board
Recognition E-2
[Minute 36:11](#)

Mack moved and Postel seconded the recommendation to approve items E4 - E11 of the consent agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke – Absent
Nays: None

Consent
Agenda E-3
23-0109-1830
[Minute 39:37](#)

Postel moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation that Kindergarten through First Grade Certified Teachers and Intervention Specialists be paid \$25.00 per hour for the completion of the K-1 Dyslexia training as shown on the agenda.

Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke – Absent
Nays: None

Dyslexia
Training E-12
23-0109-1831
[Minute 40:29](#)

Chapman moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the classified substitute rates of pay and program rates of pay as outlined below be adopted for the 2022-2023 school year effective January 1, 2023
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke – Absent
Nays: None

Sub. Rates of Pay E-13
23-0109-1832
[Minute 43:09](#)

Postel moved and Mack seconded the recommendation that effective January 1, 2023, the individuals selling tickets/working athletic events for the 2022-2023 school year be paid at the rate of \$11.00 per hour/regular season game(s) and \$35.00 per hour/OHSAA tournaments.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke – Absent
Nays: None

Ticket Sellers/Workers E-14
23-0109-1833
[Minute 43:44](#)

Chapman moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the revision to the BASA contract stating that Members of the Administrative Team are not eligible to hold a supplemental contract in the teacher's contract unless approved at the discretion of the Superintendent.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke – Absent
Nays: None

BASA Contract E-15
23-0109-1834
[Minute 44:23](#)

F. Treasurer's Recommendation

Mrs. Rowe will link the monthly report to the next agenda as it wasn't completed in time to add to the current agenda. The audit has been completed and the Board has received a draft and it should be released publicly in the next few days.

Treasurer's Update F-1
[Minute 46:04](#)

Postel moved and Mack seconded the recommendation that items F3- F7 be approved as part of the consent agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke - Absent
Nays: None

Consent Agenda F-2
23-0109-1835
[Minute 47:07](#)

Mack moved and Chapman seconded the approval of the acceptance of the gift/donation as shown on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke - Absent
Nays: None

Approval of Gift/Donation F-8
23-0109-1836
[Minute 48:19](#)

Postel moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation to approve the attached Service Agreement between psi Affiliated, Inc. and Berea City School District for Remedial/Title 1 Teacher Services at St. Charles Borromeo for the 2022-2023 school year.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke - Absent
Nays: None

Approval of Svc. Agrmt. Psi Affil. F-9
23-0109-1837
[Minute 48:59](#)

Mack moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation to approve the revised Service Agreement between psi Affiliates, Inc. and Berea City School District for Title I Services at the Academy of St. Bartholomew for the 2022-2023 school year as shown on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke - Absent
Nays: None

Approval of Svc. Agrmt. Psi Affil. F-10
23-0109-1838
[Minute 49:54](#)

Chapman moved and Postel seconded the recommendation to approve the Tax Budget for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2023 as presented by the Treasurer and the Tax Budget Hearing held on January 9, 2023 and as appears on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke - Absent
Nays: None

Tax Budget Approval F-11
23-0109-1839
[Minute 50:48](#)

G. Regular Business

Chapman moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2022, Regular Meeting as shown on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke - Absent
Nays: None

Minutes
Approval G-1
23-0109-1840
[Minute 51:18](#)

HB 151 that folded into SB 178 passed in the Senate but was then voted down in the House. The State Board of Education Resolution was voted on 10 - 7 to adopt an amended version of the original.

Legislative
Update G-2
[Minute 51:47](#)

None

Board
Comm. Rpts.
G-3

None

Board Cmnts.
G-4

H. Public Participation

Ed Dean, Olmsted Falls resident, stated that he requested information via certified mail and he did not get a response. He then said that Mrs. Chapman told him he would not get a response. Mr. Dean stated that he was then told that he should have received an email response and claimed that he had not. He is still awaiting a response. Mr. Dean then said that he is waiting for a response from Mrs. Wheeler in regards to procedures on how people can get on the committee for curriculum review. He requested a form for a formal protest in respect of the curriculum used in the Berea City School District. Mr. Dean said that BCSD is in violation of three state statutes.

Public Part.
H-1

Steve Mehozonek, Berea resident, began by congratulating Mrs. Farris on her new role as BOE President. He went on to say that he hopes the public participation portion of the meeting returns to being live-streamed. Mr. Mehozonek stated that it is helpful for parents that cannot attend the BOE meetings are able to view what is being brought to the attention of the Board. He said that he feels like they are not be transparent if they are not willing to take the criticism. Mr. Mehozonek stated that if they were not able to take the criticism then they shouldn't run for public office. He feels as though it looks like they are hiding something.

I. Executive Session

Postel moved and Chapman seconded to cancel the Executive Session shown on the agenda.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke - Absent
Nays: None

Executive
Session I-1
23-0109-1841

J. Adjournment

Chapman moved and Mack seconded the recommendation to adjourn the meeting.
Ayes: Chapman Farris Mack Postel Zirke - Absent
Nays: None

Adjournment
J-1
23-0109-1842

Time adjourned: 8:00 p.m.

Date of Approval: Jan 24, 2023 Approved: Corinne A. Farris Attest: Jul A. Lowe