

**FRANKLIN MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

Regular Meeting

Music Room

May 15, 2024

President Scott Myers, called the meeting to order at 5:28 pm.

Roll Call:	Mr. Scott D. Myers	Present
	Mrs. Jana Baker	Absent
	Mr. Jason Baker	Present
	Mr. Rodney Baker	Present
	Mr. Rick Filbrun	Present

Retiree Recognition: *Linda McKibben*

Teacher of the Year – *Kristine Happy*

Student Recognition

Xilo Woodworth, Rosie Quinn-Simason, Adelynn Longenecker, Rhyan Cool, Brielle Davenport, Ava Thomas, Levi Heck – are being recognized for the character trail of Friendship for the month of April.

Mason Lair, Anneliese English, Quincy Cox, Andrew Labosky – are being recognized as Students of the Month for April.

Hallie Aslinger – is being recognized as the Valedictorian for the Class of 2024.

Savannah Crist and Emma Denlinger – are being recognized as Salutatorians for the Class of 2024.

Kaylee Adams – is being recognized as the MVCTC Salutatorian for the Class of 2024.

PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD – None

AGENDA APPROVAL

Resolution SP808-05-24

Mr. Jason Baker moved and Mr. Rodney Baker seconded a motion to remove item XIII B. 5 from the agenda.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jason Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Resolution SP808-05-24 adopted

Resolution SP809-05-24

Mr. Jason Baker moved and Mr. Rodney Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jana Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Resolution SP809-05-24 adopted

SCHOOL FINANCE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED BY THE TREASURER (Items 1-5)

Resolution SP810-05-24

Mr. Filbrun moved and Mr. Jason Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jason Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Resolution SP810-05-24 adopted

1. The Treasurer recommends approving the minutes from the regular monthly meeting held April 17, 2024 and the special board meetings held April 3, 2024 and April 24, 2024.
2. The Treasurer recommends approving Bank Reconciliation, Expenditures, Financial Journal and accompanying documents.
3. The Treasurer recommends accepting a donation from an anonymous donor in the amount of \$1,500.00 for fence materials and for labor for the fence and sign repair.
4. The Treasurer recommends approving the Five Year Forecast for submission to the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce.
5. The Treasurer recommends approving the contract renewal with the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council for the 2024-2025 school year.

END OF SCHOOL FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Elementary Principal's Report – Megan Linder

- A. Building Updates

Secondary Principal's Report – Diane Voress

- A. Building Updates

Superintendent's Report – Jeremy Pequignot

- A. Overview of Agenda
- B. Facility Updates

**SCHOOL BUSINESS CONSENT CALENDAR AS RECOMMENDED BY THE
SUPERINTENDENT (Item 1-17)**

Resolution SP811-05-24

Mr. Jason Baker moved and Mr. Filbrun seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jason Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Resolution SP811-05-24 adopted

1. The Superintendent recommends approving all extra-curricular travel expenses come out of the General Fund for the 2024-2025 school year.
2. The Superintendent recommends approving a student/technology fee of \$50.00 for each K-12 student during the 2024-2025 school year.
3. The Superintendent recommends approving the Elementary Student Handbook, effective the 2024-2025 school year.
4. The Superintendent recommends approving the Preschool Student Handbook, effective the 2024-2025 school year.

Mr. Filbrun asked if the lunch prices and bus drivers will be updated in the Student Handbooks after tonight. He also pointed out that the Vice President of the Board is incorrect in the Preschool Student Handbook.

5. The Superintendent recommends approving the Middle/High School Handbook, effective the 2024-2025 school year.
6. The Superintendent recommends approving the Player & Parent Athletic Handbook, effective the 2024-2025 school year.
7. The Superintendent recommends approval of Lifewise Academy for the 2024-2025 school year.
8. The Superintendent recommends approving the Darke County ESC Certified Sub List.
9. The Superintendent recommends approving all current subs for the 2024-2025 school year.

10. The Superintendent recommends approving the Transportation Coordinator Job Description.
11. The Superintendent recommends approving the Darke County ESC Primary Contract for the 2024-2025 School Year.
12. The Superintendent recommends approving the Darke County ESC Foundation Contract for the 2024-2025 School Year.
13. The Superintendent recommends approving the Council on Rural Services Programs Agreement for the 2024-2025 school year to cover services provided by ACES.
14. The Superintendent recommends approving the change for the Boys' Basketball Team to attend a team camp in Marietta, Ohio from May 31, 2024 – June 1, 2024 that was previously board approved on April 17, 2024 for the Boys Basketball Team to attend a team camp from the University of Indianapolis on June 1, 2024.
15. The Superintendent recommends approving the following cafeteria prices for the 2024-2025 school year:

PK-6 Lunches	\$2.85
7-12 Lunches	\$3.10
Breakfasts (PK-12)	\$2.25

16. The Superintendent approval of the following students for graduation contingent upon meeting all state and local requirements:

<i>Kaylee Noel Adams</i> <i>Hallie Grace Aslinger</i> <i>Joslyn Marie Barna</i> <i>Aleya Nicole Beatty</i> <i>Reed Michael Bowser</i> <i>Jadyn Michele Brandt</i> <i>Lauren Taylor Buhl</i> <i>Savannah Belle Crist</i> <i>Emma Grace Denlinger</i> <i>Sherry Dong</i> <i>Grace Ellen Dowler</i> <i>Elizabeth Peri Miller Earwood</i> <i>Lane Warner Eikenberry</i> <i>Carson Ty Figel</i>	<i>Mason Ryan Lair</i> <i>Kayden Joshua Lamb</i> <i>Mina Jo Lavy</i> <i>Gabriel Michael Longenecker</i> <i>Paige Noel Luchini</i> <i>Emma Michelle Jie Miller</i> <i>Tyler Douglas Miller</i> <i>Conner E Neitzelt</i> <i>Amber Lynn Nottingham</i> <i>Mason Lee Sackett</i> <i>Olivia Drew Sease</i> <i>Lillie Mae Shellabarger</i> <i>Elizabeth Annalynn Rose Short</i> <i>Lily Anne Shuttleworth</i>
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<i>Libby Renee Fox</i> <i>Mitchell Blake Garber</i> <i>Quinter Evan Garber</i> <i>Jocelyn Jo Gray</i> <i>Ayden Lee Hackney</i> <i>Joanie Elizabeth Hall</i> <i>Jacob Aaron Heisey</i> <i>Keihl Morgan Johnson</i> <i>Mia Christine Kellems</i> <i>Abigail Denise Knipp</i> <i>Andrew Brian Kress</i>	<i>Natalie Carrol Suter</i> <i>Gage Allen Wackler</i> <i>Ethan James Warner</i> <i>Isaac Paul White</i> <i>Rhiannon Eola Wilken</i> <i>Dalton Nicholas Winterrowd</i> <i>Jozlynn Allene Wintrow</i> <i>Jenna Renee Wolfe</i> <i>Reuben Mark Wray</i> <i>Abigail Sophia Yeomans</i>
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17. Personnel

- a. The Superintendent recommends approving the following individuals to conduct 2024 summer school at a rate of \$30.00 per hour.

Sara Fox
Cheryl Gray
Tara Hanuscin
Michelle Harrison
Teresa Hartzell
Malinda Quinn
Ruth Ragsdale

- b. The Superintendent recommends accepting the following resignation(s), effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

Kathryn Crowe *Social Studies Teacher*
Andrew Tyler Zimmerman *Athletic Director*

- c. The Superintendent recommends approving the hiring of the following certified position(s) effective with the 2024-2025 school year, pending meeting all requirements. Salaries per board adopted schedules.

Kaitlyn Roop *Social Studies Teacher*
Gentry Glasscoe Schlamb *7-12 Language Arts Teacher*

- d. The Superintendent recommends approving the hiring of the following classified position(s) effective with the 2024-2025 school year, pending meeting all requirements. Salaries per board adopted schedules.

Amy Hauser *Bus Driver*
Jordan Turner *Bus Driver*

- e. The Superintendent recommends approving contracts for supplemental advisors and extracurricular position(s) for classified, on-staff personnel for the 2024-2025 school year, pending meeting all requirements. Salaries per board adopted schedules.

Morgan Bridenbaugh *Volleyball – 8th Grade*

- f. The Superintendent recommends approving contracts for supplements advisors and extracurricular position(s) for classified, not-on-staff personnel for the 2024-2025 school year, pending meeting all requirements. Salaries per board adopted schedules.

Amy Booher *Volleyball – 7th Grade*
Taylor (Hackney) Collins *Cross Country (.5 basis)*
Taylor (Hackney) Collins *Cross Country – Assistant (.5 basis)*
Ralph Tim Barga *Basketball – Girls’ Varsity Coach*
Martin Maksvytis *Basketball – Boys’ Reserve/Var. Asst.*
Brian Robison *Boys’ Varsity Soccer Coach*
Bryce Robison *Boys’ Reserve/Var. Asst. Soccer Coach*

- g. The Superintendent recommends approving the following volunteer supplemental advisors and extracurricular position(s) for certified, on-staff personnel for the 2024-2025 school year, pending meeting all requirements.

Brenda Oswalt *JH Volleyball*

- h. The Superintendent recommends approving the following volunteer supplemental advisors and extracurricular position(s) for classified, not-on-staff personnel for the 2024-2025 school year pending meeting all requirements.

Chloe McGlinch *Volleyball Volunteer*
Olivia (Murphy) Ressler *Volley Volunteer*
Daniel Wiseman *Boys’ Basketball Volunteer*
Jacob Aslinger *Boys’ Basketball Volunteer Program Aide*

- i. The Superintendent recommends approving all school bus drivers who drive at least three (3) extracurricular activities for payment during a school year will receive a \$250.00 stipend paid with their first payment in July following the end of the school year.
- j. The Superintendent recommends approving the following classified substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year, pending meeting all requirements.

Kerry Hanna Bus Driver

- k. The Superintendent recommends approving a 3% raise for the administrative positions of Elementary Principal and MS/HS Principal beginning August 1, 2024.

l. Professional Leaves

<i>Kevin Bergman</i>	<i>04/18/2024</i>	<i>Field Trip</i>
<i>Sara Novak</i>	<i>04/25/2024</i>	<i>Darke County JH Honor Band Rehearsal</i>
<i>Karina Robison</i>	<i>05/03/2024</i>	<i>RESA Meeting</i>
<i>Ethan Thieman</i>	<i>05/03/2024</i>	<i>RESA Meeting</i>
<i>Lindsey Tauscher</i>	<i>05/07/2024</i>	<i>Bears Mill Field Trip</i>
<i>Amanda Wackler</i>	<i>05/07/2024</i>	<i>PD at ESC</i>
<i>Angie Baker</i>	<i>05/10/2024</i>	<i>In Flight In-service Day</i>
<i>Brenda Oswalt</i>	<i>05/15/2024</i>	<i>Special Education Meeting Darke County ESC</i>
<i>Kevin Bergman</i>	<i>05/15/2024</i>	<i>BPA/FFA Kings Island Field Trip</i>
<i>Miranda Harleman</i>	<i>05/15/2024</i>	<i>Special Education Meeting Darke County ESC</i>
<i>Ed Porter</i>	<i>05/15/2024</i>	<i>Special Education Meeting Darke County ESC</i>
<i>Amanda Coomer</i>	<i>05/15/2024</i>	<i>BPA/FFA Kings Island Field Trip</i>
<i>Machelle Rhoades</i>	<i>05/15/2024</i>	<i>BPA/FFA Kings Island Field Trip</i>
<i>Brenda Oswalt</i>	<i>05/16/2024</i>	<i>Fifth Grade Field Trip to US Air Force Museum</i>
<i>Duane Warvel</i>	<i>05/16/2024</i>	<i>Set up for Field Day</i>
<i>Machelle Rhoades</i>	<i>05/17/2024</i>	<i>Young's Dairy Field Trip</i>
<i>Brenda Oswalt</i>	<i>05/17/2024</i>	<i>Young's Dairy Field Trip</i>
<i>Jennifer Watercutter</i>	<i>05/17/2024</i>	<i>Young's Dairy Field Trip</i>
<i>Miranda Harleman</i>	<i>05/17/2024</i>	<i>Kings Island Field Trip</i>

<i>Samantha Porter</i>	<i>05/17/2024</i>	<i>Kings Island Field Trip</i>
<i>Kevin Bergman</i>	<i>05/20/2024</i>	<i>MVCTC Satellite Instructor Meeting</i>
<i>Sharon Maurice</i>	<i>05/20/2024</i>	<i>MVCTC Satellite Instructor Meeting</i>
<i>Kim Berner</i>	<i>06/04/2024, 06/11/2024, 06/18/2024</i>	<i>EMIS Weekly Workshop</i>

END OF SCHOOL BUSINESS CONSENT AGENDA

Items Removed for Separate Action

Resolution SP812-05-24

Mr. Jason Baker moved and Mr. Rodney Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Jason Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Abstain: Myers

Resolution SP812-05-24 adopted

1. The Superintendent recommends approving contract for supplemental advisors and extracurricular position(s) for classified, no-on-staff personnel for the 2024-2025 school year. Salaries per board adopted schedules.

Troy Myers *Basketball – Boys’ Varsity Coach*
Alisa Myers *Cheerleading - Varsity*

Resolution SP813-05-24

Mr. Rodney Baker moved and Mr. Jason Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jason Baker, Rodney Baker
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Abstain: Filbrun

Resolution SP813-05-24 adopted

2. The Superintendent recommends approving contracts for supplemental advisors and extracurricular position(s) for classified, not-on-staff personnel for the 2024-2025 school year. Salaries per board adopted schedules.

<i>Angie Filbrun</i>	<i>Volleyball – Varsity</i>
<i>Jody Bauman</i>	<i>Volleyball – Reserve</i>
<i>Danielle (McVey) Filbrun</i>	<i>Cross Country (.5 basis)</i>
<i>Danielle (McVey) Filbrun</i>	<i>Cross Country – Assistant (.5 basis)</i>

Resolution SP814-05-24

Mr. Filbrun moved and Mrs. Jason Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jason Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Resolution SP814-05-24 adopted

3. The Superintendent recommends approval of two (2) year Administrative Contract for Emily Bucholtz as Transportation Coordinator of the Franklin Monroe Local School District from August 1, 2024 through July 31, 2026.

Resolution SP815-05-24

Mr. Filbrun moved and Mr. Jason Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jason Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Resolution SP815-05-24 adopted

4. The Superintendent recommends approving the following:

RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH ELECTION ON THE QUESTION
OF A RENEWAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION

(Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.03, 5705.21, and 5705.25)

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2024, the Board passed a resolution (the “Resolution of Necessity”) declaring the necessity to renew for five years all of a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation, at the rate of 1.00 mill for each \$1 of taxable value, for the purpose of providing for the permanent improvements of the School District (the “Renewal Levy”); and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor of Darke County, Ohio (the “County Auditor”) has certified to the Board that the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the Renewal Levy assuming the taxable value of the School District remains constant throughout the life of the levy is \$31,000.00, rounded to the nearest \$1,000, based on the current total taxable value of the School District of \$125,211,760.00; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor has also certified to the Board that the amount of the Renewal Levy (based on the Renewal Levy’s “estimated effective rate” (as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01(Q)), as required by Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03(B)(2)(c)(i)) expressed in dollars, rounded to the nearest \$1, for each \$100,000 of the “county auditor’s appraised value” (as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01(P)), is \$8.00 (the “Estimated Cost”);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Franklin Monroe Local School District, Darke and Miami Counties, Ohio, two-thirds of all of the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. The Board determines to proceed with the submission of the question of the Renewal Levy to all of the electors of the School District at the rate of 1.00 mill for each \$1 of taxable value, for the purpose of providing for the permanent improvements of the School District, which the County Auditor has certified at the Estimated Cost for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s appraised value.

Section 2. As authorized by Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.21, the question of the Renewal Levy shall be submitted to all of the electors in the entire territory of the School District at the election to be held on November

5, 2024 (the “Election Date”). All of the territory of the School District is located in Darke and Miami Counties, Ohio.

Section 3. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of the Franklin Monroe Local School District for the purpose of providing for the permanent improvements of the School District, that the county auditor estimates will collect \$31,000.00 annually, at a rate not exceeding 1.00 mill for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$8.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s appraised value, for five years, commencing in 2025, first due in calendar year 2026.

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Section 4. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed to immediately certify, not later than August 7, 2024 (which date is not less than 90 days prior to the Election Date), to the Board of Elections of Darke County, Ohio (the “Board of Elections”), a copy of the Resolution of Necessity and a copy of this Resolution together with the certificate of the County Auditor certifying the current total taxable value of the School District, the estimated property tax revenue that will be produced by the Renewal Levy based on such total taxable value, and the amount of the Renewal Levy (based on the Renewal Levy’s estimated effective rate) expressed in dollars for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s appraised value.

Section 5. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall also certify to the Board of Elections that the Renewal Levy will be levied for five years and will include a levy on the tax list and duplicate for the 2025 tax year (commencing in 2025, first due in calendar year 2026), if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Resolution SP816-05-24

Mr. Filbrun moved and Mr. Jason Baker seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jason Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Resolution SP816-05-24 adopted

5. The Superintendent recommends approving the following:

RESOLUTION APPROVING SHORT-LISTED DESIGN BUILD FIRMS TO RECEIVE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE MULTIPURPOSE FIELDHOUSE PROJECT

The Superintendent recommends Arcon Builders, LTD and Level Master Builders, LLC as the short-listed firms resulting from the request for qualifications. Upon the approval of the Board, these firms will be issued the request for proposals in order for the Evaluation Committee to recommend the design-builder providing the “best value” to the Board.

Rationale:

1. The Board previously identified a need for the Project.
2. The Board requires the services of a design-builder to plan, design, coordinate, manage, and direct any and all phases of the Project.
3. Section 153.693 of the Ohio Revised Code prescribes the selection process, which is required to be followed by public entities when design-build services are needed.
4. The statutory process requires a publicly advertised Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) for design-build services and an evaluation by the Evaluation Committee of the statements of qualifications submitted by the firms.
5. Following this evaluation, the Evaluation Committee will identify the top three firms to be short-listed to provide the required design-build services except when it is determined that fewer than three qualified firms are available.
6. In accordance with the statutory process, the School District publicly advertised and issued a request for qualifications (“RFQ”) for design-build services for the Project. The Evaluation Committee reviewed and ranked two statements of qualifications received in response to the RFQ to create a short list because only two statement of qualifications were received.
7. Upon approval of the Board, the School District will issue a request for proposal to the short-listed firms.

8. Following receipt of the firms' technical and pricing proposals the Evaluation Committee will interview the firms and recommend the firm providing the "best value" to the Board.

The Franklin Monroe Local School District Board of Education resolves as follows:

1. The Board approves Arcon Builders, LTD and Level Master Builders, LLC as the short-listed firms to receive the request for proposals.

FRANKLIN MONROE BOARD REPORTS- Scott Myers updated everyone that the tabled item will not delay the schedule for the building design.

Resolution SP817-05-24

Mr. Jason Baker moved and Mr. Rodney Baker seconded a motion to enter into Executive Session, R.C. 121.22(G)(1) for the purpose of considering the employment of public employee(s) at 5:56 pm. Mr. Pequinot exited Executive Session at 8:09 p.m.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jason Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Resolution SP817-05-24 adopted

Resolution SP818-05-24

Mr. Jason Baker moved and Mr. Rodney Baker seconded a motion to exit Executive Session at 9:03 p.m.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jana Baker, Jason Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Resolution SP818-05-24 adopted

Resolution SP819-05-24

Mr. Rodney Baker moved and Mr. Rick Filbrun seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

Roll Call: Yeas: Myers, Jason Baker, Rodney Baker, Filbrun
Nays:
Absent: Jana Baker
Resolution SP819-05-24

Scott D. Myers, Board President

Morgan R. Bridenbaugh, Board Treasurer

Certificate Section 5705.412, Ohio Revised Code

It is hereby certified that the Franklin Monroe Local School District Board of Education, Darke County, Ohio, has sufficient funds to meet the contract agreement, obligation, payment or expenditure for the above, and has in effect for the remainder of the fiscal year and succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes which, when combined with the estimated revenue from all other sources available to the district at the time of certification, are sufficient to provide operating revenues necessary to enable the district to operate an adequate educational program on all days set forth in its adopted school calendar for the current fiscal year and for a number of days in the succeeding fiscal year equal to the number of days instruction was or is scheduled for the current fiscal year.

Treasurer

Superintendent

President, Board of Education