



OLDHAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 14, 2024 4:45 PM

*ARVIN EDUCATION CENTER
1650 Colonels Drive, La Grange, KY 40031*

Attendance Taken at: 4:46 PM

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Suzanne Hundley

Mr. Larry Dodson

Ms. Carly Clem

Ms. Allison Sheffer

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion Passed: Approval of the Agenda as presented passed with a motion by Larry Dodson and a second by Allison Sheffer. *4 Yeas - 0 Nays*

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Hundley asked the OCMS Choir students to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. INSTRUCTIONAL SESSION

Dr. Dylan Smith, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning presented a report on KSA testing results, IReady Data and Leadership Lift.

5. STUDENT SHOWCASE

OCMS Choir Students presented their showcase to the board. Emma Harrison, Choir Director at OCMS, led the Solo and Vocal Techniques class in their performance. The Choir performed several musical numbers to showcase the commitment to the Arts at OCMS.

6. RECOGNITIONS

IGNITE PASSION AWARD

The Ignite Passion Award recognizes individuals or groups that have demonstrated exceptional commitment and efforts in fostering passion and enthusiasm within Oldham County Schools. As noted last month, recipients of the Ignite Passion Award are not merely achievers; they are catalysts for positive change, transforming the atmosphere and culture within their school or within the school district. These individuals or groups possess a unique ability to ignite the flames of inspiration within students, staff, families, or the community, encouraging others to pursue excellence and embrace their own passions.

Locust Grove's Ignite Passion Award winner is Katie Thompson. Mrs. Johnson serves as the Library Media Specialist and STC at Locust Grove. Even though her office is in the library, her positive impact extends far beyond. Mrs. Johnson collaborates with their instructional coach to plan and implement professional learning for teachers in the area of explicit teaching. She models instructional practices for students and teachers during every library lesson. Her knowledge and expertise of evidence-based practices is extensive. Mrs. Johnson is consistently seeking opportunities to strengthen her teaching craft.

This year, Katie is a member of the Deeper Learning Cohort in Oldham County. Her innovative teaching style and drive to create rich learning experiences for students benefits the entire school community. She ignites a passion for reading with school-wide monthly reading challenges and rewards. In addition to all her daily teaching, she also hosts a book club before school for intermediate readers. Mrs. Johnson acknowledges the importance of involving families in education and she coordinates Grandparents Night

at the Book Fair, Sunrise Reader Events for families and she is an integral contributor to the yearly STEM Fair and Leadership Day.

Mrs. Johnson also serves as an essential member of Locust Grove’s leadership team. She works diligently with staff to create a positive climate and culture. She supports individual students by establishing relationships with those that need connection the most

The volunteer duo, Sonny and Sonja Mays, are the Oldham County Middle School Ignite Passion Award winners. Sonny and Sonja Mays are parents and grandparents of OCMS students. Last year, they took on leadership of the OCMS Booster club. Sonja is the president of the Booster Club and Sonny oversees the concession stands for all home athletic events. The Mays have been instrumental in building support for athletic programs, recruiting parent volunteers, and raising funds for new uniforms and equipment for the teams. They are tireless workers and can be seen at OCMS every Tuesday and Thursday night cheering on the teams, working the concession stand, and building relationships with OCMS families. They have helped ignite passion and energy among parents in the community, and we are truly grateful for their service and efforts.

“Yes, I Can” Award Winner

OCMS student, Ivy Becker, is the Kentucky Council for Exceptional Children (KYCEC) 2024 “Yes, I Can” winner in School and Community Activities category. This award honors children and youth with disabilities from across the state who excel at school and in the community.

In the summer of 2023, Ivy asked her mom to teach her how to sew in order to make and sell bookmarks, in hopes to inspire others to read. By the fall, Ivy had sewn hundreds of bookmarks and was selling them to educators, family, and friends. Ivy also sold her bookmarks at a local brick and mortar in LaGrange. As a way to give back to others, Ivy donates proceeds from her sales to several charities that are close to her heart, including the PKD Foundation, Aicardi-Goutieres Syndrome Advocacy Association, and Cincinnati Children’s Hospital.

Ivy has found a creative and passionate way to engage community members of all ages and to share her love of reading. Her philanthropic efforts to raise funds for disability research will make a positive impact in Oldham County and beyond. It’s remarkable how she dedicates herself to helping other while also navigating her own obstacles with determination and strength. Her ability to overcome difficulties serves as a powerful example to everyone around her, demonstrating that a positive attitude can lead to great things.

National Merit Semifinalists

Each year, the National Merit Scholarship Corporation honors students across the nation whose scores are the highest in the PSAT/NMSQT test taken in the fall of their junior year. This year, seven students from Oldham County Schools have been named National Merit Semifinalists.

Approximately one-third of the national high scorers on the PSAT/NMSQT, are notified that they have qualified as semifinalists. Semifinalists advance to finalist standing in the scholarship competition by meeting high academic standards, as well as demonstrating community involvement, strong work ethic, and extracurricular pursuits. Additionally, the student must be recommended by a high school official, write an essay, and earn SAT scores that align with their earlier performance on the qualifying test. Finalists will be announced in the spring.

NOHS

Nicholas Fiorini
Charlie Dugan

OCHS

Madelyn “Duck” Evans
Hannah Tatum

SOHS

Ethan Raque
Larkin Hendren
Nihal Jacob

TERMINATIONS**Certified
Classified****APPOINTMENTS****Certified**

Steven Emerson	As Needed Interim Administrator, Camden Station Elementary School, Effective September 16, 2024
Tracey Harris	As Needed Assistant Principal, North Oldham Middle School, Effective September 18, 2024
Judy Sanders	Intervention Teacher, Buckner Elementary School, Effective September 23, 2024
Jonathan Wosoba	As Needed Interim Administrator, Camden Station Elementary School, Effective September 16, 2024

Classified

Patrick Ashley	Grounds Worker, Grounds Department, Effective September 23, 2024
Angela Brooks	ECS Aide, South Oldham Middle School, Effective September 16, 2024
Jorri Francis	Receptionist, Crestwood Elementary School, Effective September 23, 2024

Probationary Classified

April Hall	Cook, South Oldham High School, Effective September 16, 2024
Jea Weitlauf	Kitchen Manager, South Oldham High School, Effective October 14, 2024

Temporary Classified**Seasonal****Substitute Classified****Substitute Teachers**

Donald Brooks	Substitute Teacher, effective October 3, 2024
Jessica Bunch	Substitute Teacher, effective September 3, 2024
Kevin Combs	Substitute Teacher, effective September 16, 2024
Eliza Dillon	Substitute Teacher, effective October 2, 2024
Whitney Marion	Substitute Teacher, effective September 23, 2024
Rebecca Moehlmann	Substitute Teacher, effective October 1, 2024
Emma Phillips	Substitute Teacher, effective September 16, 2024
Lauri Rush	Substitute Teacher, effective September 30, 2024
Sean Tolson	Substitute Teacher, effective September 24, 2024

LEAVE OF ABSENCE**Certified**

Margaret Atcher	Teacher, South Oldham Middle School, FMLA/Medical Leave Change, Effective August 9, 2024 through approximately November 4, 2024
Jessica Bailey	Librarian, Harmony Elementary School, FMLA/Maternity Leave, Effective September 6, 2024 through approximately November 29, 2024
Patricia Boone	Teacher, South Oldham Middle School, FMLA/Medical Leave, Effective September 9, 2024 through approximately September 27, 2024
Patricia Boone	Teacher, South Oldham Middle School, FMLS/Medial Leave Extension, Effective September 9, 2024 through approximately October 18, 2024
Elizabeth Christiansen	Teacher, Centerfield Elementary School, FMLA/Maternity Leave, Effective September 9, 2024 through approximately December 6, 2024
Mary Esterle	Teacher, Buckner Alternative High School, FMLA/Medical Leave Extension, Effective August 13, 2024 through approximately November 19, 2024
Bethany Mader	Counselor, LaGrange Elementary School, FMLA/Maternity Leave, Effective September 9, 2024 through approximately December 20, 2024
Lindsay Martin	Teacher, Camden Station Elementary School, FMLA/Medical Leave Change, Effective August 28, 2024 through approximately November 19, 2024
Megan Rogers	Teacher, North Oldham High School, FMLA/Maternity Leave, Effective September 2, 2024 through approximately November 6, 2024
Allison Steineker	Principal, North Oldham Middle School, FMLA/Medical Leave, Effective September 16, 2024 through approximately October 7, 2024
Nicole Wilson	Teacher, Camden Station Elementary School, FMLA/Maternity Leave, Effective September 4, 2024 through approximately November 22, 2024

Classified

Kellee Gibbs	ECS Aide, Oldham County Preschool, Medical Leave, Effective September 3, 2024 through Approximately October 13, 2024
Kathryn Powell	Childcare Aide, Camden Station Elementary School, Medical Leave, Effective August 13, 2024 through Approximately December 20, 2024
Mildred Schetler	Childcare Aide, Crestwood Elementary School, Medical Leave, Effective September 9, 2024 through Approximately October 21, 2024

CHANGE IN ASSIGNMENT

Certified

Amy Jones Transfer/Change, from District Wide Substitute Teacher to Teacher at South Oldham Middle School, Effective September 23, 2024

Jessica Wells Transfer/Change, from ECS Teacher at Oldham County Middle School to Regular Education Teacher at Oldham County Middle School, Effective October 2, 2024

Classified

Kathleen Clements Transfer/Change, from Accounting Specialist ECS Department to Administrative Assistant ECS Department, Effective October 1, 2024

Angela Davis Transfer/Change, from District Wide Substitute Cook to Full Time Cook at Buckner Elementary School, Effective September 16, 2024

Kevin Gentry Transfer/Change, from Seasonal Childcare Aide at Goshen Elementary School to Full Time Childcare Aide at Goshen Elementary School, Effective September 23, 2024

ADDITIONAL DAYS/HOURS

Certified

Courtney Swain Counselor, South Oldham High School, from part time .5 to full time .7, Effective September 12, 2024

Classified

REDUCTION IN HOURS/DAYS

Certified

Classified

SUSPENSION

Certified

Classified

PUBLIC REPRIMAND

Certified

DEMOTED

Certified

10. CONSENT ITEMS

Motion Failed: Approval of the Consent Agenda as presented failed to pass with a motion by Allison Sheffer and a second by Larry Dodson. *2 Yeas - 2 Nays*

Motion Passed: Approval of the Consent Agenda except item J, passed with a motion by Allison Sheffer and a second by Carly Clem. *4 Yeas - 0 Nays*

- A. Approved the field trips as attached and described below, pursuant to the condition that students not traveling on school buses, with their parents, or with a Board employee whose insurance carrier has named OCBE as an additional named insured, will be transported to and from their destination on an approved charter bus(es) and school(s) shall obtain written evidence of liability.

SCHOOL	GROUP	LOCATION/DATE	JUSTIFICATION	INSTR. DAYS LOST
NOMS	KYA	Crowne Plaza Nov 7-9, 2024	Overnight: KYA Parents	2
SOHS	Boys Basketball	Bowling Green December 21-22, 2024	Overnight: Tournament Parents	0
SOHS	Boys Basketball	Campbellsville, KY December 26-28, 2024	Overnight: Tournament Parents	0
OCMS	Honor Choir	Lexington, KY November 1-2, 2024	Overnight: Competition Parents	.5
EOMS	KYA	Crowne Plaza Nov 7-9, 2024	Overnight: KYA Parents	2
OCHS	Choir	Gatlinburg, TN May 1-4, 2025	Overnight: Performance Charter Bus	1
OCHS	Baseball	Panama City March 30-April 4, 2025	Overnight: Spring Break Trip Parents	0
NOHS	Girls Cross Country	Gatlinburg, TN July 26-32, 2025	Overnight: Training Camp Parents	0

OCMS	KYA	Crowne Plaza Nov 7-9, 2024	Overnight: KYA Parents	2
SOMS	KYA	Crowne Plaza Nov 7-9, 2024	Overnight: KYA Parents	2

B. Approval of Facility Items

1. Approval of the BG-2, BG-3, and Design Development Documents for the South Oldham High School Ph 3 Renovation & Addition Project.
2. Approval of bids for the Water Treatment for HVAC loops district wide
3. Approval of the Revised BG-1 & Change Order #4 for the Former Liberty Elementary School Demolition and Site Improvements Project
4. Approval of Change Order #5 for the SOMS portion of the Career Tech Renovation and Addition @ OCMS & SOMS project.
5. Approval of the BG-4 and Project Reconciliation Revisions to the BG-1 for the Administrative Annex and Bus Garage Safety & Security Upgrades Project.
6. Approval of the BG-4 for the Safety and Security Upgrades at Various High Schools PH 2 project.
7. Approval of Project Reconciliation Revisions to the BG-1 for the Buckner Mechanical Upgrades project.
8. Approval of BG-5 for the South Oldham High School Shop Renovation Project.

C. Authorized the disposal of Surplus Property

- D. Approval of Contracts in Excess of \$40,000 & Post-Approval of Contracts of Less Than \$40,000, donations over \$1000, and authorized the Superintendent and Secretary of the Board, or his designee, to execute all of the above contracts, and ratified any contracts of these contract signed prior to formal approval:**

School/Dept	Vendor	Subject	Amount
District	Campbellsville University	Student Teachers	Per agreement
District	KY Works	After the Tassel works program	\$75,000.00
District	YMCA	Bus Rental	\$1.70 per mile
District	Pitney Bowes	Annex Postage Meter Lease	425.19/per quarter
NOHS	YMCA	Swim Team Pool Rental	\$600.00
NOHS	Creasey Mahan	Facility Rental for Rumble	\$17,216.00
NOHS	Jewish Community	Swim Team Rental	\$165.00 per week
OCHS	Bluegrass Rental	Homecoming	\$973.91.
OCHS	John Black	Golf Team Banquet	\$95.00
SOMS	CityPlace	Football Banquet	\$960.00
DONATIONS			
Kenwood	KW PTO	Funds for Technology	\$15,000.00
Kenwood	KW PTO	5 th Grade Committee	\$1,000.00
Crestwood	PTA	FRC & literacy	\$11,000.00
OCAC	Richwood Nursing Home	Student Activities	\$2,500.00
NOHS	Athletic Booster Club	Boys Basketball	\$4,000.00
OCHS	Athletic Booster Club	Girls Basketball Apparel	\$2,000.00
OCHS	BYB Event Services	Cheer Team	\$3,000.00
SOMS	Community Foundation	Cheer Uniforms	\$2,000.00
SOHS	Athletic Boosters	Various Sports	\$26,000.00

- E. Approval of BILLS & CLAIMS as presented.
- F. Approval of Early Graduation Hardship Requests.
- G. Approval of Shortened School Day for Students.
- H. Approval of 504 Chairs.
- I. Approval of ARC Chairs.
- J. Approval of Reallocation of Duties of Deputy Superintendent- Did not pass

11. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

A. Report on Accreditation

Dr. Dylan Smith submitted a report on accreditation to the board. The report was taken under advisement.

12. PUBLIC EXPRESSION

Chairperson Hundley stated it was time for public expression and called upon the public expression registrar for the list of registered speakers. No one had registered to speak.

13. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of the Bus Purchase

Motion Passed: Approval of the FY25 Bus Purchase passed with a motion by Larry Dodson and a second by Allison Sheffer. *4 Yeas - 0 Nays*

14. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following reports are provided to the board to take under advisement.

A. Preschool Monthly Report

B. Energy Report

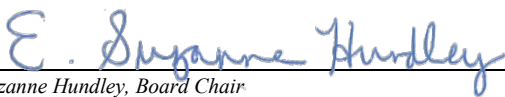
C. ORR Report

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion Passed: Approval to enter into Executive Session pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) to discuss litigation preparation or defense, the public disclosure of which would jeopardize the Board’s position, KRS 61.810(1)(b) deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property by a public agency, but only when publicity would be likely to affect the value of a specific piece of property to be acquired for public use or sold by a public agency passed with a motion by Carly Clem and a second by Allison Sheffer. *4 Yeas - 0 Nays*

16. ADJOURN

Motion Passed: With no further business to discuss. Approval to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 pm passed with a motion by Carly Clem and a second by Allison Sheffer. *4 Yeas - 0 Nays*



Suzanne Hundley, Board Chair



Jason Radford, Superintendent/Secretary