

West Branch Local School District Board of Education Meeting (Tuesday, December 12, 2023)

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Members present

Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

Also present were Superintendent Micki Egli and Treasurer Adam Fisher

Meeting called to order at 5:01 PM**A. Call to Order**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call

B. Agenda Approval**1. 2023-187 Approve Agenda**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the agenda for the 12/12/23 Board of Education Regular Session.

Motion by Mikki Kanagy, second by Joe Courtwright.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

C. Comments

1. Visitor's Comments - None
2. WBEA Comments - None
3. WBCEA Comments - None
4. Recognitions
 1. November Students of the Month - See attached
 2. Athletic Awards - Please see attached

D. Building Reports

1. Building Reports - Please see Board Docs

E. Superintendent's Report**1. Monthly Updates**

a. Mahoning County Commissioners attended the meeting. The board and Mrs. Egli publicly thanked them for their \$100,000 donation to expand the wood shop. After the meeting adjourned, we took them on a tour of the school and spent time in the wood shop explaining our plans.

b. 3rd Grade Ohio State Tests - Fall ELA

1. Received results earlier this month
2. 42% of students tested proficient or above (compared to 42% in 2022, 40% in 2021 and 41% in 2020)
3. 51% of students have already met the 3rd grade reading guarantee (compared to 60% in 2022 and 61% in 2021)
4. We are in line with our current typical West Branch achievement at the beginning of the 3rd grade school year. Administrators are conducting a deep dive item analysis to determine what standards we are consistently scoring high and/or low in.

c. Trane Update - Began LED Conversion at HS, building envelope projects are scheduled to begin 12-13-23 at HS - total district envelope project to be completed by 12-18-23.

d. Radio Upgrades: As of 2:30 today, all buses are running on a digital frequency! Mr. Graham's 5 year plan is to utilize our network along with the wireless on the buses to communicate wherever the buses go. The system that we have started to put in, (with upgrades added in at a later time) will allow a bus radio to leave the repeater range, connect to the bus wifi, communicate through the internet to our building network, then communicate to the tower and be heard even if they go to Columbus, etc. We are in process of upgrading all building handheld radios to be on the digital frequency

F. Consent Items**1. 2023-188 Consent Items**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Treasurer, approve the following items by consent action:

Treasurer's Consent Items**1. Minutes**

1. November 16, 2023 Work Session
2. November 16, 2023 Regular Meeting

2. Financial Reports

1. Cash Summary Report November 2023
2. Cash Reconciliation November 2023
3. Monthly Investment Statement November 2023
4. SM2M Report November 2023
5. Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources as of 12/8/2023
6. Detailed Check Register November 2023
7. Appropriation Summary Report November 2023
8. Appropriation Resolution as of 12/8/2023
9. November 2023 Transfers and Advance
 1. Transfer to Athletics for Bus Driver Wages (Annual)
 2. Advance to ESSER III
 3. Advance to Equity for Each Grant

3. Accounts Payable

1. Recommend approval to pay Squire, Patton, Boggs \$7,300

4. Gifts and Donations

1. Anonymous- \$1,000 to Middle School Backpack Program
2. Brunner Farm Market & Greenhouse - \$500 to F.F.A.

Superintendent' Consent Items**1. Personnel****1. Retirement**

1. Recommend approval to accept the retirement of Jody Edie, Transportation Supervisor, effective May 1, 2024.

2. Classified Substitutes

1. Gyasi Warsing

1. Athletic Supplementals

MS Wrestling Volunteer	Tyler Hicks
Scoreboard Operator	Victor Trimmer
Scoreboard Operator	Adam Fisher
Scoreboard Operator	John Ault
Scoreboard Operator	Evan Hancock
Scoreboard Operator	John Hancock
Scoreboard Operator	Zac Dean
Scoreboard Operator	Kip DeShields
Scoreboard Operator	TJ DeShields
Scoreboard Operator	Dru DeShields
Scoreboard Operator	Beth Hall

3. Indoor Track

1. Recommend to recognize our participation in indoor track for the 2023 - 2024 school year with Mike Falasca as a volunteer coach.
4. Recommend approval of professional days per attached list.

Motion by Aaron Hawk, second by Joe Courtwright.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

G. Old Business

1. 2023-189 Amended Substitute and Miscellaneous Rates

Recommend approval to amend the current Substitute and Miscellaneous Rates for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion by Bryan Hobbins, second by Mikki Kanagy.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

H. New Business

1. 2023-190 East Central Ohio Educational Service Center Contract

Recommend approval to enter into a contract with the East Central Ohio ESC to provide special education services for the 2023 ~ 2024 school year.

Motion by Joe Courtwright, second by Aaron Hawk.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

2. 2023-191 Eighth Grade Trip

Recommend the Board approve the Eighth Grade Field Trip to Washington, DC from May 28, 2024 - May 30, 2024.

Motion by Mikki Kanagy, second by David Yaggi.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

3. 2023-192 Set Organizational Meeting

Recommend the Board set the Organizational Meeting date and time for Thursday, January 11, 2024.

Time -- 5:30 p.m.
Place - West Branch High School Library

Motion by Joe Courtwright, second by Bryan Hobbins.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

4. 2023-193 Organizational Meeting President Pro Tem

Recommend approval to elect Bryan Hobbins as President Pro Tem for the January 11, 2024 organizational meeting.

Motion by Mikki Kanagy, second by Aaron Hawk.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright
Abstain: Bryan Hobbins

5. 2023-194 Board Member Compensation - Meetings

Recommend the board of education set compensation for Board Members for 2024 at \$100 per board meeting, including the county board meeting, for up to 20 meetings. (3313.12)

Motion by David Yaggi, second by Joe Courtwright.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

I. Executive Session

1. 2023-195 Executive Session

Recommend the West Branch Board of Education go into Executive Session at 5:19 P.M. for the purpose of discussion with regard to:

- ☒ Employment of a public official
- ☐ Appointment of a public official
- ☐ Dismissal of a public official
- ☐ Discipline of a public official

- ☐ Promotion of a public official
- ☐ Demotion of a public official
- ☒ Compensation of a public official
- ☐ Investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or student
- ☐ To confer with an attorney for the board of education concerning disputes involving the board that are the subject of pending or imminent court action
- ☐ To consider legal matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes
- ☐ To consider confidential information related to marketing plans, specific business strategy, or production techniques
- ☐ To consider the purchase of property for public purposes
- ☐ To consider the sale of property at competitive bidding
- ☐ To prepare for negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment
- ☐ To conduct negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment
- ☐ To discuss details relative to security arrangements and emergency response protocols or the board of education
- ☒ To consider matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes.
- Motion by Joe Courtwright, second by Bryan Hobbins.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

J. Adjournment

1. 2023-196 Adjourn

Recommend motion to adjourn at 5:59 p.m.

Motion by Bryan Hobbins, second by Bryan Hobbins.

Final Resolution: Motion Failed

Not Present at Vote: Mikki Kanagy, Aaron Hawk, Bryan Hobbins, David Yaggi, Joe Courtwright

Meeting adjourned at 5:59 P.M.

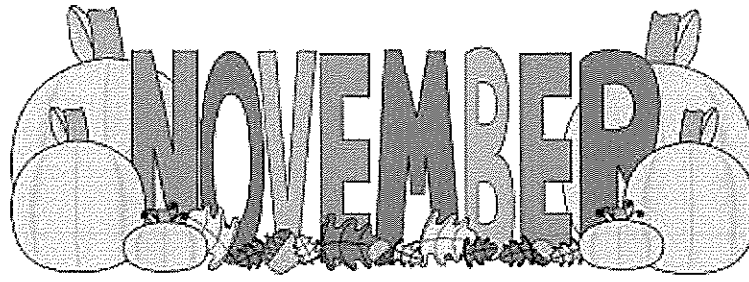


President

Attest:



Treasurer



Student of the Month

Mrs. Herman/**English** - Alli Kanagy

Miss Cooper/**Vo Ag** - Grady Rockwell

Miss Stittle/**Fine & Performing Arts** - Jude Corallo

Mrs. Bock/**Business** - Andrea Janosik

Mr. Ostheimer/**Social Studies** - Katelyn Schank

Mrs. Ross/**Global Language** - Mary Buehler

Mrs. Lough/**Mathematics** - Mady Klingensmith

Mr. Edie/**Health & Phys. Ed.** - Anshu Patel

Mrs. Robb/**Science** - Raelyn Walker

Mr. R. Sharp/**Engineering Tech.** - James Mincks

Mr. James/**Work Study/CBI/Transition** - Evilyn McCleery

Mrs. Sisson/**Consumer Science** - Chloe Troyer

ELKS TEEN OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER:
Kate Slutz & Riley Hendershott

November, 2023

Football:All-Northeast Inland District:

Joey Jackson- 1st Team

Boston Mulinix- 1st Team

Beau Alazaus- 1st Team

Nick Love- 1st Team

Anthony Perry- 2nd Team

Jeremiah Thomas- 2nd Team

Jack Flickinger- 2nd Team

Domenic Slimon- Hon. Mention

Cameron Summers- Hon. Mention

Garin Harlan- Hon. Mention

All-State

Beau Alazaus- 1st Team

Boston Mulinix- 2nd Team

Joey Jackson- 2nd Team

Nick Love- Hon. Mention

All Mahoning County

Beau Alazaus- Player of the Year

Joey Jackson

Boston Mulinix

Cam Summers

Garin Harlin

Nick Love

Jeremiah Thomas

Jack Flickinger

Dom Slimon

Anthony Perry

Girls Soccer:All State:

Sophia Gregory- 1st Team

Chloe Dennison- 2nd Team

All Region:

Sophia Gregory

