

**COPLEY-FAIRLAWN CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Regular Meeting

Copley High School Main Office Conference Room

August 15, 2023 5:30 p.m.

Steve Doss, President, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

John Wheadon, Treasurer, called the roll and the following were present:

Jim Borchik

Paul Cevalasco

Steve Doss

Beth Hertz

Paula Lynn - absent

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A. Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Borchik, seconded by Mr. Cevalasco, to adopt the agenda for the August 15, 2023 regular meeting, as presented.

AYES: Borchik, Cevalasco, Hertz, Doss

NAYS: None

B. Recognition of the Public

*The Copley-Fairlawn City School District Board of Education feels that while public participation in Board meetings is not required, it is a valuable way to receive input from community members. The Board will not enter into debate or discussion on any matter brought forward, instead the information will be forwarded to the proper individual for possible follow up. Those who wish to participate in the public comments section of the agenda must sign in on the sheet available at the entrance to the meeting. Those signed up to address the Board should limit their comments to a maximum of three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used according to Policy BDDH (Also KD) and Ohio Revised Code 121.22 and 3313.20.*

Shelley Melchior, Fairlawn, spoke in opposition of the current mascot being used. She said this is a good time to replace the Indian with another mascot because if the school district does it after construction is completed they will incur extra expenses to change it at that time. She quoted other people that are opposed to the current mascot. When quoting the others, she simply used he and she as opposed to using actual names.

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C. Treasurer's Business

It was moved by Mr. Cevalasco, seconded by Mrs. Hertz, to approve the following actions, upon the recommendation of the Treasurer:

1. Minutes

Approve the minutes of the Board of Education's regular meeting held July 27, 2023 and special meeting held on July 31, 2023.

2. Financial Statement

Approve the financial statement for the month of July, 2023.

AYES: Cevalasco, Hertz, Borchik, Doss

NAYS: None

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D. Superintendent's Considerations and Recommendations

It was moved by Mrs. Hertz, seconded by Mr. Cevalasco, to approve the following actions, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

1. Class I Literature Adoption

Adopt the following to be added to the Class I Literature List:

Refugee by Alan Gratz

2. Bus Routes

Approve the bus routes for the 2023-2024 school year.

3. Personnel

a. Certified

1. Accept the resignation of the following:

|               |                                    |
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| Plisko, Alise | Teacher, effective August 16, 2023 |
| Wenk, Kelsey  | Tutor, effective August 16, 2023   |

2. Employ the following certified personnel for the 2023-2024 school year; effective August 21, 2023, contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of Education of reports from FBI and BCII and official documentation of any required licensure, coursework, degrees and testing appropriate to the position for which the candidate is to be hired:

|                   |                                     |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Darling, Stevie   | Intervention Specialist, BA, Step 5 |
| DiGiacomo, Willow | Music Teacher, MA +30, part time    |
| Frazee, Kimberly  | Tutor, BA, part time                |
| Thomas, Scott     | Music Instructor, MA, Step 5        |
| Wenk, Kelsey      | Teacher, BA +12, Step 3             |

3. Grant an unpaid leave of absence for Heather Estright from August 21, 2023 until approximately November 13, 2023.

b. Classified

1. Accept the resignation of the following personnel:

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| Hasbach, Jennifer  | Library/Media Associate, effective August 1, 2023                     |
| Pittman, Sheila    | Educational Assistant, effective May 31, 2023 for retirement purposes |
| Samarigan, Nicolle | Cafeteria Worker, effective August 7, 2023                            |
| Siegel, Ashley     | Special Needs Assistant, effective August 11, 2023                    |
| Switocz-Cohen, Ann | Special Needs Assistant, effective August 7, 2023                     |

2. Employ the following classified personnel for the 2023-2024 school year; effective August 21, 2023, contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of Education of reports from FBI and BCII and official documentation of any required licensure, coursework, degrees and testing appropriate to the position for which the candidate is to be hired:

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| Maki, Corrine | Bus Aide |
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| Broughton, Curley   | Bus Aide, step 5                           |
| Duer Landals, Katie | Cafeteria Worker                           |
| Hillyard, Katherine | Cafeteria Worker                           |
| Horvath, Kristina   | Cafeteria Worker                           |
| McCallum, Lindsey   | Library/Media Associate                    |
| Sherbourne, Janet   | Special Needs Assistant/Playground Monitor |
| Short, Bryce        | ISS Monitor                                |
| Sisko, Carrie       | Cafeteria Monitor                          |
| Steffey, William    | Mechanic, step 5                           |
| Wright, Tenisha     | Special Needs Assistant, step 5            |

- Employ the following substitute personnel for the 2023-2024 school year, contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of Education of reports from FBI and BCII and official documentation of any required licensure, course work, degrees and testing appropriate to the position for which the candidate is to be hired:

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| Brown, Luke         | Custodian  |
| Buckner, Larry      | Custodian  |
| Dittmer, Sharma     | Secretary, Office Assistant, Library/Media Associate, Educational Assistant                                |
| Kusnyer, Marcia     | Special Needs Assistant, Playground Assistant  |
| Ouedraogo, Philemon | Bus Driver   |
| Roback, Christopher | Bus Driver   |
| Sisko, Carrie       | Special Needs Assistant, Secretary, Playground Assistant, Office Assistant, Educational Assistant, Monitor |
| Switocz-Cohen, Ann  | Special Needs Assistant  |
| Troxell, Mark       | Bus Driver   |
| Whatley, DeVonta    | Special Needs Assistant  |

c. Supplemental

- Employ the following for the 2023-2024 school year contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of Education of reports from FBI and BCII and official documentation of any required licensure, course work, degrees and testing appropriate to the position for which the candidate is to be hired:

Athletic Coaches

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| Solis, Julie       | CHS, Basketball, Girls Head Coach                        |
| Thomas Jr., Randy  | CHS, Basketball, Girls Assistant Coach                   |
| Harris, Robert L.  | CHS, Basketball, Girls Assistant Coach                   |
| Hinton, Amanda     | CHS, Swimming, Head Coach                                |
| Shovestull, Caleb  | CHS, Bowling, Head Coach                                 |
| Cantrell, Kaelyn   | CHS, Cheerleading, Head Coach, Winter                    |
| Ball, Brooklyn     | CHS, Cheerleading, Assistant Coach, Winter               |
| Morek, Annunziata  | CHS, Cheerleading, 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Coach, Winter   |
| Simon, Emily       | CFMS, 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Cheerleading Coach, Winter   |
| Gazdacko, Jocelyn  | CFMS, 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Cheerleading Coach, Winter   |
| Prucha, Brian      | CFMS, Basketball, 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Head Coach |
| Witschey, Daniel   | CFMS, Basketball, 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Head Coach |
| Short, Bryce       | CFMS, Basketball, 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Head Coach  |
| Hopkins, John      | CFMS, Wrestling, Head Coach                              |
| Yarborough, Marlon | CFMS, Wrestling, Assistant Coach                         |
| Grimes, Larry      | CHS, Wrestling, Head Coach                               |
| Tomayko, Joshua    | CHS, Wrestling, Assistant Coach                          |

Tomayko, Jason  
Wheeler, Isaiah

CHS. Wrestling, Assistant Coach (50%)  
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d. Auxiliary Services

1. (Copley-Fairlawn City School District is by law the fiscal agent for all auxiliary service funds, at no cost to the District)

Approve a contract for the 2023-2024 school year to employ the following at St. Hilary:

Scanlon, Christina

Intervention Specialist/Reading Teacher  
(full time)

AYES: Hertz, Cevasco, Borchik, Doss

NAYS: None

E. New Business

Mr. Borchik said he spoke to a township trustee and the fence around the new parking lot at the middle school that the township installed for their use will be completed prior to school starting on August 23, 2023.

Mr. Poe stated that kindergarten enrollment is at an all-time low during his tenure with only 168 enrolled for the upcoming school year. The lower enrollment was anticipated based on enrollment in the safety town programs over the summer. He also said the school district is still in need of hiring a part-time French teacher.

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F. Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Borchik, seconded by Mr. Cevasco, to adjourn the meeting (5:46 p.m.)

AYES: Borchik, Cevasco, Hertz, Doss

NAYS: None

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President

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Treasurer