

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 26, 2025**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 26, 2025, at the Chauncey Office, located at 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

President Mr. Wheeler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A moment of silent reflection was held and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Present	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Present
Mr. Mick Davenport	Present	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Present
Mr. John Depoy	Present	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Present
Mr. Gary Dicken	Present	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Present		

Ex-officio Members: Mr. Covert Absent Mr. Grippa Absent

**25-016.** Mr. Dicken moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting with corrections held on January 29, 2025. Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

**Public Participation**

Craig Burford, OESCA Executive Director: He did not show.

**Goal 1** – The AMESC Governing Board will maintain well-informed members by holding monthly questions and answer sessions on a variety of AMESC related topics including:

February: State Support Team and ODE Office Oversight  
Presented by : Julie Bays, SST Director

**Head Start Director’s Report and Recommendations**

**25-017** Mr. Dicken moved to approve the Head Start Monthly Financial Statements and out of state travel to Dawn Hall, Director, to attend wipfli Conference in Las Vegas, NV, July 14-18, 2025. Mr. Koehler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

**State Support Team Region 16 Director’s Reports and Recommendations**

No items for Board action at this time

**Executive Session**

No executive session during the meeting

**Treasurer’s Reports and Recommendations**

**25-018.** Mr. Depoy moved to approve the following Treasurer’s Reports and Recommendations as presented by Kevin Simons, Treasurer:

- A. Approval of Bills paid in January 2025
- B. Approval of Financial Report for January 2025

Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

## **Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations**

**25-019.** Mr. Dicken moved to approve items the following Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Lindy Douglas, Superintendent:

- A. Approve updates to Substitute Teacher and Substitute Aide Lists for Athens and Meigs County
- B. Approve the Technology Support Plan Agreement with Matrix J Technologies (MTJ) effective February 1, 2025.
- C. Accept the resignation of Baylee VanConney, Classroom Paraprofessional at Beacon School, effective February 18, 2025.
- D. Approve the Digital Academy Service Agreement between FutureEd Solutions, LTD and the Athens-Meigs ESC beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025

### Head Start

- E. Approve a position transfer to Lee Ann White, from Head Start Teacher at Green Elementary (190 days) to Teacher Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Academy (257 days), new rate of pay \$ 14.33 per hour, with benefits, and all other terms of contract remaining the same, effective February 18, 2025.
- F. Approve a position transfer to Breanna Henry, from Head Start Teaching Assistant at Rio Grande Elementary (190 days), to Head Start Teacher at Green Elementary (190 days) new rate of pay being \$ 30694.50 (Pro-rated), with benefits, and all other terms of contract remaining the same, effective February 18, 2025.

### Meigs

- G. Approve the Purchase Service/Liability Waiver Agreement between the Meigs Local School District, Athens-Meigs ESC, and Fred McDaniel (Contractor) for transportation of the student, Jeremiah "Darren" Hamilton, to the Ohio School for the Deaf, being effective February 8, 2025 through June 30, 2025.
- H. Accept the resignation of Amy Cook, Early Head Start Teacher Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Academy, effective February 13, 2025.

- I. Approve a One Year Contract (2024 through 2025) to Kiley Kingsley, Early Head Start Teacher Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Academy, 257 (prorated), at the rate of \$ 14.33 per hour, no benefits, effective February 27, 2025, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Mr. Koehler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Ms. Lynette Thompson	Yes
Mr. John Depoy	Yes	Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

### **Legislative Report**

Mr. Wheeler talked about SB101, SB106, HB103, SB107, SB81.

### **Tri-County Career Center Report**

Nothing new to report at this time.

### **Old Business**

No items were discussed.

### **New Business**

No items were discussed

The next regular Athens-Meigs ESC Governing Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 6:00 p.m., at Tri-County Career Center, 15676 State Route 691, Nelsonville, OH 45764

**25-020. Time 7:49 p.m.** Mr. Dicken moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Koehler seconded the motion. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned.

President

Treasurer