

Regular Meeting

October 20, 2022

Call To Order & Roll Call The Lynchburg-Clay Board of Education met for a regular meeting on Thursday, October 20, at Lynchburg-Clay Elementary School.

President Malone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The following members responded to roll call:

Mr. Malone, President	Present
Mr. Stroud, Vice President	Present
Mrs. Blankenship, Member	Present
Mr. Carraher, Member	Present
Mr. Warner, Member	Present

Pledge The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Mrs. Campbell and Ms. Balon were present to discuss middle school cheerleading. Mrs. Campbell asked the board and the superintendent if a revised cheerleading policy has been approved and if she could obtain a revised policy. Mr. Fisher updated the board and public on where the administration is on the policy. Mrs. Campbell felt like the public should not have had any input on cheerleading and policy prior to discussing the issue with the cheerleading coaches at Lynchburg-Clay. The Lynchburg-Clay administration revised the middle school cheerleading policy by adding language stating that no cradling and throwing a cheerleader in the air on dismount will be allowed at the middle school cheer level. This policy amendment was made as a result of an accident in which a middle school cheerleader was injured in a fall. Mrs. Campbell offered reasons why stunts should not be taken away from the middle school cheer group. Mrs. Darlene Diskette, a parent, voiced her concern about the cost to attend cheer camps and how much of a financial strain it adds to parents to pay for these camp fees. Mrs. Amber Rose was present and asked the board and administration if future modifications would be made to the middle school cheer policy. Mr. Fisher addressed Mrs. Rose’s question by stating that modifications to policy could take place based on accidents that may happen as in any other sport.

GREAT OAKS REPORT

Mrs. Blankenship stated the past Great Oaks Board meeting took place at the Laurel Oaks and the Laurel Oaks Culinary Class made supper for the board prior to the meeting. The board then proceeded to review and establish an ongoing strategy for Great Oaks President, Mr. Harry Snyder, to follow for the FY23 school year. The plan calls for three strategies for Mr. Snyder to implement: student achievement and exceptional engagement, exceptional culture and collaboration, and to work on the different campus safety protocols and facilities. The board wants the best safety and learning environment with the latest technology available for the students’ learning experience. Mrs. Blankenship then briefly discussed how Great Oaks performed on the state report card. Mrs. Blankenship referenced the latest economic news

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impacting Ohio with the retooling of various Honda plants and the establishment of a new battery plant in Fayette County. This will provide many more opportunities for the students at Great Oaks.
- 14000-22
Approve
Minutes

Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve the minutes from the September 22, 2022, board meeting.

Voice vote. All members voted yea. President Malone declared the motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT

- 14001-22
Financial
&
Investment
Reports

Mr. Warner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to approve the financial and investment reports as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call:

Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.
- 14002-22
Approve
Bills

Mr. Warner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to approve the presentation of bills as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call:

Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.
- 14003-22
Cafeteria
Report

Mr. Warner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to approve the cafeteria report as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call:

Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

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- 14004-22
Accept
Donations

Mr. Warner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to accept the donations as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call:

Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.
- 14005-22
Approve
Permanent
Appropriations
& Estimated
Receipts

Mr. Warner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to approve the permanent appropriations and estimated receipts for FY23 as presented by the treasurer.

Roll call:

Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- A) Lynchburg-Clay Elementary - The Lynchburg-Clay Elementary School was selected as one of 13 schools in Ohio, and one of 297 nationally, as National Blue Ribbon School for the extraordinary success of their students.
- B) Building Goals - The building principals were present at the meeting to discuss new goals and strategies they and the staff set to continue improvement on the next state report card. Each principal explained the areas that their staff and administration needs to work on, based on current state report card scores. The elementary building set new goals relating to student performance, student literacy, reading and staff professional development. Each grade level has established specific strategies in how to attain these goals as they relate to their specific grade. The elementary has also established a cultural goal to decrease student office referrals through the use of the PBIS and the revised character program where students good behavior is acknowledged through the use of different rewards. Dr. Casey Smith explained to the board the middle school will work on goals and strategies through language arts. The middle school staff will all be attending additional professional trainings as it relates to their field. The third goal in the middle school will relate to student culture and engaging the students who are missing a lot of school. The high school has also new academic goals and strategies, especially on math curriculum. The high school will also push staff to attend more professional development and have staff work with other schools to see how they implement goals for student achievement and staff will attend as many outside trainings as possible. The high school will also be working close with the high school mental health counselor, Joni Layne and Joni’s goal in working with all students that feel like they have any issue relating to their education, life, etc., they need to discuss.

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14006-22
Playground
Equipment

C) Elementary Playground Equipment - Mr. Fisher updated the board on the new playground equipment and bids on new equipment. Mr. Fisher also explained the board would be purchasing equipment for two playgrounds, one for Pre-K through age 5, the second playground is ages 6-12 at the elementary school. Mr. Fisher explained why the administration would still like to pursue purchasing playground equipment from GameTime. Mr. Fisher asked the board for discussion on this matter. Mr. Warner started the conversation by stating he felt GameTime was offering a grant as a tactic to sell their equipment. Mr. Warner stated he would like to see more quotes on playground equipment before making a decision. Mr. Warner sent information to Mr. Fisher for his review on playground equipment from a company out of Texas. After much discussion, Mr. Carraher made a motion to proceed with purchasing playground equipment from GameTime. The motion died for lack of a second. Let the minutes reflect the board moved and a motion to rescind the original motion made by Mr. Carraher to purchase playground equipment from GameTime, but after further review of the recorded minutes of October 20, 2022, this motion becomes void as the original motion made by Mr. Carraher died for lack of a second. Then a motion moved by Mr. Carraher and seconded by Mrs. Blankenship to allow Mr. Fisher to purchase playground equipment from the lowest and most responsible vendor up to a cost of \$137,000 was made. Roll call was taken with Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, no; Mr. Stroud, yea; and Mr. Malone, yea.

14007-22
Fencing
Project at
Trans.
Facility

D) Transportation Facility Update - i) Fencing Bid Process and Proposal - The district only received one bid from Colonial Post and Fence for fencing around the new bus facility. Mr. Fisher updated the board on the new fencing at the transportation facility. Mr. Fisher explained an ad had been put in the paper and on the school website concerning the project and the district was accepting quotes for a new fence. Sealed bids were accepted and opened by Mr. Fisher and Mr. Hawk on October 6, 2022. The only bid for the fence project was from Colonial Post & Fence, in the amount of \$39,724.36 for a fence with access gates across the front of the transportation facility, \$29,703.06 for electronic access to the drive thru gates and \$39,991.88 for a perimeter fence, bringing the bid for the total fence project to \$109,419.30.

After discussion of the fence project, Mr. Stroud moved and Mr. Carraher seconded the motion to approve the contract with Colonial Post and Fence to fence the total perimeter of the transportation facility with the front fence in black and the remainder being galvanized fence at a cost not to exceed \$125,000. If the cost of the total project exceeds \$125,000, then proceed with the front of the property being fenced in galvanized to keep the cost at or below \$125,000.

Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea, Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

ii) Fuel Tank Management System - Mr. Fisher updated the board on the quote from Buckeye Fuel Systems for the installation of a new fuel island. The bid from Buckeye Systems excluding concrete, is at state minimum pricing. Mr. Fisher also updated the board on a quote received from Vilvens & Sons for building a 24 x 42 foot concrete pad for the fuel station. The bid from Vilvens was \$10,600 for the concrete pad plus \$11,600 for the poles that are required by law to be set around the tank. The Board of Education asked Mr. Fisher to advertise for bids on a new fuel management system and bring the quotes back to the November 29, board meeting for discussion. Mr. Fisher handed out a spreadsheet showing the board what has been spent on the purchase and repair of the new transportation facility. The total cost to date on the facility is \$1,000,000.

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E.) Insurance Update - Mr. Fisher updated the board on the insurance claims for Lynchburg-Clay and possible alternative plans.

NEW BUSINESS

14008-22
Personnel

1.) Recommend to accept the resignation of Amy Snyder, High School Track Coach.

Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to accept the resignation of Amy Snyder.

Roll call:

Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

2.) Recommend the approval of the substitute teacher list from the Southern Ohio ESC.

Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to approve the substitute teacher list from Southern Ohio ESC.

Roll call:

Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

3.) Recommend to accept the approval of Colista Holsinger as a substitute aide.

Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to approve Colista Holsinger as a substitute aide.

Roll call:

Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

4.) Recommend to accept the approval of Courtney Bratton as a substitute aide and cook.

Mr. Warner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stroud to approve Courtney Bratton as a substitute aide and cook.

Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mr. Malone, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, abstain

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14008-22 5.) Recommend the termination of Samantha Vance, van aide.

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(Continued) Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to terminate Samantha Vance.

Roll call:

Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

6.) Recommend Adam Rockey to be paid home instruction rate (\$25/hr.) to be paid by timesheet with no more than 3 hrs./wk. of instruction to middle school student(s).

Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to recommend Adam Rockey to be paid for instructing middle school student(s).

Roll call:

Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

7.) Recommend the resignation of James O'Connor, HS Varsity Bowling Coach.

Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to accept the resignation of James O'Connor, HS Varsity Bowling Coach.

Roll call:

Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

8.) Recommend Sean Ison to be hired as the Boys Bowling Coach for the 2022-2023 school year.

Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to accept the hiring of Sean Ison as the Boys Bowling Coach for the 2022-2023 school year.

Roll call:

Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

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9.) Recommend Bobby Stroop be hired as the Freshman Boys Basketball Coach for the 2022-2023 school year.

Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to accept the hiring of Bobby Stroop, Freshman Boys Basketball Coach.

Roll call:

Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

10.) Recommend to accept the hiring of Brandon Young as substitute aide/attendant, pending background checks.

Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carraher to accept the hiring of Brandon Young.

Roll call:

Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Carraher, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

11.) Recommend to hire Gary West as a substitute bus driver pending all background checks and certifications.

Mr. Carraher made a motion, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve the hiring of Gary West as a substitute bus driver.

Roll call:

Mr. Carraher, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

14009-22
Safety/
Policy

Recommend the approval of policy numbers 1617, 2280, 2413, 2430, 2431, 3120.08, 3217, 4120, 4217, 5111, 5335, 5336, 7217, 7440.03, 7440, 8210, 8320, 8330, 8600.

Voice vote. All members voted yea. President Malone declared the motion carried.

14010-22
Facility/
Equipment

1.) Recommend the purchase of a water softener system for all three schools. (Aqua Systems) Total cost \$21,500. We obtained three quotes. This price does not include labor. Our maintenance department will work with Weller for installation.

Mr. Carraher made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stroud to approve the purchase of water softener systems for all three schools.

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14011-22 Roll call:
Facility/
Equipment Mr. Carraher, yea; Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.
(Continued) President Malone declared the motion carried.

2.) Recommend to designate SHP as our choice for design services. The Board of Education of the Lynchburg-Clay Local School District, Ohio, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 153.65 through 153.71, has solicited Statements of Qualifications for professional design services. These services include: HVAC Controls and Fire Suppression Systems Projects.

Mr. Carraher made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stroud to approve SHP as our choice for design services.

Roll call:

Mr. Carraher, yea; Mr. Stroud, yea; Mr. Warner, yea; Mrs. Blankenship, yea; Mr. Malone, yea.

President Malone declared the motion carried.

14012-22 Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Warner to move the next regular meeting to
Next November 29, 2022.
Meeting

14013-22 Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Warner to go into executive session at 9:35 pm
Executive for discussion of employment, dismissal, or discipline of an employee.
Session Voice vote. All members voted yea. President Malone declared the motion carried.

Mr. Stroud made a motion, seconded by Mr. Warner to move out of executive session at 11:13 pm with no action taken.

14014-22 Mr. Warner made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Blankenship to adjourn the meeting.
Adjourn Voice vote. All members voted yea.
Meeting President Malone declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST: _____ _____
President Treasurer