ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
July 9, 2025

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 9, 2025, at the Chauncey Office, located at 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

Vice-President Ms. Dugan 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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Present	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Present		

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

25-065. Mr. Dicken moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meetings held on June 25, 2025. Ms. Dugan 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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

25-066. Mr. Dicken moved to approve the following items. Ms. Dugan seconded the motion.

A. Accept the resignation of Lindy Douglas, submitted for purposes of initiating earned retirement benefits, effective as of the end of the work day on July 31, 2025.

B. Employ Lindy Douglas as Superintendent beginning August 5, 2025 and continuing through July 31, 2029, such employment to be in accordance with such terms and conditions as are set forth in the written contract document

presented to the Board.

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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Public Participation

None

Head Start Director's Report and Recommendations

No items for Board action at this time.

State Support Team Region 16 Director's Reports and Recommendations

No items for Board action at this time.

Executive Session

25-067. Mr. Koehler moved to enter into executive session for the Consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion demotion, or compensation of a public employee, official, or student at 6:04 P.M.

Mr. Dicken 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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Executive session was exited at 7:00 P.M.

Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations

25-068. Mr. Davenport moved to approve the following Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Kevin Simons, Treasurer:

A. Approval of bills paid in June 2025.

B. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports for June 2025.

C. Approve the disposal of Martin Yale 1501 Paper Folder (Inventory #01086)

Mr. Dicken 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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Abent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations

25-069. Mr. Koehler moved to approve items the following Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Lindy Douglas, Superintendent:

A. Allow the following employees to carry over the number of vacation days as specified below to the 25/26 SY:

1. Helen Douglas, Admin. Exec. Asst. up to 6 days
2. Lindy Douglas, Superintendent up to 10 days

B. Approve April Burnem as a AMESC Substitute Secretary, on an as needed basis at the Chauncey location, for the month of July 2025, at the rate of $17.40 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

C. Approve a Two Year Contract (2025 through 2027) to Lindsey Humphrey, Itinerant Preschool Teacher, 9 Months (182 days), at the rate of $48,867.59, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need. In subsequent years of contract, any and all salary increases will be presented to the Board for approval.

Athens City

D. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Jayde Shank, Speech Language Pathologist, effective August 13, 2025, up to fifteen hours per week, at the rate of $68.34 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

E. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Haida Coen, 1:1 Paraprofessional at Beacon School serving an Athens City student, 9 Months (187 days), at the rate of $20.79 per hour (pending forthcoming verification), with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Carleton

F. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Sandra Southern, Intervention Specialist at Carleton School, 9 Months (182 days), at the rate of $59,099.92, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Federal Hocking

G. Approve a Service Contract to Kara Bolin, as the Curriculum Director for the time period of July 8, 2025 through July 1, 2026, at the rate of $400.00 per day, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Head Start

H. Accept the resignation of April Burnem, Teacher Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Academy for the 25/26 program year, with her last day of employment with Head Start being June 30, 2025.

Southern

I. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Amanda King, 1:1 Paraprofessional, 9 Months (182 days), at the rate of $15.99 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Trimble

J. Approve a Service Contract to Rebecca Trace as the Structured Literacy Intervention Consultant for the 2025-2026 School Year, 183 days, six hours per day, at $30.00 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Ms. Dugan 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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Legislative Report

Nothing

Tri-County Career Center Report

Nothing

Old Business

None

New Business

2025-070. Mr. Dicken made the motion to approve the following items:

A. Superintendent Lindy Douglas Salary for FY 25-26 of $100,000 and a 4-year contract.

B. Treasurer Kevin Simons Salary for FY 25-26 of $ 83,000 and a 4-year contract.

Mr. Depoy 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	Absent
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Absent
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

25-071. Time 7:20 p.m. Mr. Dicken moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Dugan seconded the motion. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned.

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President Treasurer