

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
August 13, 2025**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at the Chauncey Office, located at 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

Vice-President Ms. 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	Present
Ms. Connie Dugan	Present		

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

25-079. Mr. Dicken moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meetings held on July 23, 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	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Abstain		

Motion carried.

Public Participation

None

Head Start Director's Report and Recommendations

No items for board at this time

State Support Team Region 16 Director's Reports and Recommendations

No items for Board action at this time.

Executive Session

No executive session needed

Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations

25-080. Mr. Wood moved to approve the following Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Kevin Simons, Treasurer:

- A. Approve Bills paid in July 2025
- B. Approve Monthly Financial Reports for July 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	Yes
Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes	Mr. Mony Wood	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations

25-081. Mr. Wheeler moved to approve items the following Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Lindy Douglas, Superintendent:

(187 days), at the rate of \$19.64 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

- A. Approve the 2025-2026 Athens County Interagency Agreement Program Coordination for Transition Services, Parts C and B.
- B. Amend the One Year Contract (2025-2026) to Ashley Kolb, Classroom Paraprofessional at Beacon School, to reflect a rate of \$20.03 per hour, with all other terms and conditions remaining the same (*originally approved 7/23/25, #25-076 at the rate of \$19.64 per hour*).

- C. Amend the Beacon School position placement of Tiffany Scott, from 1:1 Paraprofessional for Athens City to Classroom Paraprofessional effective at the beginning of her 2025-2026 Contract (*originally approved 6/10/25, #25-057*).
- D. Approve a position transfer to Lindsey Humphrey from Itinerant Preschool Teacher to Assistant Early Childhood Coordinator, 10 Months (202 days), at the rate of \$49,466.25 effective at the beginning of her 2025-2026 Contract with all other terms and conditions remaining the same (*originally approved 7/9/25, #25-069, for 9 Months at rate of \$48,867.59*).

Athens City

- E. Rescind the One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Jayde Shank, Speech Language Pathologist.

Head Start

- F. Approve the Agreement between the AMESC - HVHS and the Board of Education of Gallia County Local School District for preschool services through June 30, 2026.
- G. Approve the Mental Health Contract with Hopewell Health Center for the 25/26 Program Year.
- H. Approve a position transfer to Kelly McCoy from Early Head Start Teacher Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Academy with no benefits, to Gallia County Floating Teacher Assistant, 190 day contract effective August 13, 2025, at the rate of \$14.33 per hour, with Board approved benefits, with other terms and conditions remaining the same.
- I. Approve a position location transfer to Noelle Hunt from Teacher Assistant at Green Elementary to Teacher Assistant at Rio Grande Elementary, effective August 12, 2025, with other terms and conditions remaining the same.
- J. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Karenda Vance, Teacher Assistant at Green Elementary, 190 days, effective August 12, 2025, at the rate of \$14.33 per hour, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- K. Accept the resignation of Kathryn Roberts, Teacher Assistant at Green Elementary, effective immediately.

Meigs

- L. Accept the resignation of Hayden Plummer, Alternative School Instructor, effective at the end of his 2024-2025 Contract.

Nelsonville-York

- M. Accept the resignation of Jessica Cotterill, 1:1 Paraprofessional serving a Nelsonville-York student at Beacon School, effective at the end of her 2024-2025 Contract.

Southern

- N. Approve the revised Student Wellness and Success Plan FY26 and the Disadvantaged Pupil Impact AID Plan FY26.

SST16

- O. Amend the One Year At-Will Contract (2025 through 2026) to Nancy Ruth, Consultant, to reflect up to 54 days (*originally approved 5/28/25, #25-049, for up to 50 days*).
- P. Request permission to allow Lisa Arthur, Consultant, to transfer a maximum of 170 sick days to the AMESC.

Trimble

- Q. Amend the Contract to Rebecca Trace, Structured Literacy Intervention Consultant, from a Service Contract to a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026), with all other terms and conditions remaining the same (*originally approved 7/9/25, #25-069*).
- R. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Andrea Bobo, Special Education Director, 10 Months (200 days), effective August 4, 2025, at the rate of \$100,000.00, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Addendum

- S. Approve the Initial Substitute Teacher and Substitute Aide Lists for Athens and Meigs County.
- T. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Diana Swanson, Preschool Paraprofessional, 9 Months (148 days), being placed on the appropriate step of the salary schedule based on forthcoming verification of experience, no benefits, contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

- U. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Celeste Magoolaghan, Classroom Paraprofessional at Beacon School, 9 Months (187 days), at the rate of \$19.64 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- V. Amend the One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Julie Beaudry, REACH Tutor, to reflect up to 20 hours per week, at the rate of \$25.00 per hour, with all other terms and conditions remaining the same (*originally approved 6/10/25, #25-057 as being up to 25 hours per week at \$23.00 per hour*).

Carleton

- W. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Erica Wray, Intervention Specialist at Carleton School, 9 Months (182 days), at the rate of \$36,414.00, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- X. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Abigail Carter, Preschool 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.

Carleton School / Athens City

- Y. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Cheryl Huebner, Principal for Carleton School at the rate of \$75,000.00, with Board approved benefits. Ms. Huebner will also be a Special Education Assistant for the Athens City School District at the rate of \$20,000.00. Combined positions will be for 11 Months, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Head Start

- Z. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Morgan Wilson, Teacher Assistant at Meigs Early Learning Center, 190 days, effective August 18, 2025, at the rate of \$14.84 per hour, with board approved benefits, being contingent upon the receipt of a satisfactory 1177 form, proper certification, continued funding and need.

Meigs

- AA. Approve the Purchased Services / 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 July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

BB. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Richard (Clinton) Patterson, Alternative School Instructor, 9 Months (182 days), at the rate of \$37,797.73, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Southern

CC. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Rachel Cowdery, paraprofessional, 9 Months (182 days), at the rate of \$14.30 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon satisfactory background check results, proper certification, continued funding and need.

Trimble

DD. Approve the Structured Literacy Intervention Consultant Job Description.

EE. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Isabelle Jones, Preschool Paraprofessional, 9 Months, at the rate of \$17.96 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

FF. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Matthew Sutton, Preschool Teacher, 9 Months, at the rate of \$48,758.35, with Board approved benefits, 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	Yes
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Legislative Report

Committee to restructure property taxes, tax levy's and emergency levy's

Tri-County Career Center Report

Nothing

Old Business

None

New Business

2025-082. Mr. Koehler made the motion to approve the following items:

- A. Approve the daily rate for Interim Superintendent services at \$480.00 per day.

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

Motion carried.

25-083. Time 7:00 p.m. Mr. Dicken moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Koehler seconded the motion. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned.

President

Treasurer