

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
August 27, 2025**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 27, 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	Late
Ms. Connie Dugan	Present		

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

25-084. Mr. Depoy moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meetings held on August 13, 2025. 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	Late, No vote
Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes		

Motion carried.

Public Participation

None

Head Start Director's Report and Recommendations

25-085. Mr. Koehler moved to approve the June 2025 Head Start Directors Report and Recommendations, seconded by Mr. Davenport.

- A. Approve out of state travel for three Head Start staff members to attend the NHSA Fall Leadership Institute in Washington, DC, September 15-18, 2025.
- B. Approve Monthly Financial Reports.

Head Start Director reported that they will be going through a federal review this year. Head Start is fully staffed.

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	Late
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 needed

Treasurer’s Reports and Recommendations

25-086. Mr. Depoy moved to approve the following Treasurer’s Reports and Recommendations as presented by Kevin Simons, Treasurer:

- A. Approve the daily rate for Interim Treasurer services at \$350.00 per day.
- B. Approve the hourly rate for Interim Account Payable Clerk services at \$40.00 per hour.
- C. Approve the hourly rate for Interim Payroll Clerk services at \$40.00 per hour.

Ms. Dugan seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
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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

25-087. Mr. Wood moved to approve items the following Superintendent’s Reports and Recommendations as presented by Lindy Douglas, Superintendent:

- A. Approve a Two Year Contract (2025 through 2027) to Karen Smith, Parent Mentor, 9 Months, 25 hours per week, at the rate of \$17.34 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- B. Accept the resignation of Charity Workman, Classroom Paraprofessional at Beacon School, effective at the end of her 2024-2025 contract.
- C. Accept the resignation of Danielle Adelsberger, Classroom Paraprofessional at Beacon School, effective at the end of her 2024-2025 contract.
- D. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Emily Goen, Classroom Paraprofessional at Beacon School, 9 Months (187 days prorated), effective August 22, 2025, at the rate of \$19.64 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

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- E. Amend the Two Year Contract (2025 through 2027) to Anna Matwijec from a 1:1 Paraprofessional at Beacon School serving an Athens City student, no benefits, to 1:1 Paraprofessional serving a Nelsonville-York student, with Board approved benefits, with all other terms and conditions remaining the same.

Head Start

- F. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Cora Campbell, Early Head Start Teacher Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Academy, 257 days (prorated), at the rate of \$14.33 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon the receipt of a satisfactory 1177 form, proper certification, continued funding and need

- G. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Angelica Henry, Teacher Assistant at Green Elementary, 190 days (prorated), at the rate of \$14.33 per hour, with board approved benefits, being contingent upon the receipt of a satisfactory 1177 form, proper certification, continued funding and need

Nelsonville-York

- H. Approve a salary increase to Jennifer L’Heurex, Coordinator of College and Career Readiness for the Nelsonville-York and Tri-County Career Center students, Year 2 of 2 (2024-2026), at the rate of \$57,000.00, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Southern

- I. Approve a One Year Contract (2025 through 2026) to Emily Babbitt, 1:1 Paraprofessional, 9 Months (182 days), at the rate of \$14.30 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Addendum

- J. Approve one year contract with Ohio University for delivery system from Ohio’s statewide school improvement and educational reform efforts.

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.

Legislative Report

Legislation is out on recess until mid-September

Tri-County Career Center Report

643 students enrolled. This may be a record number for enrollment at Tri-County

Old Business

None

New Business

None

25-088. Time 6:55 p.m. Ms. Thompson moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Dugan seconded the motion. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned.

President

Treasurer