

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 10, 2025**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 10, 2025, at the Chauncey Office, located at 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

Mr. Wheeler called the meeting to order at 6:32 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	Absent
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 Absent

**25-114.** Mr. Depoy moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meetings held on November 12, 2025, and the Special Governing Board Meeting held on November 25, 2025. Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Absent
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.

**Public Participation**

None

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

**25-115.** Mr. Depoy moved to approve the November 2025 Head Start Directors Report and Recommendations, seconded by Ms. Wheeler.

A. Approve Monthly Financial Reports.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Absent
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.

**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**

**25-116.** Mr. Depoy moved to approve the following items listed under the Treasurer's Report and Recommendations, seconded by Mr. Davenport.

- A. Approve Monthly Financial Reports for November 2025.
- B. Approve bills paid in November 2025.
- C. Accepting a donation of \$ 2,200.00 from the Pomeroy Auxiliary to purchase coats for preschool children in need.
- D. Approve the disposal of a Preschool Lenovo ThinkPad, Inventory Number 00586.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Absent
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

**25-117.** Mr. Bailey moved to approve items the following Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Lindy Douglas, Superintendent:

- A. Approve the December 2025 updates to the Substitute Teacher and Substitute Aide lists for Athens and Meigs Counties
- B. Approve the Joint Agreements appointing the Business Advisory Council (BAC) of the AMESC to serve as the BAC for the following:
  - 1. Eastern Local School District
  - 2. Meigs Local School District
  - 3. Southern Local School District
- C. Approve a One-Year Contract (2026 through 2026) to Lilli Belle McBride, Classroom Paraprofessional at Beacon School, 9 Months (187 days prorated), effective November 20, 2025, at the rate of \$19.64 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- D. Amend Motion 8-D-2 of the November 12, 2025 Board Agenda to state Jennifer Brown, Occupational Therapist, receiving seven additional hours per week, with Board approved benefits, at her current rate of pay, to cover an employee's medical leave, during the anticipated time period of January 5, 2026 through March 31, 2026 (*the original motion approved 11/12/25, #25-108, 8-D-2, erroneously stating Kristi Weber as the employee*).
- E. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Athens-Meigs ESC and Ohio University for the STEM room, with the MOU being effective December 1, 2025 through August 25, 2026.

Mr. Davenport seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Absent
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**

Nothing

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

Nothing

## **Old Business**

**25-118.** Mr. Wheeler moved to approve items the following Old Business and New Business.

1. Approve the disposal of the following Head Start items:

### Item Inventory Number

1. Dell Laptop 00449
  2. Lenovo ThinkPad 03081
  3. iPad 00447
  4. iPad 00441
  5. Dell Laptop 00239
  6. Lenovo ThinkPad 03090
  7. Toshiba Laptop 00436
  8. Dell Laptop 00351
  9. ThinkPad 03082
  10. Lenovo 03088
  11. Equipment Culinary Related 105655
  12. Toshiba Copier 105666
  13. Student Chairs 105672
  14. PVC Chair 105718
  15. Equipment Related Apparatus 105723
  16. Playground Equipment 105750
  17. Chain Link Fence 105751
  18. Chain Link Fence 105752
  19. Sandbox Kit With Cover N/A15
2. Approve the Amendment To Superintendent's Contract for interim Superintendent, consulting, and coaching services.

**New Business**

1. Board President appointed Ms. Dugan President Pro-Tem for the January 2026 Organizational Meeting.
2. Set the Board Member and Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center Staff mileage rate at the maximum allowable by law for the 2026 calendar year

Mr. Wheeler made the motion, seconded by Mr. Depoy.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Absent
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.

The Organizational and next regular Athens-Meigs ESC Governing Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, 6:00 p.m., at the Athens-Meigs ESC, 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

**25-119. Time 7:08 p.m.** Mr. Depoy moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Dugan seconded the motion. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned.

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President

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Treasurer