

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 24, 2026**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, June 24, 2026, at the Chauncey Office, located at 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

Ms. Dugan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A moment of silent reflection was held, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Fred Davis	Yes
Mr. Kevin Dugan	Yes	Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes	Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes
Mr. Mony Wood	Yes		

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

26-065. Mr. Dicken moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting held on June 10, 2026. Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Fred Davis	Yes
Mr. Kevin Dugan	Yes	Ms. Connie Dugan	Abstain
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes	Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes
Mr. Mony Wood	Yes		

Motion carried.

Public Participation

None

Head Start Director's Report and Recommendations

26-066. Ms. Wheeler moved to approve the following items under the Head Start Report and Recommendations. Mr. Dugan seconded the motion.

A. Approve the May 2026 Financial Statements

B. Approve the Runyon Lock Services, LLC quote in the amount of \$ 7,158.50.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Fred Davis	Yes
Mr. Kevin Dugan	Yes	Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes	Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes
Mr. Mony Wood	Yes		

Motion carried.

State Support Team Region 16 Director's Reports and Recommendations

Nothing for the board at this time.

Executive Session

26-067 Mr. Wood moved to enter into executive session for Consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, official, or student. Mr. Dicken seconded the motion.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Fred Davis	Yes
Mr. Kevin Dugan	Yes	Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes	Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes
Mr. Mony Wood	Yes		

Motion carried

Executive session was entered at 6:20 p.m.

Executive session exited at 6:43 p.m.

Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations

26-068 Mr. Wood made the motion to approve the following items listed under the Treasurer's Report and Recommendation. Mr. Koehler seconded the motion.

- A. Approval of a longevity bonus to SST Staff of 3.25% of their annual salary for FY26.
- B. Approval of FY26 Final Appropriations
- C. Approve the Attendance Officer Salary Schedule for FY27.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Fred Davis	Yes
Mr. Kevin Dugan	Yes	Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes	Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes
Mr. Mony Wood	Yes		

Motion carried

Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations

2026-069 Mr. Koehler moved to approve the following Reduction in Force. Mr. Dugan seconded the motion.

A.

RESOLUTION REGARDING REDUCTION IN FORCE FOR ATHENS-MEIGS ESC STAFF

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3319.17 the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center Governing Board has determined that it needs to reduce its non-teaching staff due to discontinuation of services needed. The reduction in staff will include the following:

1. Abolishment of one (1) Paraprofessional position at Southern Lcoal.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Fred Davis	Yes
Mr. Kevin Dugan	Yes	Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes	Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes
Mr. Mony Wood	Yes		

Motion carried

2026-070 Mr. Dicken moved to approve the following items under the Superintendent Report and Recommendations. Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

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- B. Approve a One Year Contract (2026 through 2027) to Kayla Pearson, Preschool Teacher, nine months, at the appropriate step of the Teacher Salary Schedule, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Head Start

- C. Approve Dawn Hall, Director, to carry over five vacation days to the 26/27 SY.
- D. Accept the resignation of Kimberly Swart, Education Coordinator, effective at the end of her current contract.
- E. Rescind the Two Year Contract (2026 through 2028) to Kimberly Swart, Education Coordinator (originally approved 6/10/26, #26-060).

Head Start (Addendum)

- I. Approve additional hours to the individuals listed below for the time period of July 1 - July 15, 2026, at their appropriate rate of pay, to help with staff coverage. All other terms and conditions of contracts remain the same.
 - 1. Alexis McCarty, Early HS Teacher Assistant
 - 2. Kelly McCoy, Floating Teacher Assistant
 - 3. Hayden Pemberton, Early HS Teacher Assistant
- J. Accept the resignation of Hayden Pemberton, Early HS Teacher Assistant at LSELA, effective July 25, 2026.

State Support Team

- F. Approve a One Year At-Will Contract (2026-2027) to Jill Sheridan, Universal Consultant, up to 100 days, at the rate of \$420.00 per day, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- G. Approve a Two Year Contract (2026-2028) to Kasey Harris, Consultant, 10 Months (202 days), at the rate of \$71,760.50, 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.

H. Approve a salary increase to the following individuals, for the Contract Year and specified rate of pay as shown below, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need:

1. Lisa Arthur, Consultant Year 2 of 3 (25-28) 12 Months (260 days) Rate of pay: \$93,750.48
2. Julie Bays, Director Year 2 of 3 (25-28) 12 Months (260 days) Rate of pay: \$107,143.40
3. Elnora Chaney, Consultant Year 2 of 2 (25-27) 12 Months (260 days) Rate of pay: \$105,609.22
4. Jenny Lang, Consultant Year 2 of 3 (25-28) 10 Months (202 days) Rate of pay: \$73,929.46
5. Sandra Perry, Consultant Year 2 of 2 (25-27) 12 Months (260 days) Rate of pay: \$100,995.89
6. Kate Silver, Consultant Year 2 of 3 (25-28) 12 Months (260 days) Rate of pay: \$93,750.48
7. Jennifer Spero, Consultant Year 2 of 2 (25-27) 12 Months (260 days) Rate of pay: \$93,750.48
8. Kayla Simons, Support Staff Year 2 of 2 (25-27) 12 Months (260 days) Rate of pay: \$25.00 per hr.

K. Approve Sandra Perr, Consultant, to carry over up to seven vacation days to the 26/27 SY.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Fred Davis	Yes
Mr. Kevin Dugan	Yes	Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes	Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes
Mr. Mony Wood	Yes		

Motion carried

Legislative Report

One billion dollars in Vouchers for SY25-26, up from 600k the previous year.

SB19, SB326, HB191, HB145, HB355, SB276

Tri-County Career Center Report

Tri-County contract for teachers passed.

New Treasurer official start date is July 1st.

Old Business

None

New Business

26-071 Mr. Koehler made the motion for the following salary and stipends for the Superintendent and Treasurer. Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

Superintendent and Treasurer will receive a 3% raise starting on August 1st, 2026. Also, the stipend for Tutor Kids Ohio will continue until the funds run out.

Roll call:

Mr. John G Bailey	Yes	Mr. Fred Davis	Yes
Mr. Kevin Dugan	Yes	Ms. Connie Dugan	Yes
Mr. Mick Davenport	Yes	Mr. Jeff Koehler	Yes
Mr. Steve Wheeler	Yes	Mr. Gary Dicken	Yes
Mr. Mony Wood	Yes		

Motion carried.

The next regular Athens-Meigs ESC Governing Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, July 8th, 2026, 6:00 p.m., at the Athens-Meigs ESC, 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

26-072. Time 7:11 p.m. Mr. Dicken moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wood seconded the motion. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned.

President

Treasurer