

LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 13, 2006
7:00 P.M.

The Little Miami Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District, Warren County, Ohio met in Regular Session on February 13, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Little Miami High School Media Center, 3001 U.S. 22 & 3, Morrow, Ohio.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Mrs. Cress called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Cress	Present
Mr. Cremeans	Present
Ms. Grice	Present
Mr. Stern	Present
Mrs. Hamburg	Present

Resolution 06-024 Adopt the Agenda as Amended

Ms. Grice moved and Mr. Stern seconded a motion to adopt the agenda as amended.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Stern	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-025 Reading of Minutes

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Ms. Grice seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2006 regular session.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Stern	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes

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There will be a meeting at the Warren County Career Center on April 16, 2006 with Dr. Tave-Zellman.

Mrs. Sherry Peters reviewed Morrow Elementary School's Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) goals, measurements and results and spoke about mathematics, intervention teams and technology issues in regards to Morrow Elementary.

Ms. Mary Seibert shared information about the Read 180 Program, alternate assessment training and implications of Federal law changes.

Community Comments were given by: Mr. Bill Brausch, Ms. Cheryl Giese, Mr. Paul Ascorn, Mr. Dwight Packard, Mrs. Julie Perelman, Mrs. Liz Gloshen, Mr. John Hise and Mr. Clyde Baston.

Resolution 06-026 Financial Reports

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Mr. Cremeans seconded a motion to approve the financial reports for January 2006.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Stern	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-027 Retain Peck, Shaffer and Williams as Bond Attorneys for the May 2, 2006 Bond Issue

Ms. Grice moved and Mrs. Cress seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, this Board of Education wishes to submit the question of issuing bonds to the electors of this school district and in connection therewith will require the services of bond attorneys.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District (hereinafter called the "Board of Education"), Counties of Warren and Clermont, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Peck, Shaffer & Williams LLP, attorneys of Cincinnati and Columbus, Ohio, be and are hereby retained to prepare proceedings for placing the issue of issuing bonds before the voters of the School District, to prepare proceedings for the sale of bonds and any bond anticipation notes and to render approving legal opinions thereon. The Treasurer of this Board of Education is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an engagement letter with such firm for provision of such legal services.

SECTION 2. That said firm of attorneys shall be compensated by this Board of Education for its services in accordance with the following schedule:

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- 1) The fee for preparing the proceedings necessary for submitting the issue to the electors shall be \$500.00, plus expenses actually incurred, such fee to be payable upon the completion of the pre-election proceedings.
- 2) If the Board of Education determines to issue notes in anticipation of the issuance of bonds, the fee for preparing and approving the proceedings for issuing notes shall be at the rate of not to exceed \$1.35 per \$1,000 of principal amount of the note issue and for renewal issues of notes, plus expenses actually incurred.
- 3) If the Board of Education determines to issue bonds, the fee for preparing the proceedings for issuing bonds shall be at the rate of not to exceed \$3.00 per \$1,000 of principal amount of said bond issue, \$5,500 for preparation of a preliminary and final official statement, plus expenses actually incurred.

SECTION 3. THAT THIS Board of Education hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board of Education; and that all deliberations of this Board of Education and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Stern	No
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-028 Determining to Proceed with Bond Issue

Mrs. Cress moved and Mr. Cremeans seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, this Board of Education by resolution duly adopted determined the necessity of issuing bonds in the amount of \$62,500,000 for the purpose of new construction, improvements, renovations and additions to school facilities, the acquisition of real property, providing equipment, furnishings, transportation equipment, communication technology improvements and site improvements therefore, and the necessity of levying an annual direct tax on all the taxable property in this school district, outside of the ten-mill limitation to pay the interest on and to retire said bonds and provided that the question of issuing said bonds and of levying said direct tax shall be submitted to the electors of said school district at the election to be held on the 2nd day of May, 2006; and

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WHEREAS, the Treasurer of this Board of Education has certified that the maximum maturity of said bonds is twenty-eight (28) years; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor has certified that the estimated average annual levy throughout the life of said bonds which will be required to pay the interest on and retire said bonds is six and fifteen hundredths (6.15) mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to sixty-one and five-tenths cents (\$0.615) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District (hereinafter called the "Board of Education"), Counties of Warren and Clermont, Ohio:

SECTION 1: That it is hereby determined to proceed with the issuance of bonds of this Board of Education in the amount of \$62,500,000 for the purpose stated in the Preambles hereof, and to levy an annual direct tax on all the taxable property in said school district outside of the limitation imposed by Section 2 of Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio and that the question of issuing said bonds and of levying said direct tax shall be submitted to the electors of said school district at the election to be held on the 2nd day of May, 2006.

SECTION 2: That the Treasurer of this Board of Education be and is hereby directed to certify to the Board of Elections a true and correct copy of the resolution of this Board of Education determining the necessity of said bonds, said direct tax and said election and a true and correct copy of this resolution, together with the amount of the average tax levy expressed in dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, as well as in mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, estimated by the County Auditor, and the maximum number of years required to retire said bonds and to notify said Board of Elections to cause notice of such election to be given as required by law.

SECTION 3. That the form of ballot upon which the question of issuing said bonds as of levying said direct tax shall be submitted to the electors in substantially the form as follows:

PROPOSED BOND ISSUE

Majority Affirmative Vote is
Necessary for Passage

Shall bonds be issued by the Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District, Counties of Warren and Clermont, Ohio, for the purpose of NEW CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENTS, RENOVATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO SCHOOL FACILITIES, THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY, PROVIDING EQUIPMENT, FURNISHINGS, TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT, COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT AND SITE

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IMPROVEMENTS THEREFORE, in the principal amount of Sixty-Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$62,500,000) to be repaid annually over a maximum of twenty-eight (28) years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the ten-mill limitation, estimated by the County Auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond issue six and fifteen-hundredths (6.15) mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to sixty-one and five tenths cents (\$0.615) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of tax valuation, commencing in 2006, first due in calendar year 2007 to pay the annual debt charge on the bonds, and to pay debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds.

	FOR THE BOND ISSUE
	AGAINST THE BOND ISSUES

SECTION 4. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of Education concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of Education; and that all deliberations of this Board of Education and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Stern	No

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-029 Personnel

Ms. Grice moved and Mr. Cremeans seconded a motion to approve the following personnel issues as submitted for the 2005-2006 school year. Employment is contingent upon the school system receiving the results of the mandated criminal records background check as required by O.R.C. 3319.311 which indicates that no conviction or pleas of guilty were entered into by any persons being employed:

Certified Personnel – Substitute Teachers

Chris Fortin	Tracey Parrott	Alison Schreck	Svetlana Reed
Laura Eckstein	Alan Hazelbaker		

Jennifer Jackson (long-term sub for Christi McEntire leave of absence)

Certified Personnel – Leave of Absence

Christi McEntire—request for a 12 week family medical leave of absence for maternity purposes effective as of February 21, 2006.

Amend Resolution 05-132

Amend resolution 05-132 to employ John Baughman, Marci Goodrich, Stephanie Jauch and John Demic on supplemental contracts as advisors to the Intermediate School Spring Musical and the salary to be split four ways.

Volunteers

Don Cleaver—Volunteer High School Baseball Coach

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MOTION CARRIED.

Ms. Bobbie Grice introduced Mr. Tom Brinkman, Information Technology Teacher, for Little Miami Local School District. Mr. Brinkman shared with the Board of Education that two of his students, Adam Shearer and Katherine Bovee, both passed a CISCO exam. Ms. Grice also reported on the Power of the Pen competition held at Little Miami Junior High School in February.

Several community members spoke.

Adjournment

Ms. Grice moved and Mrs. Hamburg seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Stern	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

The Board Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Nona Cress, President

Robert Giuffré, Treasurer