

LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 30, 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 March 30, 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 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

Resolution 06-031 Adopt the Agenda

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Ms. Grice 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 06-032 Reading of Minutes

Ms. Grice moved and Mr. Cremeans seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2006 regular session and the March 14, 2006 special session.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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Mr. Brian Bailey, Junior High Principal, spoke on the Continuous Improvement Plan initiatives and programs being held at the Junior High to complement these initiatives. Mrs. Lisa Knodel, Community Relations Coordinator, presented a communications packet regarding the directives of the Board of Education and the procedures of how a Board of Education meeting is conducted.

Resolution 06-033 Executive Session

Ms. Grice moved and Mr. Stern seconded a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

The Board entered executive session at 7:22 p.m.

The Board came out of executive session at 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Giuffré spoke regarding audited financial reports.

Resolution 06-034 Financial Reports

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-035 Fund to Fund Advances/Transfers

Ms. Grice moved and Mrs. Hamburg seconded a motion to adjust the following funds:

Advance \$5,000.00 from General Fund (001) to the District Agency Fund (022).
Transfer \$25,000.00 from General Fund (001) to the EMIS Fund (432).

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes

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Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Stern	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-036 Appropriations

Mr. Cremeans moved and Mrs. Cress seconded a motion to approve the following adjustments to the appropriations:

Increase the General Fund (001) appropriations	\$210,000.00
Decrease Title II-D 599-9006	\$73.33
Decrease Title I 572-9006	\$4,772.27
Decrease Title II-A 590-9006	\$1,577.02

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-037 Intent to Convert Inside Mills to Permanent Improvement and Schedule Public Hearing

Ms. Grice moved and Mr. Cremeans seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Little Miami Local School District (the "District") is at the 20 mill floor for current expense effective millage rate for real property taxation; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Education desires to convert three (3) mills now being levied for current expense effective millage rate for real property taxation; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Education intends to provide for a public hearing as required by Section 5705.314, before adopting such proposal.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District:

SECTION 1: That this Board of Education intends to convert three (3) mills now being levied for current expenses to three (3) mills to be levied for permanent improvements.

SECTION 2: That pursuant to Section 5705.314 of the Ohio Revised Code the Board of Education will hold a hearing on April 18, 2006, solely on this proposal before

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adopting a resolution to implement the proposal. The Board of Education shall publish notice of the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the District once a week for two consecutive weeks. The second publication shall be not less than ten (10) nor more than thirty (30) days before the date of the hearing. The notice shall include the date, time, place, subject of the hearing and a statement that the change proposed by the Board of Education may result in an increase in the amount of real property taxes levied by the Board of Education.

SECTION 3: That at the time the Board of Education submits the notice for publication; the Board of Education shall send copy of the notice to the Warren County Auditor.

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 of 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, and the rules of this Board of Education adopted in accordance therewith.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-038 Authorization to Bid Network Electronic Equipment

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Mr. Cremeans seconded a motion to authorize advertising for bids on network electronic equipment to activate the District's fiber optic cable.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

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Resolution 06-039 Authorization to Bid Land Lease

Ms. Grice moved and Mr. Stern seconded a motion to authorize advertising for bids to enter into a one-year contract to lease the property at Ford and Zoar Roads for the production of corn, soybean, oat, wheat or hay crops for a minimum price of one hundred dollars (\$100) per acre and accept the most competitive bid or reject all bids.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-040 Personnel

Mr. Cremeans moved and Ms. Grice seconded a motion to approve the following personnel issues 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

Rachel Shaw	Michelle Arvin	Jessica Mease	Pauline James
Pat Whitaker	Lori Abbott	Kaukeb Malik	

Certified Personnel - Employment

Cheri Burket – temporary long-term substitute nurse effective 03/27/2006 at step B-0 pending certification from the Ohio Department of Education.

Certified Personnel – Leave of Absence

Jennifer Lyke – requests a medical leave of absence for 4-6 weeks effective 03/27/2006.
Jaime Lenhart – requests an additional four (4) weeks of unpaid family medical leave.
Melissa Wolf – requests maternity leave of absence effective approximately 04/07/2006.

Certified Personnel – Resignations/Retirements

Sherry Peters – letter of resignation effective 07/01/2006.
Deborah Meyers – for retirement purposes effective 05/31/2006.
Genevieve Leeseemann – for retirement purposes effective 05/31/2006.
Jennifer Ervin – leave of absence 2005-06-not returning for the 2006-07 school year.
Erin Small – leave of absence 2005-06-not returning for the 2006-07 school year.
Kerry Leedy – leave of absence 2005-06-not returning for the 2006-07 school year.

Continuing Contracts

It has been determined that the following certified staff members are not eligible for a continuing contract:

Mark Hiegl	Lisa Hoening	Robyn Holloway	Tabitha Smith
Beth Ray	Jaime Lenhart	Lindsey Riffle	

It has been determined that the following certified staff members are eligible for a continuing contract and the superintendent recommends that effective for the 2006-2007 school year they be awarded a continuing contract:

Sarah Baker	Jennifer Cook	Dale Grooms	Scott Herman
Justine Randolph	Marci Goodrich	Kim Hamlin	Julie Phelps-Bradbury
Jennifer Taylor	Jason Whitaker	Steve Goodstein	Sue Wright
Rayna Cressell	Korrie Skibinski	Seneca Taylor	

The following certified staff members are not being recommended for a continuing contract:

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Raymond Allen

Lynn Hastings

Classified Personnel – Resignations/Retirements

Margaret Brown – Teacher’s Aide at Maineville Elementary effective 02/15/2006.

Norm Runyan – Substitute Bus Driver effective 03/01/2006.

Wanda Smith – Morrow Elementary cook-for retirement purposes effective 05/31/2006.

Classified Personnel – Employment of Substitutes

Jack Kesselring – substitute bus driver

Mashell Laymon – substitute secretary, teacher’s aide

Kristi Cummins – substitute secretary, teacher’s aide

Sandra Allen – substitute cook

Christina Barnett – substitute teacher’s aide

Shirley Patterson – substitute cook

Mike Gaines – substitute bus driver

Classified Personnel - Employment

Sam Taylor – bus driver for route #49 effective 02/23/2006.

Joanie Holbein – temporary part-time kindergarten aide at Morrow Elementary effective 03/13/2006.

Amy Reliford – temporary nurse aide effective 03/27/2006 7 hours/day \$10.68/hour Step: 0

Classified Personnel – Change in Assignment

Wilma Burroughs – transferred to 2nd shift custodian at Junior High School effective 03/06/2006.

Tammy Thompson – additional 3.5 hours/temporary special education aide effective 02/08/2006.

Linda Adams – special education aide transferred to 2nd shift custodian at the Junior High/Intermediate School Complex Step: 3

James Combs – 2nd shift custodian at Junior High School transferred to 3rd shift custodian at the Junior High/Intermediate School complex.

Classified Personnel – Leave of Absence

Mary Ann Lape – requests sick leave from April 10, 2006 through June 5, 2006.

Supplemental Contracts - Employment

All available supplemental contract positions have been offered and advertised and that no qualified licensed individual has accepted the position or that a person holding a license is not qualified to serve in the designated position and the position may be offered to a non-licensed person.

Mark Short – Junior High Boys Track Coach

Erin Lynch – Junior High Assistant Boys Track Coach

Erin Dipzinski – Junior High Girls Track Coach

Tonya Back – Junior High Assistant Girls Track Coach

Chris Lynch – Assistant Junior High Track Coach—Volunteer

Justine Randolph – to be employed for the second half of the 2005-2006 school year as Math Department Chair due to replacing Kris Bernath.

Supplemental Contracts – Resignations

Katy Wall – resigns as the Junior Varsity Girls Soccer Coach

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-041 Stipends to be Paid

Ms. Grice moved and Mrs. Hamburg seconded a motion to approve the following stipends:

Carrie Nahrup-\$2,000 for coordinating Ohio Reads tutoring for Butlerville Elementary School. This amount is to be paid from the Ohio Reads Grant.

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Lori Partin and Rob Hatfield-a sum of \$25.00 an hour for 110 hours each as summer school coordinators for the summer of 2006.

Summer School Staff:

\$20.00 per hour – regular rate of pay

\$22.50 per hour – for direct instruction of physical education classes of 33-38 students

\$25.00 per hour – for direct instruction of physical education classes of 39+ students

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-042 Memorandum of Understanding

Ms. Grice moved and Mrs. Cress seconded a motion to adopt the following Memorandum of Understanding with the Little Miami Teacher's Association regarding Mr. Don Muchmore:

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into by the Little Miami Board of Education (the Board) and the Little Miami Teachers' Association (the Association) for the 2006-2007 school year. It is understood that nothing in this Memorandum will be considered to set precedent in the District and that the contents of this agreement will be invalid at the end of said school year.

Due to the high number of students who are interested in the Industrial Arts Program at Little Miami High School and the willingness of the teacher, Mr. Don Muchmore, to be involved, the Board and the Association agree that Mr. Muchmore will teach an extra class everyday, giving up his planning period. In addition to his contractual salary, Mr. Muchmore will receive financial compensation equivalent to his per diem divided by six (6), which is the number of classes he will be teaching, or \$77.87 per unit (2006-2007 school year compensation), whichever is greater. If during a given trimester an additional Industrial Arts class is not scheduled, Mr. Muchmore will return to his regular teaching schedule, including his planning period. Should no extra Industrial Arts class be necessary, no additional compensation will be paid.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Stern	Yes

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Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-043 Non-Recognized Sport

Mr. Cremeans moved and Mrs. Hamburg seconded a motion to adopt Indoor Track as a non-recognized sport for the 2005-2006 school year. Melissa Beerse is eligible to participate in the State Indoor Track Meet and the Little Miami School District recognizes her personal coach, Rick Christoph, as a certified pole vault specialist.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution 06-044 2006-2007 High School Course Selection Guide

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Mr. Stern seconded a motion to approve the Little Miami High School Course Selection Guide for the 2006-2007 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

Ms. Grice commented on the Warren County Career Center:

1. There were 10 senior Fire Science/EMT Basic students who passed the Firefighter II exam and are now certified by the state of Ohio.
2. The Career Center will begin a new partnership in the fall with Otterbein-Lebanon with a program called Project SEARCH.
3. Donations were accepted from various area financial institutions for the Financial Services program and steel was donated from two companies for the welding program.

Mr. Daniel Bennett presented the proposed pay to play information.

Community Comments on Non-agenda Items

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Mr. Mark Price argued against the impact of Pay to Play being proposed for the 2006-2007 school year.

Mr. Bill Maynor compared the cost of the debt payments for homeowners from the proposed bond issue and common personal expenses.

Mr. John Hise congratulated Little Miami School District for its success in satisfying regulations of the No Child Left Behind Act.

Mrs. Linda Biddle encouraged Board Members to maintain their priorities with regards to the pay to play information.

Adjournment

Ms. Grice moved and Mr. Stern seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Nona Cress, President

Robert Giuffré, Treasurer