

LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2013
7 P.M.

The Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District, Warren County, Ohio met in regular session on Jan. 15, 2013 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of Little Miami High School, 3001 East 22 & 3, Morrow OH 45152.

A tax hearing was held prior to the regular meeting from 6:30 to 6:48 p.m.

Call to Order and Roll Call

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

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Grice	Present
Mr. Cremeans	Present
Mrs. Black	Present
Ms. Journey	Present
Mr. Haas	Present

Others in attendance were: Mr. Greg Power; Mr. Terry Gonda; Mrs. Pam Coates; Mrs. Melinda Briggs, Mrs. Regina Morgan, Mr. Gene Blake, Mrs. Pam Jones and other members of the public.

Resolution 13-012 Adopt and Amend the Agenda

Mr. Cremeans moved and Mrs. Grice seconded a motion to adopt and amend the agenda to withdraw Donna Chilcote's resignation for retirement.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mrs. Black	Yes
Ms. Journey	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 13-013 Reading of Minutes

Mr. Cremeans moved and Ms. Journey seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the Dec. 18, 2012 regular meeting and the Jan. 8, 2013 organizational meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mrs. Black	Yes

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Ms. Journeay	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Communications and/or Visitors to the Board

Mr. Power gave Board members certificates to recognize them for School Board Recognition Month.

He also told the Board that attendance at the recent Harlem Wizards basketball game was way beyond expectations and that it was a great night.

Mrs. Morgan shared an update on the English language arts curriculum pilot and supplied the Board with a quote for materials from two companies. She said the Journeys program would cost \$291,440 and the Reading Street program would cost \$299,649 for a one-year proposal.

Resolution 13-014 English Language Arts curriculum pilot and purchase

Mr. Haas moved and Mrs. Grice seconded a motion to approve the English language arts curriculum pilot and to authorize the purchase of necessary materials once a curriculum option had been chosen.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mrs. Black	Yes
Ms. Journeay	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Power said the district would be abiding by its current exchange student policy for the coming 2013-2014 school year, and would then begin to transition to an application process for foreign exchange students in the future. Mr. Power said he would like the Board to take action on limiting the number of students to five for next year.

Resolution 13-015 Exchange student limit

Mr. Cremeans moved and Mrs. Grice seconded a motion to approve a limit of five foreign exchange students per year attending Little Miami schools.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mrs. Black	Yes
Ms. Journeay	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes

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MOTION CARRIED

As an enrollment update, Mr. Power said the district currently has 3,833 regular students and 120 Warren County Career Center students enrolled with the district.

Community Comments on Agenda Items

Mrs. Pam Jones addressed the Board and suggested that the District have the application process for exchange students open in October for the next school year to allow prospective students and families to prepare.

Resolution 13-016 Tax Budget

Mr. Haas moved and Mr. Cremeans seconded a motion to approve the tax budget for fiscal year 2014 for submission to the County Budget Commission.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ms. Journeyay	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mrs. Black	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 13-017 Financial Reports

Mr. Cremeans moved and Mrs. Grice seconded a motion to approve the financial reports for December 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mrs. Black	Yes
Ms. Journeyay	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 13-018 Personnel

Ms. Journeyay moved and Mr. Haas seconded a motion to approve the following personnel issues with employment contingent upon the school system receiving the results of the mandated criminal records background check as required by the O.R.C. 3319.311 which indicates that no conviction or pleas of guilty were entered into by any persons being employed.

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT

Jody Bailey, preschool director, 55-day contract at step 3 (\$327/day), effective 1/28/2013-6/30/13

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Amber Huber, pre-K intervention specialist, HBP, maternity leave, effective approx. 4/22/2013 for 6 wks.

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CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – SUBSTITUTES

Robin High – special education aide

Kathy Meyer – special education aide

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – RE-ASSIGNMENT

Jason Taulbee, Bus Driver, sub bus driver to stand-by bus driver, \$15.82/hr, effective 12/18/12

SUPPLEMENTAL POSITIONS – EMPLOYMENT

Kasey Acton – NHS adviser

Jennifer Lyke – Junior Class adviser & Senior Class Adviser

Jane Payne – Gifted Coordinator

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mrs. Black	Yes
Ms. Journeyay	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 13-019 Little Miami High School Course Offerings, 2013-2014

Mrs. Grice moved and Ms. Journeyay seconded a motion to approve Little Miami High School Course Offerings for the 2013-2014 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mrs. Black	Yes
Ms. Journeyay	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

New Business

Mrs. Grice gave a report on the Warren County Career Center, and said the same board of officers was re-elected for the coming year. She also said that the Career Center has had success with a teacher/student mentoring program.

The next policy review subcommittee meeting will be Feb. 4, 6-9 p.m. at Little Miami Intermediate School.

Mrs. Marci Goodrich invited the Board to the high school's spring musical "Grease," to be performed on April 12-13, 2013.

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Resolution 13-020 Executive Session

Mrs. Grice moved and Mr. Haas seconded a motion to enter into executive session to consider the employment of a public employee.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Black	Yes
Ms. Journey	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

The Board entered executive session at 8:03 p.m.

Resolution 13-021 Return to Regular Session

Mr. Cremeans moved and Mrs. Black seconded a motion to return to regular session.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ms. Journey	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mrs. Black	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

The Board returned to regular session at 10:02 p.m.

Resolution 13-022 Motion to Adjourn

Mr. Haas moved and Mrs. Black seconded a motion to adjourn.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mrs. Black	Yes
Ms. Journey	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

The Board adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Stephanie Baxter Black, President

Terry Gonda, Treasurer