

LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2014
7 P.M.

The Little Miami Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District, Warren County, Ohio met in organizational session on Jan. 9, 2014 at 7 p.m. in the media center of Little Miami High School, 3001 E. U.S. 22-3, Morrow OH 45152. A tax budget hearing was held prior to the call to order at 6:45 p.m.

Oath of Office

Mr. Gonda issued the oath of office to new Board of Education member Anthony Niemesh.

Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Grice	Present
Mr. Cremeans	Present
Mr. Niemesh	Present
Mr. Haas	Present

Mrs. Journey was absent.

Others in attendance were: Greg Power; Terry Gonda; Pam Coates, Melinda Briggs, Regina Morgan, Cathy Trevathan.

Appointment of President Pro Tem

Mr. Haas made a motion to appoint Terry Gonda as president pro temp for 2014 to elect a board president. Mrs. Grice seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mr. Niemesh	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Adopt the Agenda

Mrs. Grice made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Niemesh	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Election of Board President

Mr. Cremeans made a motion to nominate Mrs. Grice for Board President. Mr. Haas seconded.

ROLL CALL for Mrs. Grice's nomination:

Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mr. Niemesh	Yes

MOTION CARRIED, Mrs. Grice is elected Board President.

Election of Board Vice President

Mr. Niemesh nominated Mr. Cremeans for Vice President. Mr. Haas seconded. There were no other nominations.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mr. Niemesh	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes

MOTION CARRIED, Mr. Cremeans is elected Vice President.

OSBA Education Legislation Liaison for 2014 Calendar Year

Mr. Cremeans moved to nominate Mr. Niemesh as OSBA Education Legislation Liaison. Mr. Haas seconded. There were no other nominations.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mr. Niemesh	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

OSBA Student Achievement Liaison for the 2014 Calendar Year

Mr. Haas moved to nominate Mrs. Journeay as OSBA Student Achievement Liaison. Mr. Cremeans seconded. There were no other nominations

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Niemesh	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Board of Education Authorization

Mr. Cremeans made a motion to authorize the Board of Education for the following. Mr. Haas seconded.

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1. Establish the Board of Education meetings on the third Tuesday of each month, with the exception of June 2013, which be held the fourth Tuesday of the month. Meetings will be in the Little Miami High School Auditorium at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.
2. Authorize attendance by the Board of Education, the Superintendent and the Treasurer at local, state and national conferences deemed appropriate as Board representatives, including the 2013 NSBA Annual Conference and 2013 OSBA Capital Conference.
3. Authorize joining the Ohio School Boards Association with membership dues and approval of subscriptions and participation in the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mr. Niemesh	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Authorization

Mr. Haas made and Mr. Niemesh seconded a motion to authorize the Treasurer for the following:

1. Authorize the Treasurer to invest funds according to Board policy and the Ohio Revised Code.
2. Authorize the Treasurer to request tax advances from the County Auditors.
3. Authorize the Treasurer to adjust appropriations by transfer among fund functions as stipulated in Board policy.
4. Authorize the Treasurer to pay all bills in accordance with appropriations.
5. Authorize the Treasurer to sign all checks.
6. Establish reimbursement rate for district employee travel at the rate allowed by the Internal Revenue Service for the current calendar year.
7. Approve Lebanon Citizens National Bank, First National Bank of Warren County, Fifth Third Bank, STAR Ohio as depositories of public funds of the Little Miami Local School District.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mr. Niemesh	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Superintendent Authorization

Mr. Cremeans made and Mr. Haas seconded a motion to authorize the Superintendent for the following:

1. Appoint the Superintendent as purchasing agent for the district and authorize him to sign contracts on behalf of the Board President along with the treasurer for contracts not to exceed \$25,000.
2. Approve student activity purpose/policy statements for the 2013-2014 school year.
3. Authorize the Superintendent to participate in all federal/state programs of value to the district.
4. Authorize the Superintendent to employ temporary personnel, appoint negotiations personnel, enter into contractual agreements for services needed in emergency situations,

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approve applications for professional meetings that conform to Board of Education established policies and appropriations.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mr. Niemesh	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of the Tax Budget commencing July 1, 2014

Mr. Haas made a motion to approve the tax budget to commence on July 1, 2014. Mr. Niemesh seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Niemesh	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Appointment of Sick Leave Bank representative

Mr. Haas made a motion to approve Pamela Coates as the Board representative to the sick leave bank. Mr. Niemesh seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Haas	Yes
Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mr. Niemesh	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Executive Session

Mr. Niemesh made a motion to enter into executive session to consider the employment of a public employee or official. Mr. Haas seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Grice	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mr. Niemesh	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

The Board entered executive session at 7:29 p.m.

Mrs. Grice made a motion to return to regular session. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Mr. Niemesh	Yes
Mr. Haas	Yes

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Yes

The Board returned to regular session at 9:30 p.m.

Adjourn

Mrs. Grice moved and Mr. Cremeans seconded a motion to adjourn.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Niemesh

Yes

Mr. Haas

Yes

Mrs. Grice

Yes

Mr. Cremeans

Yes

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Bobbie Grice, President

Terry Gonda, Treasurer