

LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 26, 2016  
7:00 P.M.

The Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District, Warren County, Ohio met in regular session on July 26, 2016 at 7 p.m. at Little Miami High School, 3001 East US 22 & 3, Morrow, OH, 45152.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Mr. Haas called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

Others in attendance were: Greg Power, Pam Coates, Regina Morgan, Gene Blake, Stephen Collins, Melinda Briggs, Ryan Cherry, Marla Timmerman, Travis Showers, Maryann Duffy, Lisa Smith, Cory Taylor, Teresa Reynolds, DeeDee Walker, Wayne Lyke, Rachel Tilford, Susan Murray, Trisha Lewis, Cindy Marshall and other community members.

Adopt the Agenda and Addendum

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

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Reading of Minutes

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 29, 2016 regular meeting and the July 6, 2016 special meeting. Mrs. Grice seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Communications and/or Visitors to the Board

Mr. Power gave the board an update on enrollment numbers leading into the 2016-2017 school year. He said that more than 300 students had been through kindergarten screening this week and that an influx of new fifth grade students could prompt the need for adding a new classroom of that grade level. He said an existing 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher may be available to take slide over to that spot, and that he may ask the board to add a new 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher.

LMHS Principal Cathy Trevathan and Athletic Director Tiffany Sawyer then gave an update regarding the wrestling room discussion that had occurred at the previous board meeting. Ms. Sawyer said that she had reviewed the many options that were discussed at the meeting. She said she visited Maineville and Salem Elementary Schools to see if practices could occur there, and said that each site had its challenges. As the program continues to grow, it may be necessary to hire additional coaches who can oversee practices at other sites and relieve the pressure on the high school wrestling room.

Financial Reports

Mr. Cremeans made a motion to approve the financial reports for June 2016. Mrs. Grice seconded the motion. No questions or comments.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Personnel

Mrs. Grice made a motion to approve the following personnel issues as submitted for the 2016-2017 school year. Mr. Cremeans seconded the motion.

**EXEMPT PERSONNEL – RESIGNATION**

Jody Bailey – effective 6/30/16  
Brian Dalton – eff. 7/18/2016

**EXEMPT PERSONNEL – TWO-YEAR CONTRACT**

Erin Losey — Preschool Director, Step 1

**CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT, ONE-YEAR CONTRACT**

Karin Kinkelaar — HB MH Teacher, M+L20, Step 5  
Lisa Puhl, JH Sp. Ed. Teacher, BS Step 2

**CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – MATERNITY/PATERNITY LEAVE**

Blaire Shamoun – approx. 9/24/16 – 11/4/16

**CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – RESIGNATION**

Temperance Carpenter – effective 7/12/16

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT**

Toby Ward – HB Cook, 2.5 Hrs, effective 8/8/16  
Lauren Fisher — 0.5 Maineville Class II secretary, eff. 8/3/2016  
Kim Isaacs — HB Sp. Ed. Aide, Step 0  
Michelle Hendren — HM Sp. Ed. Aide, Step 0

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – RESIGNATION**

Alison Walls, effective 2016-17 school year

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT, SUBSTITUTE**

Jennifer Blow – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide, Cook  
Phyllis Bright – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide, Bus Aide  
Stephanie Claytor – Building Aide, Secretary  
Christine Cosby - Cook  
Kevin Crowe – Custodian  
Lisa Dalton - Cook  
Brooke Daugherty – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide  
Deb Davidson - Secretary  
Jeff Davidson - Custodian  
Audrey Doughman – Bus Aide  
Rebecca Ehling - Cook  
Christina Ellis – Bus Aide, Cook  
Emily Hatfield - Secretary  
Wain Hoover – Custodian  
Rhonda Huntley - Cook  
Larry Hutzel - Custodian  
Carol Jester – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide, Bus Aide, Cook  
Wesley Johnson – Bus Aide, Custodian, Cook  
Robyn Kerman – Secretary  
Patricia Lampe - Secretary  
Laura Loftin - Nurse  
Mary Lou Lloyd - Cook  
Jack McMullen – Bus Aide, Custodian, Cook, Maintenance  
Peggy Mirlisena – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide, Bus Aide, Cook  
Anita Mueller – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide, Cook  
Samantha Oeder – Nurse  
Helen Payne - Secretary  
Jessica Pierce – Bus Aide  
Andrea Prather – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide  
Bethany Rebman – Cook, Nurse, Secretary  
Megan Reisman – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide, Bus Aide  
Carolyn Roeper – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide  
Roscoe Ronto - Cook  
Brian Schaub – Bus Driver, Custodian  
Lori Smith – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide, Bus Aide  
Pete Smith – Custodian, Maintenance  
Gary Trovillo – Bus Aide, Bus Driver  
Brianna Turner - Cook  
Tonya Vargo Pettet – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide, Cook, Secretary  
Toby Ward - Cook  
Angie Wilson – Building Aide, Sp. Ed. Aide, Cook  
Amy Blanton, Secretary  
Kathy Meanwell, Secretary  
Franki Boegman, Bus Driver  
Pamela Socha, Bus Driver  
Cheri Fecher, Bus Driver  
Frank Harpen, Mechanic

**SUPPLEMENTAL PERSONNEL – RESIGNATION**

Ali Fisher – Girls A Volleyball & JH Boys Track Coach

**PUPIL ACTIVITY PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT**

***FALL 2016***

Grady Hollowell – JV men’s soccer coach, volunteer  
Kim Isaacs – Women’s soccer coach, volunteer  
Brittany Speath — Jr. Hi. Volleyball coach  
Geoff Kasulones — Women’s varsity lacrosse coach

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

2016-2017 Athletic Handbook

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve the 2016-2017 Athletic Handbook. Mrs. Grice seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Architectural consultant recommendation

Mr. Power asked for the Board’s input on selecting a master planning consultant. Mr. Cremeans and Mrs. Grice both said they felt that both SHP Leading Design and Emersion Design/Fanning Howey gave solid presentations, and said that they both leaned toward SHP because of the history the district has with the firm. Mrs. Journey said she also believed both firms gave good presentations, too, but said she felt that Emersion brought more energy to the table and that she leaned toward Emersion. Mr. Haas said he agreed with Mrs. Journey on leaning more toward Emersion, but said the Board couldn’t go wrong either way, because both firms were strong.

Mrs. Journey asked for Mr. Power’s assessment of both firms. He, too, said both had strong qualifications. He said he appreciated SHP’s history of working with the district on issues at the high school building. But after seeing both firms present, he said he believed Emersion Design/Fanning Howey would dig down deep into long-term master planning and engage the community in the entire process as they did in the Princeton school district.

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve Emersion Design/Fanning Howey as the consultant. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Board Meeting Dates Adjustment

Mrs. Grice made a motion to adjust Board meeting dates: November meeting moved to Tuesday, Nov. 22 due to OSBA Capital Conference and December meeting moved to Tuesday, Dec. 13 due to holiday break. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

New Business

Mrs. Grice gave the Warren County Career Center update and said that she had recently attended the ACTE conference. She said she attended several informational sessions and said that the Warren County Career Center won three awards and WCCC Superintendent Maggie Hess won the state Educator of the Year award.

Next Little Miami board meeting will take place Aug. 16, 2016 at 7 p.m. at Little Miami High School.

Community Comments – Non-Agenda Items

Trisha Lewis, a parent, then addressed the Board. She urged the Board to be an advocate for students who were suffering from mental and emotional issues and to provide services for those who needed them. She said that the current junior high school class had faced many tragedies, including the deaths of two of their classmates, and that they needed help. She offered to be a part of a committee or focus group to make sure they have access to resources they need. The Board thanked her for her comments.

Motion to Adjourn

Mrs. Grice made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Cremeans seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

The Board adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Melinda Briggs  
Community Relations Coordinator

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Randy Haas, President

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Terry Gonda, Treasurer