

LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
Jan. 10, 2017  
6:30 P.M.

The Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District, Warren County, Ohio met in organizational session on Jan. 10, 2017 in the conference room at Little Miami Intermediate School, 7247 Zoar Road, Maineville OH 45039.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Mr. Haas called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

Others in attendance were: Greg Power, Terry Gonda, Regina Morgan, Melinda Briggs, Pamela Coates.

Appointment of President Pro Tempore

Mrs. Grice made a motion to approve Terry Gonda as president pro tempore for 2017 to elect a board president. Mrs. Journey seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Adopt the Agenda

Mr. Niemesh made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Election of Board President

Mrs. Grice made a motion to nominate Mr. Haas for Board President. Mr. Cremeans seconded. There were no other nominations.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED, Mr. Haas is elected Board President.

Election of Board Vice President

Mr. Niemesh made a motion to nominate Mr. Cremeans for Vice President. Mrs. Grice seconded. There were no other nominations.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED, Mr. Cremeans is elected Vice President.

OSBA Education Legislation Liaison for 2017 Calendar Year

Mrs. Journey made a motion to nominate Mrs. Grice as OSBA Education Legislation Liaison. Mr. Niemesh seconded. There were no other nominations.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED, Mrs. Grice was elected OSBA Education Legislation Liaison.

OSBA Student Achievement Liaison for the 2017 Calendar Year

Mrs. Grice made a motion to nominate Tony Niemesh as OSBA Student Achievement Liaison. Mrs. Journey seconded. There were no other nominations.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED, Mr. Niemesh was elected OSBA Student Achievement Liaison.

Board of Education Authorization

Mr. Cremeans made a motion for the Board's authorization of the following. Mrs. Grice seconded.

1. Establish the Board of Education meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month, with the exception of December 2017, which be held Dec. 12, 2017. Meetings will be in the Little Miami High School Auditorium at 7 p.m., unless otherwise noted. To wit, Board meeting dates for 2017 will be: Jan. 24, Feb. 28, March 28, Apr. 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, Aug. 22, Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28 and Dec. 12.
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 2017 NSBA Annual Conference and 2017 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 VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Authorization

Mr. Niemesh made a motion and Mr. Cremeans seconded the 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. Authorizes 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 VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Superintendent Authorization

Mr. Cremeans made a motion and Mrs. Grice seconded 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 2017-2018 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, approve applications for professional meetings that conform to Board of Education established policies and appropriations.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of the Tax Budget commencing July 1, 2017

Mr. Niemesh made a motion to approve the tax budget to commence on July 1, 2017. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Appointment of Sick Leave Bank representative

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve Pamela Coates as the Board representative to the sick leave bank.  
Mrs. Grice seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Adjourn

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

The Board adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Briggs  
Community Relations Coordinator

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Randy Haas, President

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Terry Gonda, Treasurer