

LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Nov. 28, 2017
7:00 P.M.

The Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District, Warren County, Ohio met in regular session on Nov. 28, 2017 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 7:00 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, Marla Timmerman, Pam Tramble-Johnson, Teresa Reynolds, Tiffany Sawyer, Cathy Trevathan, Wayne Siebert, Maryann Duffy, DeeDee Walker, Alison Gates, Ryan Cherry, Jamie Miles, Susan Ganim, John Bailey, Cory Taylor, Nate Mahon, Gene Blake, Zack Knoblauch, John Knoblauch, Erin Losey, Dan Distel, Pamela Coates, Stephen Collins, Wayne Lyke, Vicki Gregor, Sarah Harris, Amber Huber, Rachel Tilford.

The LMHS AFJROTC color guard presented the colors for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adopt the Agenda with Addendum

Mrs. Grice made a motion to adopt the agenda with an addendum adding an executive session to the end of the meeting. Mr. Cremeans seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Reading of Minutes

Mrs. Grice made a motion to approve the minutes from the Oct. 24, 2017 regular meeting.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Communications and/or Visitors to the Board

Zack Knoblauch, a Little Miami High School student, presented his Eagle Scout project to the Board. Zack provided signing and landscaping for the band director's stand at the practice fields, and also provided signage for the band's storage area. The Board said they appreciated all of his hard work and Mr. Power signed off on his project.

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Mark Sousa, president of the Business Advisory Council, then addressed the board. He discussed the recent defeat of the bond issue and urged the Board to consider returning to the ballot in the near future. He said the BAC hopes to help with the direction of the next campaign, creating financial literacy communication, drawing from the state Cupp reports and other data.

Financial Reports

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve the financial reports for October 2017. Mr. Haas seconded the motion. No questions or comments.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Contracts

Mrs. Journey made motion to approve the following contract. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

COMPANY	AMOUNT	PERIOD	TYPE	PURPOSE
Modern Office Methods	\$18,810/mo.	60 months	Service	Printers & Copiers

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Personnel

Mrs. Grice made a motion to approve the following personnel items as submitted for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. Journey seconded the motion.

EXEMPT PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT, SUBSTITUTE

Britt Burlile - nurse

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – RESIGNATION

Amanda VanMil – effect. 11/3/2017

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL - MATERNITY/PATERNITY LEAVE

Abby Chance – approx. 1/2/18 - 3/9/18

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – SUMMER SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

Amber Huber

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT, LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE

Jeanette Kuschill – approx. 1/218 – 3/9/18

Jody Metz – approx. 11/13/17 – 12/14/17

Heidi Reiners – approx. 11/13/17- 12/14/17

Taylor Hoffman – approx. 1/2/18 – 1/12/18

Adam Howes -- approx. 11/6/17 – 5/24/18

Tara Robinson – approx. 11/28/17 – 5/24/18

Heather Barker – approx. 11/21/17-1/5/18

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CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT

Clay Dillon – HS second shift custodian, Step 0
Ceri Minzler – On Bus Instructor (OBI), eff. 11/20/17

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT

Seziaka Moore – From Van Driver to Sub Van Driver, effective 9/19/17

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – RESIGNATIONS

Tina Kohus – OBI Trainer, effect. 1/1/18
Samantha Hall – Bus Aide, effective 11/17/17

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT, SUBSTITUTE

Jennifer Daniels – Cook
Seziaka Moore – Van Driver, effective 9/19/1
Martin Jackson - Maintenance
Matt Reichling – Custodian
Bonnie Strunk – Bus Aide
Cherry Frederick – Cook

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – RELEASE FROM EMPLOYMENT

Steve Goedde – effect. 10/20/17
Toni Harper – effect. 11/16/17

SUPPLEMENTAL PERSONNEL – RESIGNATIONS

Mark LaPille – Men’s Varsity Head Tennis Coach

SUPPLEMENTAL PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT

Todd Kalsey – Bookstore, Class 11 Step 0
Ali Fisher – 8th Gr. Girls “B” Basketball, Class9 Step 4
Nancy Finn – 7th Gr. Basketball Cheer Coach, Class12 Step 2
Christine Krill – 8th Gr. Basketball Cheer Coach, Class12 Step 0
Laura Boulton – Men’s Var. Tennis Coach, Class 7 Step 5
Matt Inman – Men’s JV Basketball Coach, Class 6 Step 2 (updated)
Eric Lawson – Women’s Varsity Bowling Coach, Class 10, Step 0

PUPIL ACTIVITY PERMIT SUPPLEMENTAL – EMPLOYMENT

Rob Mason – 7th Gr. Girls Basketball – Class 8, Step 0
Drew Hobbs – Varsity Wrestling Assistant Coach, Class 8, Step 0

PUPIL ACTIVITY PERMIT SUPPLEMENTAL – RESIGNATIONS

Jamie Anderson – 8th Gr Cheer Coach, effect. 10/31/17

VOLUNTEERS

Kimberly Stamas
Jennifer Dozier
Elizabeth Waters
Jennifer Harding
Susan Morales

ROLL CALL:

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

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LMHS HOPE Club Field Trip

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve an overnight field trip for the Little Miami High School HOPE Club's overnight field trip on Feb. 10-11 to the Cintas Center on the campus of Xavier University at no cost to the district. Mrs. Grice seconded.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

LMHS Varsity Wrestling Lima Tournament

Mr. Cremeans made a motion to approve an overnight field trip by the Little Miami Varsity Wrestling Team to participate in a tournament at Lima Senior High School Jan. 12-13 at no cost to the district. Mr. Niemesh seconded.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 17-105 in Support of Ohio Senate Bill 216

Mr. Niemesh made a motion to approve Resolution 17-015 in Support of Ohio Senate Bill 216.

Mr. Haas told the audience that the Board has read and discussed the bill and that it seems to be moving in the right direction. Mr. Power said this was a local control bill, undoing a lot of the costly regulations that districts across Ohio have had to deal with for the last six to seven years.

**Resolution 17-105 of the Little Miami Board of Education
in Support of Ohio Senate Bill 216**

WHEREAS, the increasing burden of state mandated regulations on Ohio's public schools has reached a critical point.

WHEREAS, many of these regulations waste valuable time and money that should spent on teaching and learning.

WHEREAS, we desire to work in collaboration with our appointed and elected officials to address the accumulation of problems being generated by these regulations.

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 216 (Ohio Public School Deregulation Act) has been introduced to addresses some of these problems by:

- eliminating barriers to employing high quality teachers,
- eliminating the unnecessary duplication of tests used to assess student learning,
- providing a more accurate method (paper test) of assessing a third-grade student's ability to read and write versus their technical ability on the high stakes third grade reading test,
- requiring the national testing service to provide meaningful information for teachers to use to help children learn and grow,
- restoring the rights of parents to have some control over their children's attendance,
- restoring the ability of school boards to enforce education policy that meets local community needs,

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- consolidating and streamlining state reporting requirements to reduce time expended on unproductive paperwork, and
- providing relief from other mandates that have accumulated over time.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Little Miami Board of Education, being duly elected and acting as representatives of a legal and statutorily independent local board, supports Senate Bill 216 as a start to increasing efficiency and effectiveness in the state system of education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to all members of the Ohio Senate Education Committee.

_____ moved to adopt the above resolution
_____ seconded the motion.

Upon roll call vote on the adoption of this Resolution, the vote was as follows:

___ Randy Haas	___ Nancy Journey
___ Mike Cremeans	___ Tony Niemesh
___ Bobbie Grice	

The Governing Board of the Little Miami Local School District met in regular session on November 28, 2017 at Little Miami High School in Morrow, Ohio with all members present.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

New Business

Mrs. Grice said that Warren County Career Center board recently accepted several donations, including for the fire science program. She said the WCCC vet tech program also now does surgeries, and that the Career Center now has a new mustang mascot. The next regular board meeting will be Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. at the high school.

Executive Session

Mrs. Journey made a motion to enter into executive session to consider the employment of a public official. Mrs. Grice seconded.

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

The Board entered executive session at 7:40 p.m.

Return to Regular Session

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

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ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

The Board returned to regular session at 9:09 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn

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

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

The Board adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Melinda Briggs, Director of Communication

Randy Haas, President

Terry Gonda, Treasurer