

LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Feb. 27, 2018

The Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District, Warren County, Ohio met in regular session on Feb. 27, 2018 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 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

Others in attendance were: Greg Power, Terry Gonda, Rusty Holman, Christie Boron, Terry Liette, Tori Attili, Lisa Smith, Regina Morgan, Travis Showers, Alison Gates, Susan Ganim, DeeDee Walker, Pam Coates, Rachel Tilford, Vicki Gregor, Wayne Lyke, Travis Showers, Dan Distel, Cory Taylor, Jamie Miles, Nate Mahon, Tiffany Sawyer, John Bailey, Teresa Reynolds, Ryan Cherry and other members of the public.

Adopt the Agenda

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

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Reading of Minutes

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve the minutes from the Jan. 23 regular meeting and the Feb. 14, 2018 special meeting. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Communications and/or Visitors to the Board

Travis Showers, assistant principal at Little Miami Intermediate School, then addressed the board. He said in light of the district's growing enrollment, he had been working with other building leaders to do a study of all available space within Little Miami's buildings. This includes looking at space that was originally designed to be used as classrooms, along with spaces that the district has converted into class space. He said that this would help the district plan for short-term solutions to overcrowding while construction that is associated with the May 8 bond issue is

completed. Christie Boron said that the Board should know that the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission will also do a space study and those numbers will differ from internal data. She said that, as a matter of fact, the OFCC would say that the district is already over capacity.

She then made a presentation of conceptual drawings of the proposed additions that are part of the bond issue.

Melinda Briggs then addressed the board and gave a presentation on BoardDocs, a web-based electronic service for boards and committees to conduct the public's business. She said with the Board's agreement, she would like to bring a contract to the Board for approval at the March 27 meeting.

Financial Reports

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve the financial reports for January 2018. Mr. Cremeans seconded the motion. No questions or comments.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Contracts

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

COMPANY	AMOUNT	PERIOD	TYPE	PURPOSE
LCNB	No change from prior period	4 years	Service	Depository agreement
Sinclair College	\$41.64/credit hour	2018-19 school year	MOU	College Credit Plus agreement
Naviance	\$74,208.58	5 years	Service	Suite of services for college & career guidance
WSU Nutter Center	\$3,000	May 20, 2018	Rental	2018 Graduation
Maxim Healthcare Services	\$40/hr 4 hrs per day (\$160 per day) \$4,800 until end of school yr	Feb.-May 2018	Service	Healthcare services for student
St. Rita School for the Deaf	\$15,044	Feb.-May 2018	Service	Educational services for student
St. Rita School for the Deaf	\$468	Feb.-May 2018	Service	Occupational therapy for student
Home Acres Farm, Inc.	\$4,840	1 year	Revenue	Rental of farm land on Zoar Rd.
Tyler Technologies	\$6,381	One-time fee	Service	Versatrans system for transportation

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

MOTION CARRIED

Real Estate Purchase

Mrs. Grice made a motion to approve the real estate agreement for the property at 3041 U.S. 22-3 Morrow OH for \$200,000. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Lease Renewal

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve the renewal of the lease with Rivers Bend Urgent Care at Maineville Crossing. Mrs. Grice seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Donation

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve the donation of 148 Dell laptop computers from G.E. Aviation. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Personnel

Mr. Cremeans made a motion to approve the following personnel issues as submitted for the 2017-18 school year. Mrs. Journey seconded.

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – RESIGNATION

Jessica Nethers – HS Counselor, effect. 7/31/18
Stephanie Pennix – HM First Grade, effect. 7/31/18

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Ashley Stall – 2018-2019 school year

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL - MATERNITY/PATERNITY LEAVE

Ashley Stall – approx. 4/23/18 – 5/24/18
Bradi McKeever – approx. 5/8/18 – 5/24/18

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Lisa Puhl – approx. 3/26/18 5/24 18

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT, LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE

Betsy Dodson – approx. 4/23/18 – 5/24/18
Adam Howes – approx. 2/16/18 -5/24/18
Caroline Foellger – approx. 3/5/18 – 5/24/18
Tyler Hayslip – approx. 3/26/18 -5/24/18
Cory Spenser – approx. 2/26/18-5-24/18

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT

Mary Ellen Reid – Bus Aide, Step 0, effective 02/13/2018

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT, SUBSTITUTE

Jessica Mirolo – Bus Driver, effective 01/24/2018
David Ketterer – Bus Driver, effective 01/18/2018
Dona Ortberg – Bus Aide, effective 01/16/2018

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT, BUS TRAINEE

John “Tony” McHale
Anthony Pavone

SUPPLEMENTAL PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENT

Steve Hardewig - .4 JV Softball, Class 10 Step 2
Tiffany Sawyer – Asst. Softball, Volunteer
Christy O’Neill - Asst. JH Women’s Track, Class 11 Step 0
Andrea Burroughs – IATG (I AM That Girl), volunteer

PUPIL ACTIVITY PERMIT SUPPLEMENTAL - EMPLOYMENT

Thomas Byron – JV Women’s Lacrosse, Class 9 Step 0
Steve Smith – .6 Asst. Varsity Baseball, Class 8 Step 5
Tanner Schoellman – Reassign from Freshman Head to JV Head Baseball, Class 10 Step 3
Joe Wilson – Asst. JV Volunteer Baseball
Tyler Fritz – Freshman Baseball, Class 11 Step 0
Carrie Ellis – Asst. Varsity Softball, Class 8 Step 0
Wendy Greenwell - .6 JV Softball, Class 10 Step 2
Thomas Byron – Women’s JV Lacrosse, Class 9 Step 0
Justin Rutherford – Asst. Men’s Var. Track (Throws), Class 10 Step 0
Bob Rothermund – Asst. Men’s Var. Track (PV), Class 10 Step 3
Sydney Engle – Asst. Women’s Var. Track, Class 10 Step 2
Robert Mason – Asst. JH Men’s Track, Class 11 Step 0
Jim Yockey – Asst. Men’s Var. Track, Class 10 Step 0
Caitlin Yockey – Asst. Women’s Var. Track, Class 10 Step 0
Alex (Hank) McKay – Asst. Freshman Baseball - Volunteer

SUPPLEMENTAL PERSONNEL – RESIGNATIONS

Tarra Braunscheidel – JH Track, effect. 2/9/18

VOLUNTEERS

Vernon Sellers - LMYBBA
Gina Stacy

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Employee Handbook

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Mrs. Grice made a motion to approve the updated Employee Handbook as presented. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Eastern Cincinnati Conference Application

Mr. Cremeans made a motion to approve of the athletic director to submit the application for Little Miami Local Schools to become part of the Eastern Cincinnati Conference. Mrs. Journey seconded.

Mr. Cremeans asked if the district submitted the application, did Little Miami have to go ahead and join the league. Ms. Sawyer said that the league's understanding that if the district applies, it will enter the league after the two-year waiting period.

Mr. Cremeans asked Mr. Mahon his opinion of joining the league. Mr. Mahon said there were pros and cons to joining the league. He said as a football coach, he feels he has built a better program than in past years. However, unless there is a commitment to improve the district's athletic facilities, Little Miami would go backwards football-wise if they joined the ECC.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Grice	No
Mr. Cremeans	No
Mr. Siebert	Yes
Mrs. Journey	No
Mr. Haas	No

MOTION FAILED

Business Advisory Council Alignment with MCESC

Mr. Cremeans made a motion to approve the Business Advisory Council alignment with the Montgomery County Educational Services Center. Mr. Siebert seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Special Education Coordinator Job Description

Mrs. Journey made a motion to approve the special education coordinator job description as presented. Mrs. Grice seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

New Business

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The Board held first reading of updated Board Policies ACA/ACAA, ACA-R, ACAA-R, BCFA, BDDJ, EBC, EBC-R, EAA, EEACD-R, IGBB, IGBI, IGD, IGDI, IKF, JECCA.

Mrs. Grice said the Warren County Career Center board honored its board members and hired a new school resource officer. She said the Board also recognized a student who raised a significant amount of funds for gifts for the less fortunate during the holidays. She also said that enrollment had grown significantly at the Career Center.

Next meeting will be March 27 at 7 p.m. in the LMHS Media Center.

Community Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Greg and Michelle Houser addressed the board. Mr. Houser said he would like to encourage the board to support having teachers complete the FASTER Saves Lives course in order to carry weapons inside the schools. He said he would encourage the board to have layered approach to school security. Mrs. Houser said she would like the board to consider hiring armed guards for each building.

Tori Attili and Trinity Cox then addressed the board. They are both members of the Promise Club at Little Miami High School. They said they would like to see an in-school therapist to help isolated students and additional peer counseling.

Executive Session

Mrs. Grice made a motion to enter into executive session to consider the employment of a public employee. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

The Board entered into executive session at 8:15 p.m.

Return to Regular Session

Mrs. Grice made a motion to return to regular session at 10 p.m. Mr. Cremeans seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Adjourn

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,
Melinda Briggs
Director of Communications

Randy Haas, President

Terry Gonda, Treasurer