

The following actions were taken by the Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board at their regular meeting held October 23, 2018.

President Ron Crawford called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **REPORTS:**

**OSBA LEGISLATIVE LIAISON:** Mr. Brian Baker provided a legislative update. The State Board of Education's Achievement & Graduation Requirements Committee voted to approve a plan to change graduation requirements that would begin with the class of 2022. The full board is expected to vote on the proposed plan at the BOE November meeting. The updated requirements could not be implemented without the legislature's approval. The proposed plan was developed by a workgroup convened by Superintendent Paolo DeMaria and includes a personalized student approach to graduation that would allow multiple ways for each student to demonstrate knowledge and skills sufficient to earn a high school diploma. Education bills recently introduced include HB 734 (breakfast programs), HB 738 (school building standards for air conditioning, accessibility, school safety, and other amenities), SB 330 (mental health curriculum and education), and SB 329 (increase hazing penalties).

**OSBA STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LIAISON:** Mr. Jim George provided information relevant to student achievement. Communication with parents is key when rolling out technology initiatives according to Chagrin Falls EV director of technology and information systems. Chillicothe City's board of education recently approved participation in the MyCollegeOptions program, designed to help pair students with colleges that match their career interests and abilities. The free college planning service offers assistance to students, parents, high schools, counselors and teachers nationwide and is designed to assist high school students in exploring a wide range of postsecondary opportunities. Lakewood City MS students interacted with graphic novel authors as part of the culmination of their summer reading assignment. Stow-Munroe Falls City educators are introducing science, technology, engineering and math concepts, including coding, to elementary students as part of STEM curriculum. High school students with school-issued devices are more likely to email their teachers with questions, take notes in class and collaborate with their classmates, among other tasks, according to results of a survey by the Speak Up Research Project for Digital Learning.

**DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION:** Mrs. Jill Gilliland shared NwoESC has a team attending the OCALI identification series to learn more about the process of identification of students with autism spectrum disorders. Annual first aid training for preschool paras and teachers was provided by Carol Hesterman, NwoESC School Nurse. Ohio Learning Standards-Extended (English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies) have been updated for students in grades 3-12. The Ohio Learning Standards are also applicable for students in grades K-2.

**DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION, & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:** Mrs. Kris Dobbelaere shared professional development that has been happening at the NwoESC including Literacy, STEAM Maker Mondays and Workplace Wednesdays, Teacher Led Networking and PD for Administrators. The four county Quiz Bowl season is in full swing with Education Consultants facilitating these events. An update of the October 13 NwOhio Edcamp was provided. Mrs. Dobbelaere also reported that she has recently attended updates in Columbus of the Ohio Principal, Teacher and Guidance Counselor Evaluation Systems. Marianne Mottley, Ohio Department of Education, will be presenting to area educators on November 15 an overview of the current Local Report Card.

**DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY:** Mr. Chad Rex shared that he has been working with the preschool team on researching a new, web-based solution for the preschool database and enrollment process. Mr. Rex also communicated that the collaborative ESC and NWOCA instructional services team worked hard to put the finishing touches on the inaugural Edcamp event and they delivered an outstanding 'unconference' on Saturday, October 13th. Chad Rex presented Future Ready information and how ESCs support Ohio's school districts at the Ohio Department of Education's 'Technology Director' on October 9.

Approved the following items under the consent agenda format:

- Financial Transactions
- Minutes from the regular board meeting held September 25, 2018.

**AGREEMENTS**

-Ayersville Local Schools to provide to NWOESC, Paraprofessional Services for the period of 8/15/18-6/15/19.

-Henry County Health Department to provide to NWOESC, 21st Century (Holgate MS/HS), Extended Learning Opportunities Services for the period of 10/1/18-6/30/19.

-Laurie’s Empty Nest, LLC to provide to NWOESC, 21st Century (Delta Elem.), Positive Youth Development Activities, Character Development, and Self Esteem Experiences Services for the period of 9/26/18-5/15/19.

-Patrick Henry School District Public Libraries to provide to NWOESC, 21st Century (Patrick Henry Elem.), Family Literacy Development Activities Services for the period of 10/11/18-4/25/19.

-NWOESC to provide to Anthony Wayne School District, Instructional Services at the Liberty Education Center for the 2018-19 academic year.

-NWOESC to provide to Ayersville Local Schools, Occupational Therapist Services for the period of 8/15/18-6/15/19.

-NWOESC to provide to Central Local Schools, Translation Assistant Services for the period of 9/15/18-6/15/19.

-NWOESC to provide to Patrick Henry School District, Instructional Services at the Liberty Education Center for the 2018-19 academic year.

-NWOESC to provide to St. John Lutheran School, Speech Therapist Services for the period of 8/15/18-6/15/19.

-NWOESC to provide to Wauseon Exempted Village Schools, School Nurse Consulting Services for the period of 8/15/18-6/15/19.

**LEAVES**

FMLA and Extended Medical

**EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATIONS**

**CONTRACTS**

**Classified Limited**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Contract</b>	<b>Length</b>
Sterken, Cara	CLASS-1 Yr	10/22/18- 7/31/19

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Teachers**

Defiance – Lindsay Long

Patrick Henry – Shannon George, Rebecca Leonard, Tabitha Maas, Rebecca Wasson

Wauseon – Ashley Oyer

**After School Program Teacher**

Swanton Elementary - Joseph Bolyard, Britteny Rolfes

**After School Program Assistant**

Swanton Elementary – Rachael DeKoeyer, Regina Hanson, Brooke Ostrander

**Substitute Speech Language Pathologist**

Stephanie Tyson

**Substitute Paraprofessionals**

Melissa Andres, Sharon Barber, Courtney Caudill, Abbie Hill, Kelly LaPoint, Cynthia Pawlaczyk, Tarra Phillips, Brandy Rhodes, Ashley Shanks, Constance Smith

**Substitute Teachers**

Bruce Brown, Joy Chase, Brianna Culler, Lisa Frame, Sam Hutchinson, Candace Keller, Bradley North, Paul Porter, Brandy Rhodes, Christina Saneholtz, Walter Steele

**Student Teachers/Interns/Volunteers**

Barr, Megan, Methods Placement as a BGSU Student, Fall Semester, 2018 Placed with Julie Shawber  
Barr, Megan, Student Teaching as a BGSU Student, Spring Semester, 2019 Placed with Julie Shawber  
Cummins, Maria, Methods Placement as a BGSU Student, Fall Semester, 2018 Placed with Neeley McGill  
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Dozier, Rachel, Methods Placement as a BGSU Student, Fall Semester, 2018 Placed with Christi Ranzau  
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Kish, Ariel, Methods Placement as a BGSU Student, Fall Semester, 2018 Placed with Julie Shawber  
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Mendoza, Macayla, Methods Placement as a BGSU Student, Fall Semester, 2018 Placed with Neely McGill  
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Steineman, Sara, Methods Placement as a BGSU Student, Fall Semester, 2018 Placed with Deb Wittenmyer  
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**INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

The 2019 benefit rates for health, dental, vision and life insurance were reviewed with the board.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:** Ms. Kerri Gearhart shared the NwOESC organizational priorities for 2018-19. Several meetings have taken place recently related to public school advocacy and school funding. The Northwest Ohio Public School Advocacy group, CAPE, held an organizational meeting and met to hear from the candidates running for the State Board of Education District 2 seat. CAPE is a group of Northwest Ohio superintendents working to build relationships with legislators, share concerns, and offer solutions to many educational issues affecting Ohio students. A regional meeting to discuss school funding was held at Apollo Career Center. Representatives Cupp and Patterson initiated a bipartisan effort to look comprehensively at school funding for the upcoming biennium budget. OSBA hosted a Legislative breakfast for the Northwest Region at Penta Career Center recently with candidates running for various political offices in attendance. NwOESC has been working through a change in the online evaluation system from Edivate to Frontline Employee Evaluation Management System. The new platform is user-friendly in navigation and able to meet agency needs in managing staff in various locations as efficiently as possible. October Building and Grounds Reports were shared.

•As all of the business of the evening was complete, the meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m. The next regular meeting of the board will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at the NwOESC office located at 205 Nolan Parkway, Archbold, OH.