

# REGULAR MEETING MILLCREEK-WEST UNITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 12, 2024

Library

President Heather Jones called the regular meeting of the Millcreek-West Unity Local Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m. in the library, with the following board members present for roll call: Dawn Layman, Brian Wieland, Randy Mahlman, David Chester and Heather Jones.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Wyse gave the superintendent's report. He briefly mentioned the implementation of Terrace Metrics, which helps schools monitor, measure and manage students' behavioral health. He also explained to the Board the possibility of the expanded use of the counselors from Joy Fruchey and Associates, to serve some of the students who used to meet with our former counselor. Mr. Wyse also asked the Board if they would be willing to have the Ohio DNR place an observation well on school property. The Board agreed.

Mr. Riley gave his report for the high school. Mr. Wyse gave the elementary report as Mr. Mansfield was attending a Tech Conference in Columbus. Attachments board notes.

#27-24 Mr. Mahlman made the motion to approve the following consent agenda supported by Mr. Chester:

1. Approved the minutes, Financial Statements and Investments from the January 2024 Board of Education meetings. Attachment in board notes
2. Approved the resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. Attachment in board notes
3. Approved 2024 Membership with Ohio School Board's Association \$4,784 and School Management News Subscription \$150.
4. Approved payment for services to Auditor of State's office for 2022-2023 financial audit. Approximately \$20,000.
5. Approved Revised Foundation Deduction Agreement retro to 1/9/24 in the amount of \$264,254.94 with Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center for increased special education services.
6. Approved 2024 Membership with West Unity Area Chamber of Commerce.
7. Approved the following employment:
  - Catherine Royal as a Multi-Task Aide, 1 year experience, with a retro employment date of January 22, 2024.
  - Desiree Arps - JH Track Coach
  - Brianna Yager - Volunteer Softball Coach - Pending all credentials and fingerprinting has been completed and approved.
8. Approved the following graduate study reimbursement:

- Lauren Freado ~ TCH510 - Secondary Teaching Methods - University of Phoenix - 3 semester hrs - Winter Semester.
9. Approved updated Curriculum and Digital Resources. Attachment in board notes
  10. Approved a Contract Addendum to the Agreement with Joy D. Fruchey & Associates dated September 18, 2023. Attachment in board notes
  11. Approved the overnight stay for students presenting their science fair project at the Ohio Junior Science & Humanities Symposium at Capital University in Columbus, OH for Feb. 29 - March 1, 2024.
  12. Approved the following donations:
    - Hats and gloves from the West Unity United Methodist Church.
    - Hats and gloves from Living Hope Free Methodist Church.
    - \$600 anonymous Christmas donation to the Principals Fund for elementary students to purchase treats from the cafeteria.
    - \$7,325.00 from Hilltop Athletic Boosters for a Timing System.
    - \$500 from the Hilltop Athletic Boosters for Athletic Nutrition.
    - \$500 from The Old School Garden Tractor Puller Association to the FFA Chapter

Vote: Mrs. Jones, yes; Mrs. Layman, yes; Mr. Mahlman, yes; Mr. Wieland, yes; and Mr. Chester, yes. Motion carried.

#28-24 Mrs. Jones made the motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of public employees or regulated individual, or investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee or regulated individual unless such person requests a public hearing. No action will follow. Mr. Wieland supported the motion. Vote: Mr. Mahlman, yes; Mr. Wieland, yes; and Mr. Chester, yes; Mrs. Jones, yes; and Mrs. Layman, yes. Motion carried. Mr. Wyse and Mrs. Thompson were invited into executive session as well.

The board left regular session at 6:18. Executive session began at 6:25 p.m.

The Board returned to regular session at 6:59 p.m.

#29-24 With no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Mahlman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wieland seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion was carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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Board President

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Treasurer