

REGULAR MEETING MILLCREEK-WEST UNITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 13, 2023

Library

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Jim Wyse, Superintendent presented the Board with several different school voucher proposals that the State General Assembly is currently considering, with possible impacts on our state funding.

Steve Riley, H.S. Principal and Jason Mansfield, Elementary Principal gave their monthly reports. Attachments in Board Notes.

#26-23 Mr. Mahlman made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Wieland seconded the motion. Vote: Mrs. Jones, yes; Mr. Mahlman, yes; Mrs. Carothers, yes, Mr. Chester, yes; and Mr. Wieland, yes. Motion carried.

1. Approved the minutes, Financial Statements and Investments from the February 2023 Board of Education meetings. Attachment in Board Notes
2. Approved Service Agreement with the N.W. Ohio Educational Service Center for \$265,616.62 for FY24. \$199,212.46., which is approximately 75% or within \$75,000 of the total estimated costs, shall be a foundation deduction over 24 payments ORC 3313.845, with the remainder to be billed directly at the end of the year.
3. Approved payment for student travel expenses, up to \$1,200 each to attend the following Science Fairs: International Science and Engineering Fair in Texas: James Bell, Joscelyn Layman, & Ingrid Hoffman, May 14-19; Genius Olympiad in New York: James Bell, June 12-16.
4. Approved participation in the OHI Charter Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program for the 2024 Policy Year.
5. Approved agreement with Julian & Grube, CPA Firm to provide Medicaid AUP Services: 2023-2024, \$1,900; 2024-2025, \$1,900.
6. Approved 2023 membership with West Unity Area Chamber of Commerce. \$40.
7. Approved the following revenue increases and appropriation modifications.

<i>Fund</i>	<i>Increase (Decrease) Revenue</i>
003 Permanent Improvements	\$20,000.
004 Building	\$1,500.

8. Approved the following Graduate Study Reimbursement:
 - Tony Gerig - EDU6350 - Differentiated Instruction - Ashland University - Fall Semester - 1 semester hour.
9. Approved the overnight stay:
 - State FFA Wildlife CDE @ Hocking College, 33012 Hocking Pkwy, Nelsonville, OH 45764 - March 31 - April 1, 2023.
10. Approved the following employments for the 2023 - 2024 school year:
 - Allyson Sullivan - First Grade Teaching Position - Bachelors @ 3 years' experience;
 - Troy Cummins - 7th & 8th Grade Science Teaching Position - Masters @ 10 years' experience
 - Casey Massie - K-6 Intervention Specialist (Cross-Categorical Unit) - Masters @ 6 yrs experience
 - Miranda (Mandy) Patten & Sandra Hillard - Part-Time Tutors
11. Approved the following donations:
 - Nancy Miller - donated \$1,000.00 towards the new choir room.
 - Two Anonymous donation of \$500.00 each to the Track Fund
 - American Legion Post 669 - donated two flags - one 5 x 8 and one 3 x 5
 - Hilltop Athletic Boosters - donated \$5,000 for weight room equipment
12. Approved the non-renewal of all 2022 - 2023 supplemental contracts at the end of the school year.
13. Approved the following resignations:
 - Aubrey Wyse as Assistant Softball Coach
 - Jennifer Marvin as Para Professional - last day is Friday, May 26, 2023.
14. Approved the following employments:
 - Lana Baker - Assistant Softball Coach
 - Aubrey Wyse - Volunteer Softball Coach
15. Approved the updates (yellow highlighted) for the Gifted Handbook. Attachment in Board Notes

In "Items from the Board", Mr. Mahlman inquired about the donation of a grand piano from a member of the community. Mr. Wyse told him that we were interested in accepting the donation, but it would have to be once the new choir room is finished, so it would not need to be moved and tuned twice.

#27-23 Mr. Mahlman made the motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees, with no action to follow. Mr. Chester seconded the motion. Vote: Mrs. Jones, yes; Mr. Mahlman, yes; Mrs. Carothers, yes; Mr. Chester, yes; and Mr. Wieland, yes. Motion carried.

The Board entered into executive session at 6:24 and returned to regular session at 6:48.

#28-23 With no further business to come before the board, Mr. Wieland made the motion to adjourn. Mrs. Carothers seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion was declared and Mrs. Jones adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer