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The regular meeting of the Madison Board of Education was held on November 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Madison Middle School Auditeria with Tim Wigton presiding as President.

Members Present; Melissa Walker, Amy Walker, Mary Kotterman, Doug Mosier, and Tim Wigton

#### Members Absent; none

Prior to the adoption, Mrs. Melissa Walker requested to amend the agenda to remove Doug Rickert from the consent agenda personnel, Section M, item 1b, and place his employment recommendation as a separate resolution.

On a motion by Miss Amy Walker, seconded by Mrs. Kotterman, the Board adopted the agenda.

**Vote; Yeas:** A. Walker, Kotterman, M. Walker, Wigton **Nays:** Mosier **Absent:** None **Motion Carried** 

On a motion by Mr. Mosier, seconded by Mrs. Melissa Walker the Board approved the previous board minutes.

- 1. October 18, 2023 Regular Meeting
- 2. November 14, 2023 Work Session

Vote; Yeas: Mosier, M. Walker, Kotterman, A. Walker, Wigton Nays: None Absent: None Motion Carried

#### **Teacher Recognition**

A. The following teachers were recognized for significant evidence that each teacher's students made more growth than expected on the Ohio State Test, during the 2022-23 school year.

Melissa Vetter, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Kristen Agee, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Kevin Andress, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Cortanee Caugherty, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Goldie Spencer, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Troy Stimpert, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Megan Studer, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Zinda Thomas, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Sarah Weiser, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Jen Branstetter, High School ELA Maggie Washington, High School Government

### **Committee Reports**

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There was no Legislative, Board Policy, or Athletic Board of Control reports given. Student Council President Kendall Kershner updated the Board on some of the current athletic achievements and student activities. Mr. Steve Crist gave a facilities report. Mrs. Melissa Walker gave a Student Achievement report and Mr. Rob Peterson provided a Superintendent's Update.

#### **President's Business**

1. Next Regular Board of Education meeting – 6:00 p.m. on December 19, 2023 High School Library

On a motion by Mrs. Melissa Walker, seconded by Mrs. Kotterman, the Board withdrew into Executive Session for the purpose of considering the employment of a public employee at 6:17 PM

Vote; Yeas: M. Walker, Kotterman A. Walker, Mosier, Wigton Nays: None Absent: None Motion Carried

On a motion by Mrs. Melissa Walker, seconded by Mr. Mosier, the Board reconvened from Executive Session at 7:21 PM

Vote; Yeas: M. Walker, Mosier, Kotterman, A. Walker, Wigton Nays: None Absent: None Motion Carried

#### **Presentations**

Mr. Jacob Grove, Career-Technical Director updated the Board on the Career Tech report card and the new things and focus of the Career Tech program at the High School.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

On a motion by Mrs. Melissa Walker seconded by Mr. Mosier, the Board:

1. Approval of monthly financial report as submitted

**Vote; Yeas:** M. Walker, Mosier, A. Walker, Kotterman, Wigton **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Motion Carried** 

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## Strategic Plan – Student Learning and Support

Mrs. Renee Neron and Mr. Curt McVicker gave a report of how the student learning and support team are using the data to drive decisions on instruction, what curriculum we are providing for instruction, and what support we are providing to the students. The explained how they are helping the administration use the testing data to improve proficiency and improve student performance putting in supports for all students.

#### Personnel

On a motion by Mr. Mosier, seconded by Mrs. Melissa Walker, the Board of Education approved the following matters related to personnel:

#### 1. Certificated Personnel

a. Resignations

The Superintendent recommends acceptance of the following resignations/retirements, for reasons as noted, to be effective as indicated:

Tim Niswander, Fitness Coordinator – Winter Personal Effective 10/30/23

b. Additional Assignments

The Superintendent recommends the appointment of the following supplemental positions for 2023/2024 school year pending proper certification, paperwork, and BCI/FBI checks.

Lyle Scott, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Basketball Coach Teri Foley-Kanz, ½ 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Cheerleading Advisor (winter)

c. Appointments - Madison Adult Education Hires

Pending proper/applicable certification, paperwork, and BCI/FBI checks, the Superintendent recommends approval of the following.

Leslie Pope, Cosmetology Instructor

d. Appointments – Substitute Teachers

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Pending proper/applicable certification, paperwork, and BCI/FBI checks, the Superintendent recommends approval of the appointment of the following substitute teachers on an "on call" basis, as needed for the 2023/2024 school year:

Olivia Compton
Brian Coulter
Barbara Gombosch
Addie Heifner
David Kaple
Emilee Parker
Amanda Risner
Cassandra VanCura
Hannah Owens
Marc Twitchell

#### e. Appointments – Volunteers

Pending proper/applicable certification, paperwork, and BCI/FBI checks, the Superintendent recommends approval of the appointment of the following volunteers:

#### 3. Classified Personnel

#### a. Resignations

The Superintendent recommends acceptance of the following resignations/ retirements, for reasons as noted, to be effective as indicated:

April Ross, Special Education Aide – Mifflin	Personal	Effective 11/10/23
Mya Wiseman, MECLC	Personal	Effective 11/15/23
Natalie McCracken, MECLC	Personal	Effective 11/17/23

#### b. Appointments

Pending proper/applicable certification, paperwork, and BCI/FBI checks, the Superintendent recommends approval of the following beginning the 2023/2024 school year. Salary is in accordance with the adopted salary schedule:

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Twyla DeVito, Special Education 1-1 Aide – Mifflin James Ernsberger, 4-hour cafeteria worker – South

Effective 10/23/23 Effective 10/24/23

#### Point of Information

- Richele Garand has been awarded the Custodian Day Shift position at the high school, effective 1/3/24, replacing William Chinn, Jr., who is retiring.
- Deborah Bowling has been awarded the 4 hour cafeteria position at Madison South, replacing Lori Hursh who accepted another position.
- c. Disciplinary Action
- d. Appointments Substitutes

Pending proper/applicable certification, paperwork, and BCI/FBI checks, the Superintendent recommends approval of the appointment of the following substitute employees on an "on call" basis, as needed, for the 2023/2024 school year:

Carrell Gandy, Secretary James Pasheilich, Cafeteria

**Vote; Yeas:** Mosier, M. Walker, A. Walker, Kotterman, Wigton **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Motion Carried** 

On a motion by Mr. Mosier, seconded by Miss. Amy Walker, the Board of Education approved Doug Rickert as Assistant Varsity (JV) Girls' Basketball Coach.

Vote; Yeas: Mosier, A. Walker, Kotterman, Wigton Nays: M. Walker Absent: None Motion Carried

#### **Superintendent's Business**

On a motion by Mr. Mosier, seconded by Mrs. Melissa Walker, the Board of Education approved the following matters related to the Superintendents Business:

1. The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve the following for inlieu of transportation students for the 2023/2024 school year: 6:00 P.M.

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- 2. The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve the Staffing Agreement with Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center for staffing services for Mansfield Christian School commencing July 1, 2023, and ending on July 31, 2024.
- 3. The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve the following pay rate effective January 1, 2024: Substitute Cooks (\$10.45/hr).
- 4. The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve April 8, 2024 as a calamity day (solar eclipse).
- 5. The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve the resolution below:

AUTHORIZING META SOLUTIONS, ACTING JOINTLY AS A MEMBER OF THE OHIO SCHOOL CONSORTIUM ("CONSORTIUM")<sup>1</sup>, TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF COMPETITIVE RETAIL NATURAL GAS SERVICE FROM THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER SUBMITTED TO CONSORTIUM AND AUTHORIZING THE BOARD TO PURCHASE COMPETITIVE RETAIL NATURAL GAS SERVICE FROM SUCH BIDDER.

WHEREAS, the School District is a member of META Solutions, a body authorized by state statute to aggregate the purchasing needs of schools and of related nonprofit educational entities so as to take advantage of economies of scale when purchasing essential products and services;

WHEREAS, in prior years, META Solutions has joined with other school districts and educational purchasing councils, acting jointly as a member of the Consortium, to conduct a Request for Proposal ("RFP") for competitive natural gas service commencing on or about mid-February 2024;

WHEREAS, through prior RFP processes, the Consortium has selected the lowest and best bids submitted in response to RFPs; and the School District has previously elected to enter into a Master Supply Agreement with the lowest and best bidder for competitive retail natural gas service for all of the School District's natural gas supply;

WHEREAS, the Consortium intends to issue a new RFP for competitive retail natural gas service commencing with the July, 2025 billing cycle and terminating no later than the end of the June, 2030 billing cycle for participating school districts and education purchasing councils;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The members of the Consortium are the META Solutions, the Ohio Mid-Eastern Regional Education Service Agency, the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council, the Stark County Schools Council of Governments, Columbus City Schools, and South-Western City Schools.

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WHEREAS, the School District wishes to participate in this upcoming RFP process and potentially execute a Master Service Agreement with the lowest and best RFP bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee will review the lowest and best bid and corresponding terms when the RFP is concluded and determine whether the RFP resulted in the lowest and best bid for competitive retail natural gas service for all of the School District's natural gas supply.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY Madison Local School District, Richland County, STATE OF OHIO, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Education of the School District does hereby consent, as a member of META Solutions to the conducting of an RFP process by the Consortium for competitive retail natural gas service commencing with the July, 2025 billing cycle and terminating no later than the end of the June, 2030 billing cycle, with bids to be submitted for one, two and three year periods on such terms and conditions as the Consortium deems appropriate.

<u>Section 2</u>. The Board of Education of the School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee to execute a Master Supply Agreement between the School District and the lowest and best bidder in the RFP so long as the Superintendent or his appointee finds that the price reflects the results of a public and competitive RFP process.

<u>Section 3</u>. The Board of Education hereby directs the Treasurer to review the lowest and best bid once received and the Master Supply Agreement and determine if the School District has sufficient funds to certify this resolution and, if the Treasurer so finds, to certify this resolution.

# **CERTIFICATE**EXPENDITURE BASED ON CONTRACT

The undersigned hereby certifies that: (a) the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution duly passed by the Board of Education of said School District on the 15th day of November 2023; (b) pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.412, the School District has in effect for the remainder of the school fiscal year and the succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes, including the renewal of existing levies which, when combined with estimated revenue from all other sources available to the School District at the time of certification, are sufficient to provide operating revenues necessary to enable the School District to maintain all personnel and programs on all days in its school calendar for the current fiscal year and for a number of days in succeeding fiscal years equal to the number of days that instruction was held or is scheduled to be held for the current fiscal year; (c) this Certificate attached to the appropriation measure shall cover only the fiscal year in which the appropriation measure is effective and does not consider the renewal or replacement of an existing levy as the authority to levy taxes that are subject to appropriation in the current fiscal year unless the renewal or replacement levy had been approved by electors and is subject to appropriation in the current fiscal year; and (d) this Certificate covers the term of the Master Supply Agreement including any allowable extensions.

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6. The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve the resolution below: RESOLUTION TO MAKE PROVISIONAL CHANGES TO BOARD POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES AND FORMS TO COMPLY WITH HB 33

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2023, the 135th Ohio General Assembly passed the state's biennial Operating Budget for FY 24-25 ("Amended Substitute House Bill 33" or "H.B. 33"), and Governor DeWine signed the legislation into law on July 3, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Amended Substitute House Bill 33 makes significant structural changes to the Ohio Department of Education, including renaming the Department of Education as the Department of Education and Workforce ("DEW"), creating the position of a director of education and workforce who will be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, establishing within the DEW the Division of Career-Technical Education and the Division of Primary and Secondary Education, each of which will be led by a deputy director appointed by the director of education with the advice and consent of the Senate, creating the "Department of Children and Youth," creating the position of a director of children and youth, and transferring most of the powers and duties of the State Board of Education and the Superintendent of Public Instruction to the DEW, the Director of Education and Workforce, the Department of Children and Youth, and/or the Director of Children and Youth; and

WHEREAS, most of the State Board of Education and/or Superintendent of Public Instruction's powers prior to the effective date of H.B.33 will now fall under the auspices and/or jurisdiction of the DEW, the Director of Education and Workforce, the Department of Children and Youth, and/or the Director of Children and Youth, the State Board of Education retains the following duties: (1) adopt requirements for educator licensure; (2) process and issue educator licenses; (3) investigate and resolve educator misconduct complaints; (4) evaluate background checks, evaluate eligibility for licensure and participate in the retained applicant fingerprint database program; (5) determine school district territory transfer disputes; and (6) administer the teacher and school counselor evaluation systems; and

WHEREAS, during the period of transition and until such time as respective roles are clearly delineated, the Board of Education desires to recognize and give full effect to the structural changes made by H.B, 33 and align its practices accordingly;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education that any and all references to the "Department of Education," "Ohio Department of Education," "Department," or "ODE" contained in the Board's existing polices and corresponding administrative guidelines and forms, shall, after the effective date of HB 33 (i.e., on or about October 2, 2023), mean the "Department of Education and Workforce" ("DEW") or the "Department of Children and Youth" for all purposes set forth and described in HB 33.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that to the extent that existing Board policies and corresponding administrative guidelines and forms reference the "State Superintendent of Public Instruction" and/or the "State Board of Education," such references, after the effective date of HB 33, shall be mean the "Department of Education and Workforce" ("DEW"), the "Director of Education and Workforce," the "Department of Children and Youth" and/or the "Director of Children and Youth" as applicable and appropriate and as set forth and described in HB 33.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, until such time as the Board's existing policies and corresponding administrative guidelines and forms are updated to reflect the changes set forth above, the Superintendent shall act and direct other school staff to act and carry out their responsibilities in a manner consistent with HB 33 and the above-identified provisional changes to Board policies and corresponding administrative guidelines and forms.

Mr. Doug Mosier moved the adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

Mrs. Melissa Walker seconded that motion.

Upon the roll call the vote was as follows:

	AYE	NAY
Mary Kotterman	X	
Doug Mosier	X	
Amy Walker	X	
Melissa Walker	X	
Tim Wigton	X	

ADOPTED: November 15, 2023

ATTEST:

Bradd Stevens, Treasurer

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Vote; Yeas: Mosier, M. Walker, A. Walker, Kotterman, Wigton Nays: None Absent: None Motion Carried

On a motion by Mr. Mosier, seconded by Miss. Amy Walker, the Board adjourned the regular meeting of the Madison Board of Education at 7:56 PM with the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on December 19, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at High School Library.

**Vote; Yeas:** Mosier, A. Walker, M. Walker, Kotterman, Wigton **Nays:** None **Absent:** None **Motion Carried** 

Certificate Section 5705.412 ORC

It is hearby certified that the Madison Local School District Board of Education, Richland County, Ohio has sufficient funds to meet the contract agreement, obligation, payment or expenditure for the above, and has in effect for the remainder of the fiscal year and succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes, which when combined with the estimated revenue from all other sources available to the district at the time of certification, are sufficient to provide operating revenues necessary to enable the district to operate an adequate educational program on all days set forth in its adopted school calendar for the current fiscal year and for a number of days in succeeding fiscal year equal to the number of days instruction was or is scheduled for the current fiscal year.

Attest;	
	Tim Wigton, President
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	Bradd Stevens, Treasurer