

Regular Board Meeting December 18, 2023

The Edgerton Local Board of Education met for the regular board meeting on Monday, December 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Annex Board Room. *Members present were Lyn Bowsher, Amanda Giesige, Nick Hug, Robert Siebenaler and Bill Swank.* Others present were William Blakely, Brett Grieser, Ben Wilhelm, Colette Schroeder, Nate Giesige, Brian Stiver, Jodi Herman, Steve Jennings, Liam Jackson from the Bryan Times, and Cindy Thiel from the Edgerton Earth.

Amanda Giesige moved, seconded by Nick Hug, to approve the agenda and any revisions.
Vote: Giesige, Hug, Bowsher, Swank, Siebenaler-yes.

RESOLUTION #2023-229 ADOPTED

Lyn Bowsher moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on November 20, 2023. *Vote: Bowsher, Swank, Giesige, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-230 ADOPTED

Amanda Giesige moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to go into executive session for the purpose of Personnel Employment and Personnel Investigation of charges or complaints against an employee, official or student. *Vote: Giesige, Swank, Bowsher, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-231 ADOPTED

Members Giesige, Swank, Bowsher, Hug, and Siebenaler, along with Mr. Blakely, went into executive session at 6:03 p.m. The same five board members returned from executive session at 7:03 p.m.

Nick Hug moved, seconded by Amanda Giesige, to accept the resignation of Kermit Riehle, Superintendent, effective January 3, 2024. *Vote: Hug, Giesige, Bowsher, Swank-yes. Siebenaler-no.*

RESOLUTION #2023-232 ADOPTED

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All meetings of the Edgerton Local Board of Education will be open to the public. In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of thirty (30) minutes of public participation will be permitted at each meeting.

People not on the agenda wanting to address the Board must request permission from the President of the Board or the Superintendent prior to the start of the meeting.

Agendas will be distributed to all those who attend Board meetings. The section on the agenda for public participation will be marked with an asterisk (*). The board expects Policy 9130-Public Complaints to be enforced prior to their involvement.

First level Public requested to speak with individual directly involved with situation.
Second level Public requested to speak to individual's immediate supervisor.
Third level Public may request to speak with superintendent.
Fourth level Public may request a meeting with the board of education.

Please review Public Complaints Policy 9130 for more detail.

Lyn Bowsher moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to approve financial reports, bills for payment, appropriations and estimated resource modifications for the month of November, and the following investments:

StarOhio	11/31/23	\$ 2,362,243.11	5.57%
RedTree	11/31/23	\$ 3,054,728.87	3.54%
Premier Bank MM	11/31/23	\$ 402,131.83	5.73%
State Bank CD	11/31/23	\$ 214,889.94	3.96%
Hicksville Bank CD	11/31/23	\$ 788,981.20	5.35%

Vote: Bowsher, Swank, Giesige, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.

RESOLUTION #2023-233 ADOPTED

Lyn Bowsher moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to approve OSBA Annual Membership dues at the amount of \$4,102, with the emailed Briefcase. *Vote: Bowsher, Swank, Giesige, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-234 ADOPTED

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Lyn Bowsher moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to accept the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. *Vote: Bowsher, Swank, Giesige, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-235 ADOPTED

Lyn Bowsher moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to set Monday, January 2, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. as the organizational meeting of the Edgerton Local Schools Board of Education. *Vote: Bowsher, Swank, Giesige, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-236 ADOPTED

Lyn Bowsher moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to appoint a president pro-tem, Robert Siebenaler, for the January 2, 2024 organizational meeting. *Vote: Bowsher, Swank, Giesige, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-237 ADOPTED

Lyn Bowsher moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to make the following commendations:

- a. FCA – 177 shoe boxes were collected for 2023 Operation Christmas Child program from students, staff, and community
- b. NHS – 2023 Bowl-a-Thon with a monetary donation of \$2,114.00 to our local Angel Tree

Vote: Bowsher, Swank, Giesige, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.

RESOLUTION #2023-238 ADOPTED

Lyn Bowsher moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to accept the donation from Edgerton Area Foundation in the amount of \$6,689 for the book vending machine that was unveiled at family fun night. *Vote: Bowsher, Swank, Giesige, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-239 ADOPTED

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Lyn Bowsher moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to accept a donation from Jeff Slesman in the amount of \$40.00 to the students in need fund. *Vote: Bowsher, Swank, Giesige, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-240 ADOPTED

Bill Swank moved, seconded by Nick Hug, to approve the current NwOESC sub-lists:

- Paraprofessionals
- Teachers

Vote: Swank, Hug, Bowsher, Giesige, Siebenaler-yes.

RESOLUTION #2023-241 ADOPTED

Bill Swank moved, seconded by Nick Hug, to accept the resignation of Zachary Hines, band director, effective January 1, 2024. *Vote: Swank, Hug, Bowsher, Giesige, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-242 ADOPTED

Elementary Principal Brett Grieser gave his report and Middle School/High School Principal Ben Wilhelm have his report.

Amanda Giesige moved, seconded by Bill Swank, to go into executive session for the purpose of Personnel Employment and Conferences with an attorney involving pending or imminent court action. *Vote: Giesige, Swank, Bowsher, Hug, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-243 ADOPTED

Members Giesige, Swank, Bowsher, Hug, and Siebenaler along with Mr. Blakely, went into executive session at 7:24 p.m. The same five members returned from executive session at 9:34 p.m.

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Nick Hug moved, seconded by Lyn Bowsher, to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. *Vote: Hug, Bowsher, Giesige, Swank, Siebenaler-yes.*

RESOLUTION #2023-244 ADOPTED

PRESIDENT

TREASURER/CFO