

**Mapleton Local School District  
Board of Education Regular Board Meeting**

**Mapleton Middle School Music Room  
December 17, 2013 7:30 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Donley called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:31 p.m. at the Mapleton Middle School Music Room.  
The roll was called: Mr. Grundy, Present; Mr. Puster, Present; Mrs. Ragle, Present; Mr. Walter, Present; Mr. Donley, Present.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**A. Martha Buckner** - Ashland Public Library – Discussed establishing a joint venture between the school district and the Ashland Public Library to make library resources available to the students of the district

**B. Rod Hopton** – Discussed technology upgrades to improve wireless capabilities throughout the district

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS**

Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 25, 2013, and in the absence of any corrections approve as written.

**Vote:** Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes.  
Motion Carried.

**IV. TREASURER'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**A. Financial Report** – Mr. Puster motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter to accept the November, 2013 Financial Report as presented.

**Discussion:** Mrs. Ragle asked about the payment to NEOLA, who maintained our prior policy manual.

**Vote:** Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes.  
Motion Carried.

**B. Organizational Meeting** – Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter to set the date for the Organizational Meeting for Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. The Regular Meeting will be held immediately following. The meetings will be held in the Middle School Music Room.

**Vote:** Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Puster, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes.  
Motion Carried.

**C. President pro-tempore-** Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter to approve the appointment of **Tom Donley** as president pro-tempore for the January Organizational Meeting until a new president is elected.

**Vote:** Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Puster, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes.  
Motion Carried.

**V. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Administrative Reports**

1. Elementary: Mrs. Kunisch
2. Middle School: not given
3. High School: not given

**B. Board Reports (none given)**

1. OSBA
2. Career Center
3. Legislative
4. Board of Education Advisory Committee
5. Athletic Council

**VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**A. Employment – Supplemental**

1. Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter to approve the following supplemental contracts for FY14 pending receipt of Pupil Activity Permit (if required).

**Jodi Heath** – H.S. Assistant Softball Coach Gr V 0 yrs \$2,470.00

**Vote:** Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Puster, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes.  
Motion Carried.

**B. Employment - Supplemental**

1. Mr. Puster motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter to approve the following supplemental Pupil Activity Contracts for FY14 pending receipt of Pupil Activity Permits (if required):

**Dennis Edwards** – Freshman Girls Basketball Coach Gr V 0 yrs \$2,470.00

**Discussion:** Mr. Puster commented that head coaches need to set their staff earlier in the process so coaches are not being approved after the start of the season.

**Vote:** Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes. Motion Carried.

**C. Employment - Supplemental**

1. Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to approve the following supplemental contracts for FY14:

**Kyle Clark** – Home Bound Tutor \$10.50/hour

**Vote:** Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes. Motion Carried.

**D. Employment - Volunteers**

1. Mr. Puster motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter to approve the following volunteers pending receipt of their Pupil Activity Permits and paperwork for FY14.

**Jeff Galbraith** MHS Boys Basketball

**James Braun** MHS Girls Softball

**Katie Paramore** MHS Girls Softball

**Vote:** Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes. Motion Carried.

**E. Employment – Substitute**

1. Mrs. Ragle motioned, seconded by Mr. Grundy to approve the following classified substitutes for FY14:

**Andrew Derrick**

**Vote:** Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes. Motion Carried.

**F. Employment – Classified**

1. Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mr. Puster to accept the resignation of the following bus driver effective February 8, 2014.

**Thomas Price**

**Vote:** Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes. Motion Carried.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A.** Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to accept the following donations for November 2013:

**FFA Donation** – \$20

**Vote:** Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes. Motion Carried.

**B.** Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to approve the following Ashland University student teachers:

**Rachael Beattie** – Raymond Kowatch, Mentor

**Rachael Beattie** – Deana Hawk, Mentor

**Jake Wright** – Raymond Kowatch, Mentor

**Jake Wright** – Deana Hawk, Mentor

**Shelby Emmons** – Brandy Smith, Mentor

**Nicole Dressler** – Kristen Leiby, Mentor

**Nicole Dressler** – Robin Kaiser, Mentor

**Vote:** Mr. Walter, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes. Motion Carried.

**C.** Mr. Puster motioned, seconded by Mr. Grundy to approve the purchase of 2014 Ford E150 Standard National Wheelchair Van Rear Load for \$33,653.50.

**Vote:** Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes. Motion Carried.

**VIII. Items for Discussion**

**1. Policies regarding youth sports**

**Discussion:** A review of the current policy was given by Mr. Russomanno. Main issue is whether to formally recognize these groups or not and what type of liability coverage is in place for the district in each situation. If the district recognizes the group, the teams affiliated with that group need to be treated the same as if they are a school team. Mr. Hopton expressed his opinion that the district should not recognize these groups and allow the organizations running the programs to be responsible for parent behavior in these programs. Mr. Grundy stated that he would like the board to retain the ability to control who is coaching our youth sports teams. Todd Barr informed the board as to how the youth football league handles their coaches. The head coaches are required to pass a background check and obtain CPR and First Aid certification. Assistant coaches are required to pass a background check. The league has a governing body, with each coach having a vote. Mr. Grundy expressed concerns in what kind of continuity would exist without the district being involved.as coaches came in and out of the program. Other issues to consider is whether any district involvement would need to be addressed in the negotiated agreements and who should have control over how the league is run, the district or the league itself.

**2. Review of current Five-Year Forecast**

**Discussion:** Mr. Russomanno reviewed the current forecast and an extended discussion of levy possibilities took place.

Prior to adjournment, the board thanked Mr. Puster for his 8 years of service to the district as a board member.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle, to adjourn.

**Vote:** Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Puster, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes.  
Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

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President

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Treasurer

Minutes Approved \_\_\_\_\_