

**Mapleton Local School District  
Board of Education Organizational, Budget and Regular Meeting**

**Mapleton Middle School Music Room  
January 12, 2015  
6:30 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Tom Donley, President Pro Tempore, called the Organizational meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:35 p.m. at Mapleton Middle School Music Room.

**The roll was called:**

Mr. Grundy, Present; Mrs. Ragle, Present; Mr. Walter, Present; Mr. Welch, Present; Mr. Donley, Present.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Any member of the Board of Education may nominate another member of the Board for office. A member may also nominate him or her self. Nominations do not require seconds. If more than one person is nominated for president or vice-president, the Treasurer shall publicly call the roll of the Board and ask members to vote their choice. (Ohio law requires a majority vote of all members to elect an officer.)

**A. Election of President of the Board (No Second Required):** Mr. Welch nominated **Mr. Grundy**. Mr. Welch motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter to close nominations for Mapleton Board President.

**Vote to Close Nominations:** Mr. Welch, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes. Motion Carried.

**Mr. Grundy** was given the Oath of Office for President of the Mapleton Board of Education.

**B. Election of Vice-President of the Board (No Second Required):** Mr. Walter nominated **Mrs. Ragle**. Mr. Welch motioned, seconded by Mr. Grundy to close nominations for Mapleton Board Vice-President.

**Vote to Close Nominations:** Mr. Welch, Yes; Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes. Motion Carried.

**Mrs. Ragle** was given the Oath of Office for Vice-President of the Mapleton Board of Education.

**IV. ESTABLISH MEETING DATES/TIMES/LOCATION**

Mrs. Ragle motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter to establish the following Regular Board Meeting schedule for 2015. Meetings will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Mapleton Middle School Music Room. Any change in the date, time, and location will be published in the designated newspaper. Additional meetings may be scheduled by the Board of Education at a time and place properly announced.

February 9, 2015	August 17, 2015
March 16, 2015	September 21, 2015
April 20, 2015	October 19, 2015
May 18, 2015	November 16, 2015
June 15, 2015	December 14, 2015
July 20, 2015	

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

**V. APPOINT COMMITTEES AND ASSIGN REPRESENTATIVES**

Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mr. Welch to appoint the following Board members to fill the Standing Committee assignments for the 2015 calendar year:

A. Ashland Co.-W. Holmes C.C. Representative:	Tom Donley
B. OSBA Legislative Liaison:	Colleen Ragle
C. OSBA Legislative Liaison Alternate:	Mark Walter
D. Board Advisory Committee:	not filled at this time

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

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to adopt authorizations A-I to allow for efficient financial management and full execution of duties by the Treasurer, Board of Education President and the Superintendent:

- A. Advances on Tax Settlement:** authorize the Treasurer to secure advances from the auditor when funds are available and payable to Mapleton Local School District.
- B. Investment of Inactive Funds:** authorize the Treasurer to invest inactive funds in financial institutions at the most productive interest rate whenever inactive funds are available.
- C. Payment of Bills:** authorize the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriate resolutions as bills are received for services rendered or materials received.
- D. Suspension/Expulsion Hearing Designee:** appoint the Superintendent as designee to handle suspension/expulsion hearings
- E. Authorize Signature of the Treasurer:** designate the Treasurer as the official signer (by hand or mechanical facsimile signature) of all legal documents and/or expenditures of funds on behalf of the Board of Education for calendar year 2015.
- F. Purchasing Agent:** appoint the Superintendent as the purchasing agent for the district authorized for purchases up to \$10,000.00 without Board approval for calendar year 2015.
- G. Employment of Temporary/Emergency Personnel:** authorize the Superintendent to employ such temporary personnel as are needed for emergency situations for calendar year 2015. Such temporary employments will be presented for approval by the Board at the next regularly scheduled meeting.
- H. Accept/participate in Federal, State or Local Grants and Agreements:** authorize the Treasurer and Superintendent to enter into and/or accept/participate in Federal, State or Local Grants or agreements and authorize the Treasurer to appropriate funds for the grants awarded.
- I. Blanket purchase orders:** authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to ORC 5705.41 (D), to issue "blanket" purchase orders (certificates) not to exceed \$40,000.  
**Vote:** Mr. Grundy, Yes, Mrs. Ragle, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes; Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Welch, Yes. Motion Carried.

**VII. SERVICE FUND**

Mrs. Ragle motioned, seconded by Mr. Welch to authorize the Treasurer to establish the Board Service Fund in the General Fund, in the amount of \$2,500.00 (ORC states "not to exceed \$2.00 per student or \$20,000.00, whichever is greater") for the purpose of paying expenses of the Board of Education for calendar year 2015 (ORC 3315.15). Due to the current balance in this fund being over \$2,500, no transfer will be made at this time.

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

**VIII. BORROWING AUTHORITY**

Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mr. Welch to authorize the Treasurer and the Board of Education President to borrow funds, if needed, within the limitations established by state and federal law.

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

**IX. CONSULTING SERVICE AND PURCHASING CONTRACTS**

Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to authorize the Treasurer and Superintendent to enter into consulting service and purchasing contracts up to the amount allowed by law.

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

**X. DESIGNATE LOCAL NEWSPAPER**

Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter to designate the Ashland Times Gazette as the Mapleton Local School District official newspaper.

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

**XI. RESIGNATIONS**

Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mr. Grundy to authorize the Superintendent, on behalf of the Board, to accept the resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session, subject to ratification by the Board; upon ratification by the Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.

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

**XII. LEGAL COUNSEL**

Mrs. Ragle motioned, seconded by Mr. Grundy to approve retaining the following law firms for the calendar year 2015:

Pepple & Waggoner, LTD., 5005 Rockside Road, Suite 260, Cleveland, OH 44131

at a rate of \$190.00 per hour for junior associates to \$290.00 per hour for senior attorneys for legal services.

Dinsmore & Stohl, 65 E. State St., Suite 500, Columbus, OH 43215

Rates are variable, depending on service provided.

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

**XIII. INSURANCE FOR BOARD MEMBERS**

Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mr. Welch to approve providing health insurance for Board members, if requested. Board members will reimburse the district for the cost of this insurance.

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

**XIV. PUBLIC RECORDS TRAINING**

Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to approve the Treasurer as designee, or other designees as appointed by the Treasurer, to attend Public Records Training on behalf of the Board of Education members as required by ORC 109.43.

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

**XV. OSBA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mr. Welch to approve the Ohio School Boards Association membership renewal for the 2015 calendar year, in the amount of \$3,158.00, plus \$150.00 for the annual newsletter (electronic version) subscriptions.

**Vote:** Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Welch, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes; Mr. Grundy, Yes; Mrs. Ragle, No.  
Motion Carried.

**XVI. OSBA LEGAL ASSISTANCE**

Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mr. Welch to approve a contract for the 2015 calendar year with OSBA (Ohio School Board's Association) Legal Assistance Fund Consultant Service for the amount of \$250.00.

**Vote:** Mr. Walter, Yes; Mr. Welch, Yes; Mr. Donley, Yes; Mr. Grundy, No; Mrs. Ragle, No.  
Motion Carried.

**XVII. REVIEW OF FISCAL YEAR 2016 TAX BUDGET**

The Public Budget Hearing for Review of the Fiscal Year 2016 Tax Budget was conducted by the treasurer.

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

A. Richard Grilley – update on work the churches have been doing within the district

B. Lisa Bowersock, Technology department – Web Site update

C. January is School Board Recognition month: Mr. Hopton presented certificates to members.

**XIV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS**

Mr. Donley motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular meeting held on December 15, 2014, and in the absence of any corrections approve as written.

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

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

**A. Financial Report** – Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mr. Donley to accept the December, 2014 Financial Report as presented.

**Discussion:** Mr. Welch questioned the payment to the district's E-rate consultant.

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

**B. Resolution 1-15-1**

Whereas the Mapleton Local School Board of Education conducted a public hearing on January 12, 2015 and has examined the proposed July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 budget, it is moved by Mr. Donley, seconded by Mrs. Ragle, that the proposed budget be adopted and certified to the Ashland County Auditor on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015.

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

**XXI. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS (None given)**

**A. Board Reports**

1. OSBA
2. Career Center
3. Legislative
4. Athletic Council

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

**A. Employment – Resignation**

1. Mr. Grundy motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to accept the resignation of **Ann Bakos**, Payroll Coordinator for Mapleton Local School District effective January 1, 2015.

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

**B. Employment – Supplemental**

1. Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mr. Donley to approve the following supplemental contracts for FY15:

<b>Morgan Lengacher</b>	H.S Head Softball Coach	Gr IV, Step 5	\$4,053.92
<b>Jose Ortiz</b>	Junior High Track Coach	Gr VI, Step 8	\$3,118.40
<b>Kyle Clark</b>	Junior High Track Coach	Gr VI, Step 1	\$2,182.88
<b>Joshua Olin</b>	H.S. Head Coach, Boys and Girls	Gr III, Step 13	\$5,301.28
<b>Matthew Kidney</b>	H.S. Head Baseball Coach	Gr IV, Step 0	\$3,430.24
<b>Corey Kline</b>	H.S. Assistant Baseball Coach	Gr V, Step 0	\$2,494.72

**Discussion:** Mrs. Ragle questioned whether we have had 2 junior high track coaches in the past.

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

**C. Employment – Volunteer/Pupil Activity Permit**

1. Mr. Donley motioned, seconded by Mr. Welch to approve the following ~~supplemental contract~~ **volunteer** for FY15:

**James Braun** H.S. Assistant Softball Coach

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

**XXIII. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A.** Mr. Walter motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to accept the following donations for December 2014:

Walmart Giving	Environmental Science	\$1,500.00
Ashland County Fair	Industrial Arts Club	\$20.00

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

**B.** Mrs. Ragle motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter to approve the following Student Trips:

MHS–Anthony Bunt, Environmental Science, Stone Laboratory, Lake Erie, Put-In-Bay, April 27, 2015.

MHS–FFA, Farm Machinery Show, Louisville, Kentucky, February 12-14, 2015.

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

**C. Employment – Administrative (from agenda addendum)**

Mr. Donley motioned, seconded by Mrs. Ragle to approve an addendum to the Superintendent's contract changing the end date from 7/31/15 to 7/31/17.

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

**XXIV. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

Mr. Hopton led a discussion regarding the maintenance contract proposal from CCG Energy for our energy upgrades and monitoring systems.

**XXV. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Donley motioned, seconded by Mr. Walter, to adjourn.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

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President

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Treasurer

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