The Liberty Center Local Board of Education met in regular session beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center with board members Jeff Benson, Tim Bowers, Neal Carter, Todd Spangler, and John Weaver present.

#19-17 Approve Minutes

The motion was made by Mr. Benson and seconded by Mr. Spangler to accept the minutes of the Organizational/Regular meeting of the Liberty Center Board of Education held on January 9, 2017.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Benson, Mr. Bowers, Mr. Carter, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver

Nays: None - Motion Carried

#20-17 CFO/Treasurer's Consent Agenda

Upon the recommendation of the Treasurer, the motion was made by Mr. Bowers and seconded by Mr. Carter that the board approves the Treasurer's Consent Agenda items as follows:

Approve the financial reports, including the following:

Monthly Bank Reconciliation

FIN SUM

Check Register

Investment Report

Budget to Actual

Accept with Thanks the following donations:

\$150.00 from Campbell's Labels for Education to purchase playground equipment

\$100.00 in Memory of Margaret Leupp for upkeep of the Track at the Spring Sports Complex

\$30.00 in Memory of Margaret Leupp for the Athletic Department

\$2,500.00 from Glenn and Suzanne Hunter for the Sports Complex

Approve the appropriation modifications as follows:

New Fund: 300 951 M

Special Cost Center: Football Mom's Group

New Fund: 022 9522

Special Cost Center: Bowling Tournament Fund

Approve the resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission, and authorizing the necessary tax levies, and certifying them to the County Auditor.

Approve the agreement with the Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board (NwOESC) for services beginning on July 1, 2017 and terminating on June 30, 2018 for a total cost of \$456,304.00.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Bowers, Mr. Carter, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Benson, Mr. Weaver

Nays: None - Motion Carried

Principals' Reports

Mr. Larry Black, High School Principal, reported:

• Six students were chosen to participate in the OMEA Honors Choir on February 12th at the Stranahan Theater in Toledo. These students were Sophomores-Lydia Murrey, Emma Bowers, and Damion Ball, Juniors- Sam McMaster, Jake Woessner and Senior, Morgan Richardson.

- The High School Musical will be April 28, 29 and May 2. The show will be *Honk*, a version of *The Ugly Duckling*. Auditions were held on February 15 and 17.
- Wrestling finished as the regional runner-up in the OHSAA team Dual Tournament and finished third as a team at the NWOAL Tournament. Sectionals begin Friday at Archbold.
- Students have picked classes for next year and the master schedule is being created.
- Girls' basketball begins tournament play tonight at Springfield against Evergreen. Boys' basketball begins tournament play on March 3rd at Defiance against Liberty Benton.
- Bowling Sectionals were in Napoleon last weekend. The Lady Tiger Bowlers finished second and qualified for the Districts at Rossford. The boys finished the season Saturday at Sectionals.
- The District Gymnastics meet is Friday at BGSU in Anderson Arena.
- Today was a teacher professional development day. The high school teachers worked on curriculum alignment and collaborated.

Dr. Marcia Rozevink, Middle School Principal, reported:

- The 7th grade girls' basketball team won the NWOAL Championship on Saturday, Feb. 11th with a 28-16 win over Bryan.
- The annual Spelling Bee was held on February 1st with 6th grader, Julian Shoemaker as the winner; Reese Kessler, 5th grader, was the Runner-up.
- The 7th and 8th grade choirs will perform on Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m.
- Friday, March 10th there will be a Jr. High Dance from 3:10-5:10 p.m. in the Jr. High Gym, with Mr. Oberhaus in charge.
- On March 13th there is a parent/student meeting for everyone going on the Washington, D.C. trip. Dr. Rozevink said she will also be going on the trip.
- On March 20th there will be a meeting for the volunteer chaperones who will be going to Camp Willson. Dr. Rozevink will be attending camp for a day, also.
- Grades 5 and 6 will begin to implement the Response to Intervention (RTI) process next year. Today, during professional development, teachers worked on gifted webinars and curriculum alignment, along with selecting resources for the science department.
- Some teachers will begin a book study of *The Growth Mindset Coach: A Teacher's Month-by-Month Handbook for Empowering Students to Achieve*. The book preview says, "This book was created by teachers for teachers and is the ultimate guide for unleashing students' potential through creative lessons, empowering messages and innovative teaching".
- Testing begins in the Middle School on March 28 and will conclude by May 12.
- Students of the month for January were: 5th grade- Hanson Saneholtz, Shalyn Findling 6th grade-Peyton Armey, Alan Smith, 7th grade-Breana Jensen, Camren Foster, 8th grade-Isabella Crockett, Derreck Maunz. Students of the month for February are: 5th grade-Collin Reyes, Maryn Findling, 6th grade-Alyssa Giesige, Logan Jones, 7th grade-Alexis Watkins, Jesse Noll, 8th grade-Dylan Matthews, Lauren Burghardt.

Mrs. Kelly Hartbarger, Elementary Principal, reported:

• Family Literacy Night will be held on March 9th from 6:00-7:30 p.m. The theme for the night is "Camping Out with a Good Book". This will be a great night of fun and prizes! David Slonin, author of, *He Came with the Couch*, will be visiting and holding activities with the students and their families.

Meals are available for purchase through Rusty's Road Trip, a food truck that specializes in a variety of grilled cheese sandwiches, macaroni and cheese, fish sandwiches, soups, and other tasty treats. Dinner will be available beginning at 5:30 p.m.

- Right to Read Week is the week of March 6th, with a variety of literacy-based activities planned. Also, the annual Book Fair will be held that week during school time, as well as, during the evening of March 9th, during Family Literacy Night.
- Also, in conjunction with Family Literacy Night, will be the Elementary and Middle School Art Show on March 9th from 5:30 -7:30 p.m. Mrs. Evans' students will display their artistic talents during this event.
- The Elementary has again partnered with the Four County Family Center to provide the Families and Schools Together (FAST) program. This program consists of a weekly meeting, including a family style dinner. After dinner, families work on family bonding activities that help build communication and cohesiveness within the family unit. Special thanks to the ADAMHS Board for sponsoring this event.
- Liberty Center Schools will be working in conjunction with the Liberty Center Public Library to put digital text into the hands of all students. Students will get a library card that will allow them access to the Ohio Digital Library. The Ohio Digital Library is the fifth largest library of its kind in the world. Students will have access to text in digital form, as well as, read aloud audio versions, and a variety of other accessibility features.

Superintendent's Report- Dr. Tod Hug

Dr. Hug explained the proposed 2017-18 school calendar. He also reported that the bid package for the next phase of the new building would be presented to the board at the March board meeting. This bid will include costs for loose furnishings, technology equipment, and the bus garage construction. Additionally, Dr. Hug discussed the release of Gov. John Kasich's proposed budget on school funding. He said if the budget passes as is, Liberty Center would lose \$257,000 a year for two years.

Facilities Report-Mr. Todd Spangler and Mr. Neal Carter

Mr. Carter reported that he and Mr. Spangler recently did a walk-through of the new facility. He said the drywall is going up in the offices and the inside block is being painted. Additionally, the outside painting will start as soon as the weather warms up and the terrazzo floor installation is scheduled for April.

#21-17 Superintendent's Consent Agenda

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the motion was made by Mr. Benson and seconded by Mr. Carter that the Board approves the Superintendent's Consent Agenda items as follows:

Approve Option #3 as the 2017-18 school calendar and the LEC's 2017-18 school calendar

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Carter, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Benson, Mr. Bowers, Mr. Weaver

Nays: None - Motion Carried

#22-17 Personnel Recommendations

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the motion was made by Mr. Bowers and seconded by Mr. Spangler that the Board approves the Superintendent's Consent Agenda items as follows:

Approve having Indoor Track for the 2017 track season with Matt Bryan as the volunteer coach.

Approve the following individuals as volunteers to the sport indicated for the 2016-17 school year, pending completion of all necessary paperwork:

Chris Righi-Baseball

Offer the following certified individuals each a one-year limited contract for the supplemental position indicated for the 2016-17 school year. His/her salary will be per the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement's Salary Schedule:

Heather Underwood-District Mentor (Additional Contract)

Kathy Bailey-District Mentor (Additional Contract)

Ryan Miller-Assistant (JV) Baseball Coach

Nick Riley-Pit Band Director

Mary Chamberlin-Assistant Musical Director (50%)

Approve the following individuals as volunteer chaperones to the 6th Grade Camp Willson trip in 2017, pending completion of all necessary paperwork:

Dave Brink

Bonnie Mock

Tara Stark

Kerry Krugh

Duncan Kline

Angie Chapa

Offer Kim Maneval a continuing contract as a custodian, effective February 19, 2017. Her salary will be per the Liberty Center Local Schools OAPSE Negotiated Agreement's Custodian Salary Schedule. Her benefits will also be per the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

Approve advancing Kaitlyn Goble to the Masters Column on the LCCTA Certified Salary Schedule, effective retroactively to the start of second semester, January 14, 2017.

Approve the following individuals as volunteer chaperones to the Washington, D.C. trip from June 1-4, 2017, pending completion of all necessary paperwork:

Jamie Cramer

Heather Garretson

Amy Herrick

Tricia Jeffers

John Jones

Michelle Kern

Susan Leasor

Tammy Oelkrug

Jennifer Perry

Brian Shook

June Smith

Tammy Tonjes

Offer Heather Garretson a two-year contract as a secretary, starting March 22, 2017 through March 21, 2019. Her salary will be per the Liberty Center Local Schools OAPSE Negotiated Agreement's Secretary Salary Schedule. Her benefits will also be per the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Benson, Mr. Bowers, Mr. Carter, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver

Nays: None - Motion Carried

Board Members' Committee Reports

Education Foundation Report- Mr. Jeff Benson

Mr. Benson reported that the Liberty Center Education Foundation met on Feb. 1. The group discussed selling bricks from the old school building, as well as new sidewalk pavers with patrons' names on them. Mr. Benson also said the foundation will soon be starting an extensive membership campaign.

#23-17 Executive Session

The motion was made by Mr. Benson and seconded by Mr. Spangler that the Board enter Executive Session at 7:38 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official. Dr. Tod Hug left Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. and returned at 8:10 p.m.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Benson, Mr. Bowers, Mr. Carter, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver

Nays: None - Motion Carried

The board returned from Executive Session at 8:10 p.m.

#24-17 Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Spangler and seconded by Mr. Benson to adjourn the February 20, 2017 regular meeting of the Liberty Center Local Board of Education at 8:11p.m.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Bowers, Mr. Benson, Mr. Carter, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver

Nays: None - Motion Carried

resident, John Weaver

Treasurer/CFO, Jenell M. Buenger

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