

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Liberty Center Local Schools Regular Board Meeting
March 28, 2022

The Liberty Center Local Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, March 28, 2022 at 7:01 p.m. in the Board Room. Board members Mr. Jeff Benson, Mr. Neal Carter, Mr. Todd Spangler, Mr. John Weaver and Mrs. Andi Zacharias were in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Pohlman, Athletic Director, commended and recognized winter sport athletes.

Mrs. Righi, Elementary Guidance Counselor, introduced The Amazing Shake Finalists: Alana Naveau, Emma Schroeder, Bryce Miller, Trinity Oberhauser and Ben Schwab. Mrs. Righi provided an overview of the program.

#29-22 Approve Minutes

The motion was made by Mr. Weaver and seconded by Mr. Benson to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 28, 2022 of the Liberty Center Board of Education.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Benson, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver, Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Carter
Nays: None – Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Buenger reviewed her consent agenda items. She reported on the regular monthly reports. She informed the Board a CD came due in March at Hamler State Bank. With the projected interest rate increases in the future, she reinvested the money at Hamler State Bank at .14% for three months. She also explained the depository agreement with Premier Bank. The District had an agreement with First Federal Bank that expired in 2021. She did not renew the agreement because the District did not bank with them at the time. Since then, First Federal Bank merged with another bank and is now Premier Bank. Mr. Doug Blackwood contacted Mrs. Buenger a few weeks ago to offer the bank's services. Premier Bank offers an investment account similar to what the District has with Star Ohio. Mrs. Buenger plans to invest funds with Premier Bank as their interest rate will be two basis points higher than Star Ohio. This will also provide an opportunity for the District to become more diversified.

Mrs. Buenger explained the internet service agreement and managed internal broadband service agreement, both with NWOCA. The internet service agreement covers the District's basic internet service and is eligible for E-rate. The managed internal broadband service agreement covers broadband services and includes the lease, installation, operation and management of monitoring. This is also E-rate eligible.

#30-22 CFO/Treasurer's Consent Agenda

Upon the recommendation of the Treasurer, the motion was made by Mrs. Zacharias and seconded by Mr. Spangler that the Board approve the Treasurer's Consent Agenda items as follows:

Approve the financial reports, including the following:

- Monthly Bank Reconciliation
- Cash Summary Report
- Disbursement Summary Report
- Investment Report
- Budget vs. Actual

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Approve the following donations:

LC Athletic Boosters	State Bowling Expenses	\$1,620.00
LC Athletic Boosters	Scorer's Table for Gymnasium	\$3,300.00
LC Athletic Boosters	Sportzcast	\$519.00
Fessenden Hardware	Bowling Team	\$100.00

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver, Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Benson, Mr. Carter
Nays: None – Motion Carried

Principals' Reports

Elementary

Ms. Postl provided an elementary update. There were over 400 in attendance at the STEM/Literacy Night. The PTO Pancake dinner was also a success. It was a slow process to get the pancakes, but it was well attended and a fun evening. The PTO coffee fundraiser ends this week. Students will help label the Tiger Fuel bags in early April. Ms. Postl also congratulated the Amazing Shake finalists: Alana Naveau, Emma Schroeder, Bryce Miller, Trinity Oberhauser and Ben Schwab.

Middle School

Mr. Storrer informed the Board of events and activities in the middle school. On March 9th, Mr. Doseck and Mrs. Jones took a group of 25 female students from the middle school to the University of Toledo School of Engineering. They learned about various careers within engineering, participated in different hands-on activities with UT students and heard from current engineers in the workforce.

The third quarter assembly was held last week. The middle school honored principal list and honor roll recipients, MS OAC State Wrestlers, MS Chess Club and MS Archery members. The student council organized games for friendly competition between grade levels.

Mr. Storrer noted an increase in SEL issues in the middle school. They are working with students, parents and local agencies to help meet the needs of students. Lastly, Mr. Storrer informed the Board the eighth-grade students have completed career testing and are meeting with counselors to advise on course offerings that align with career goals.

High School

Mr. Radwan updated the Board on the high school. Spring testing begins next week. The FFA was able to hold the first in person banquet in three years last week. He also informed the Board Mr. Mohler will be joining the high school staff next year as a high school social studies teacher. Additionally, there will be 11 new elective courses offered at the high school for the 2022-23 school year, including Intro to Psychology/Sociology, Strength and Conditioning, Freshman Seminar, Leadership and Community Engagement, Drama and Theater and Business Computer Applications.

The Spring band concert will be on May 17th. The musical production of *Annie* will be on April 7-9, 2022. More information will be forthcoming. Lastly, Mr. Radwan noted the spring sports season has begun and the District is looking forward to continued success.

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Athletic Director's Report

Mr. Pohlman updated the Board on athletics. He highlighted the success of the boys and girls bowling teams, both placing 4th at State. He also congratulated the five State wrestling qualifiers and Calla Oelkrug for placing 8th at State on beam.

Mr. Pohlman informed the Board the new weight equipment was delivered and unloaded by the custodians and a few high school student athletes last Thursday. It was then assembled and the track team assisted in moving some of the already received weights into the weight room. Both the track and football teams have taken advantage of the new weight room. By installing the lockers and weight equipment in house, the District saved over \$18,000.

Mr. Pohlman provided information on the success of the Athletic Booster Night at the Races. It was very well attended. The goal of the Boosters is to host the event again in the future. Mr. Pohlman also discussed the continued work on GMP3 of the building project. He reminded the Board the varsity gym will be out of commission all summer. Lastly, Mr. Pohlman congratulated Evan Conrad on competing in the District 7 all-star basketball game and Owen Johnson on being selected to play in the North/South football game.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Peters informed the Board the next Senior Citizen Breakfast will be Thursday, March 31st at 8:30 a.m. in the Auditoria. He thanked Mr. Pohlman for his work throughout the winter sports season. Mr. Peters recognized and congratulated winter sport athletes.

Mr. Peters provided an update on GMP3. The pre-bid meeting was held last Tuesday. Due to the number of questions from the contractors and wanting to ensure the District gets the best, most reliable bids, the deadline was extended to March 30th. The budget for GMP3 is approximately \$925,000. The areas being remodeled include the gym, locker rooms and restrooms. The alternate areas are the hallways. Once completed, the District will have completed \$4 million in projects without having to go to the tax payers or using money from the General Fund. He noted that work is expected to begin on April 4th.

Mr. Peters also highlighted three items the Facility Committee is working to develop long-term plans for – resurfacing the track, replacing the roof on the 1995 building and replacing the turf football field when needed.

#31-22 Superintendent's Consent Agenda

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

Approve membership in the Henry County Chamber of Commerce beginning March 1, 2022 and ending February 28, 2023 at a cost of \$100.00.

Approve the following new and amended board policies:

#1520	#1616	#2271	#5511	#5772
#6110	#6114	#6325	#6423	#7217
#8500				

Approve FFA students and teachers for an overnight trip to attend the FFA Convention in Columbus, Ohio from May 5-6, 2022.

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Commend the Girls' Bowling Team for placing 4th at State: Maddie Amstutz, Audrey Bowers, Riley Garretson, Jensen Sonnenberg, AJ Seedorf, Arianna Smith, Hannah Roth and Gwyn Murrey.

Commend the Boys' Bowling Team for placing 4th at State: Landon Amstutz, Jacob Sexton, Tim Blanton, Cole Roth, Cody McDougle, Joey Wymer, Alan Blair and Blake Hagen.

Commend Landon Amstutz on achieving All-State in Bowling.

Commend Calla Oelkrug for placing 8th at State in Gymnastics.

Commend Jackson Bartels for being a State Qualifier.

Commend Owen Johnson for placing 7th at State in Wrestling.

Commend Camren Foster for placing 8th at State in Wrestling.

Commend Owen Box for placing 8th at State in Wrestling.

Commend Zander Myers for placing 5th at State in Wrestling

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Weaver, Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Benson, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Carter
Nays: None – Motion Carried

#32-22 Superintendent's Personnel Recommendations

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

Approve the NwOESC substitute teacher and paraprofessional list, as presented for the 2021-22 school year, to obtain substitute teachers and paraprofessionals.

Approve the following individual as a Substitute Teacher for the 2021-22 school year with the Non-Bachelors 1 Year Temporary License:

Samantha Thompson

Approve Steve Pieracini as a chaperone for the 6th Grade Camp Willson trip, pending completion of all necessary paperwork.

Approve the following staff transfers for the 2022-23 school year:

Casey Mohler from 7th Grade Social Studies to High School Social Studies
Liz Halleck from 8th Grade Social Studies to 7th Grade Social Studies

Approve Thomas Mohler as a softball volunteer for the 2021-22 school year, contingent upon completion of all necessary paperwork.

Accept the retirement resignation of Karen Rettig, Classroom Teacher, effective May 31, 2022.

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Whereas the Board of Education has offered and advertised the following supplemental position per ORC 3313.53, and received no interested or qualified licensed employees, move to offer the following non-certified individuals each a one-year supplemental contract for the position indicated for the 2021-22 school year, pending completion of all necessary paperwork with salary as stipulated per the LCCTA Negotiated Agreement:

Dennis Spade – Assistant Track Coach

Approve the following volunteer for the activity indicated for the 2021-22 school year, contingent upon the completion of all necessary paperwork:

Larry Spade – Volunteer Junior High Track Coach

VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Benson, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Carter
Nays: None – Motion Carried

#33-22 Depository Agreement – Premier Bank

Upon the recommendation of the Treasurer, the motion was made by Mr. Weaver and seconded by Mr. Spangler to enter into a Depository Agreement with Premier Bank for a period of five years, beginning March 28, 2022 through March 27, 2027.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Benson, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver, Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Carter
Nays: None – Motion Carried

#34-22 Amendment to Professional Services Agreement

The motion was made by Mrs. Zacharias and seconded by Mr. Benson to ratify the amendment to the professional services agreement with Garmann Miller & Associates.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver, Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Benson, Mr. Carter
Nays: None – Motion Carried

#35-22 Memorandum of Understanding with Mercy Health Physicians

The motion was made by Mr. Spangler and seconded by Mrs. Zacharias to ratify the Memorandum of Understanding with Mercy Health Physicians for student athlete drug testing services.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Weaver, Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Benson, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Carter
Nays: None – Motion Carried

#36-22 Internet Service Agreement

The motion was made by Mr. Weaver and seconded by Mr. Spangler to ratify the Internet Service Agreement with NBEC/NWOCA effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2026 at a cost of \$35,087.91 in FY23, and an estimated cost of \$36,140.55 in FY24, \$37,224.76 in FY25 and \$38,341.51 in FY26.

VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Benson, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Carter

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#37-22 Managed Internal Broadband Service Agreement

The motion was made by Mr. Benson and seconded by Mr. Spangler to ratify the Managed Internal Broadband Services Agreement with NBEC/NWOCA effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027 at an annual cost of \$26,307.54.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Benson, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver, Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Carter

New Business

The next Board Meeting is April 25, 2022.

Board Members' Committee Reports

The Policy Committee met in March to review the new and amended policies.

The Facility Committee met in March to review the building project and future needs of the district.

#38-22 Executive Session

Mr. Weaver made the motion and Mr. Benson seconded the motion that the Board adjourn to executive session at 7:38 p.m. for the purpose of considering the employment of public employees of the School District and to prepare for negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees concerning compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Benson, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver, Mr. Carter
Nays: None – Motion Carried

The Board returned from executive session at 8:40 p.m.

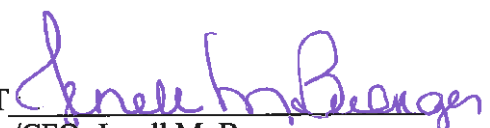
#39-22 Adjournment

Mr. Weaver made the motion and Mr. Benson seconded the motion to adjourn the March 28, 2022 regular meeting of the Liberty Center Local Board of Education at 8:41 p.m.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Benson, Mr. Spangler, Mr. Weaver, Mrs. Zacharias, Mr. Carter
Nays: None – Motion Carried



President, Neal Carter

ATTEST 

Treasurer/CFO, Jenell M. Buenger