

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Liberty Center Local Schools Regular Board Meeting
November 19, 2018

The Liberty Center Local Board of Education met in regular session beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room with board members Mr. Jeff Benson, Mr. Neal Carter, Mr. Todd Spangler, Mr. John Weaver and Mrs. Andrea Zacharias present.

Dr. Hug recognized the following guests, Richie Peters and Deputy Ryan Zumfelde, SRO. Deputy Zumfelde introduced himself to the board as the district's School Resource Officer. He has 11 years of experience and has been the DARE Officer for two years. He has now been in the district for three weeks. He has been talking with students, working with staff and looking at security within the district.

#83-18 Approve Minutes

The motion was made by Mr. Benson and seconded by Mr. Carter to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 22, 2018 of the Liberty Center Board of Education.

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

Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Buenger reported on the regular monthly reports and also included a budget to actual report this month since the Five Year Forecast was approved in October. The report showed that the district is on track for the fiscal year. She explained the increases in appropriations and amended certificate, which are due to the amended budgets. The Drama increase is for additional accompanists for the spring musical. The Cheerleaders and Spanish Club have increases due to trips they are planning. The network connectivity is Erate money the district receives each year and was not in the initial appropriations or certificate of estimated resources. She explained that this money is used to pay for a portion of the internet costs for the district.

#84-18 CFO/Treasurer's Consent Agenda

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

Approved the financial reports, including the following:

- Monthly Bank Reconciliation
- FIN SUM
- Check Register
- Investment Report
- Budget vs. Actual

Approved the following Appropriation Modifications and Amended Certificate Increases:

Increase Appropriations

300 913A	Drama Fund	\$6,500.00
451 9501	Network Connectivity	\$5,400.00
300 955D	Cheerleader Fund	\$23,000.00
200 925A	Spanish Club	\$106,000.00

Increase Amended Certificate

451 9501	Network Connectivity	\$5,400.00
300 955D	Cheerleader Fund	\$25,500.00

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200 925A

Spanish Club

\$107,000.00

Approved the following amended student activity budgets for the 2018-19 school year:

High School Cheerleaders

Drama

Spanish Club

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

Nays: None – Motion Carried

Principals' Reports

Elementary

Mrs. Hartbarger informed the Board about a K-2 Literacy Night held on November 15th. She thanked Mrs. Kaylene Atkinson, Second Grade Teacher, for all of the work she put into helping plan this event for students and their families. The event was held to bolster excitement for reading for the whole family. Students heard Mr. Tim Atkinson read *A Camping Spree with Mr. Magee* and *Our Great Big Backyard*. The families had dinner and then broke into a parent session and student session. The students did a variety of literacy games while the parents talked with teachers about how to help their children get the most out of reading at home. The night concluded with each family member making s'mores and receiving a free book. A huge thank you to the United Way of Henry County, the Liberty Center Public Library, the Liberty Center Elementary staff, the Liberty Center National Honor Society, the Liberty Center PTO and all the volunteers who helped make the evening a success. There were approximately 400 in attendance. Mr. Carter commented that he was at the event and the staff did a fantastic job.

Mrs. Hartbarger also told the Board about a STEM activity they did during election week. Each student had an opportunity to vote on how well they felt students were exhibiting responsible behavior in the hallway. The students had to touch a pumpkin if they saw responsible behavior and an apple if they did not see responsible behavior. They even got to experience waiting in long lines to vote.

One of the Elementary's goals this year is to, "Create a culture of respect and kindness for all through consistent instruction, praise, consequences and classroom/individual goal setting." Once a week, students learn about an aspect of R.O.A.R. behaviors. R.O.A.R. stands for the building's core behaviors: Responsible, On-Task, Always Safe and Respectful. Mrs. Hartbarger told the Board about an assembly that was held on November 9th to kick-off the second quarter, which will focus on "On Task" behavior.

Mrs. Hartbarger also shared with the Board the opportunity students had to learn about various careers on November 19th. The building hosted a career day that featured an air traffic controller, doctor, carpenter and may others.

On November 9th, the elementary teachers participated in reading professional development, which was provided by the American Reading Company. During the session, teachers met with our consultant and reviewed student data, discussed how to group students for instruction and how to use the foundational tool kits that are a part of the American Reading Company's program. The kits are intended to directly target skills the students need to develop to become more efficient readers.

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Mrs. Hartbarger also informed the Board that Parent Teacher Conferences would be held November 20th and 21st.

Middle School

Mr. Mariano informed the Board the Middle School is continuing to analyze its data to make academic improvements. He is working with Katie Jimenez, Education Consultant/Gifted Coordinator, to analyze the state test data and how students use IReady and compare the data. He said they are hoping to use the data to determine what changes need to be made to better equip students for the test.

Mr. Mariano announced the following October Students of the Month based on work ethic, character and classroom success: Calleigh Stoner (grade 5), Paige Mason (grade 6), Elizabeth Ruby (grade 7), Calla Oelkrug (grade 8), David Minnich (grade 5), Kyelar Kern (grade 6), Alex Miller (grade 7) and Nick Romine (grade 8). He also congratulated the following art students for having their designs chosen for the Safety Kids Calendar Contest, sponsored by the Henry County Prosecutor's Office: Hanna Roth (grade 7), Kaelyn Gerken (grade 8) and Peyton Arney (grade 8). The following received Honorable Mention: Cassie Elieff (grade 8), Makayla Meller (grade 7) and Isabelle Walbot (grade 8).

Mr. Mariano also recognized staff members Mr. Green, Mr. Mays and Mrs. Chapa for planning and organizing the Veterans Day Assembly. He thanked them for their service to both our students and country.

Mr. Mariano told the Board about the 7th and 8th grade fall dance. He said there was a great turnout and thanked Mr. Oberhaus and the Student Council for organizing the dance. The 6th graders just finished their lesson on the book *Wonder* and will watch the movie on November 20th. Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on November 20th and 21st.

High School

Mr. Black told the Board that the High School is progressing with teacher observations for OTES. He also informed them that the fall play "Ax of Murder" was well attended. The spring musical will be "Mamma Mia" and held on March 7th, 8th and 9th. The Veterans Day Assembly was held on November 12th. Mr. Black thanked Mr. Green and Mr. Mays for organizing the assembly, Mrs. Chapa for speaking and all of the others who participated. On Friday, November 9th, 120 sophomores, juniors and seniors took the American Legion Americanism test and are awaiting the results. The guidance department had their annual College Credit Plus night on November 15th. In October, the Liberty Center FFA attended the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis and saw Garth Brooks perform.

Athletic Director's Report

Mr. Johnson was unable to attend the meeting and Mr. Black gave the Athletic Report on his behalf. Both the boys and girls soccer teams advanced to the District tournament. In cross country, the boys finished 9th at the State Meet and the girls finished 5th at the State Meet. Hope Olekrug placed 4th and Maddie Atkinson placed 29th, both earning All-Ohio. The football team is in the State Semifinals and will play Orville at Sandusky Perkins Saturday at 7:00 P.M. Mr. Black told the board where and when tickets could be purchased.

Facilities Report

Dr. Hug informed the Board that a CORE meeting is scheduled for Wednesday at 9:00 A.M. Following the meeting, the 11-month punch list tour will begin as directed by the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission. Additional straw has been placed on the landscaping as some has blown away. Trees are being planted and

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donations have been received for memorial trees. He also explained that a contractor has committed to the work for the memorial monument, which will be completed prior to Memorial Day.

#85-18 Superintendent's Consent Agenda

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

Approved Spanish 3 Class, teacher and chaperones to travel to Panama for Spanish and cultural immersion for an eight day trip the end of June.

Commended the Boys' Soccer Team for being the Sectional champions.

Commended the Girls' Soccer Team for being NWOAL champions and District runner-up.

Commended Samantha Engler for being named NWOAL Co-Player of the Year.

Commended Coach Dave Busick for being Coach of the Year.

Commended the Girls' Cross Country Team for being District Champions and placing 5th at the State Meet held on Saturday, November 10, 2018.

Commended Hope Oelkrug for being named NWOAL Runner of the Year and for earning 4th place and finishing All-Ohio at the State Cross Country Meet.

Commended Maddie Atkinson for earning All-Ohio at the State Cross Country Meet.

Commended the Boys' Cross Country Team for being NWOAL Champions, District Champions and placing 9th at the State Meet held on Saturday, November 10, 2018.

Commended Olivia Zacharias as a State Participant in High School Golf.

Commended Girls' Seventh Grade Volleyball Team for being NWOAL champions.

Commended the Junior High Girls' Cross Country Team for being NWOAL Champions.

Commended Parker Strauss for earning 2nd Team All State in Soccer.

Commended Samantha Engler for earning 2nd Team All State in Soccer.

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

#86-18 Superintendent's Personnel Recommendations

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the motion was made by Mr. Benson and seconded by Mr. Spangler to board approve the Superintendent's Personnel Agenda items as follows:

Approved Ashley Chapa, Intervention Specialist, as a tutor for a homebound student effective November 5, 2018 for a minimum of 10 hours per month through the end of the 2018-19 school year, at the LCCTA tutor rate.

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Approved Kerry Homan, Classroom Teacher, as a tutor for a homebound student effective November 27, 2018, up to five hours per week for two to four weeks, at the LCCTA tutor rate.

Offered Clarence Weirauch a five year Maintenance Supervisor contract, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2024.

Offered Donna Eickholt a five year Cafeteria Supervisor contract effective August 1, 2019 through July 31, 2024.

Offered Byronna Bare a continuing contract as a custodian, effective December 22, 2018. Her salary and benefits will be per the Liberty Center Local Schools OAPSE Negotiated Agreement's Salary Schedule.

Approved Matt Bryan, a certified individual, as the indoor track coach, which is an unpaid position, for the 2018-19 school year.

Approved the following volunteers for the sport indicated for the 2018-19 school year, contingent upon the completion of all necessary paperwork:

Zane Peterson-Wrestling
Jeremy Kern-Wrestling

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

New Business

The December Board of Education meeting will be on December 10, 2018 in the Auditoria.

Dr. Hug is working on having the Business Advisory Council in place before he retires, but the Board will need to appoint two members to the Business Advisory Council. The Council will be comprised of 5-6 members, which means they are in need of 2-3 more members.

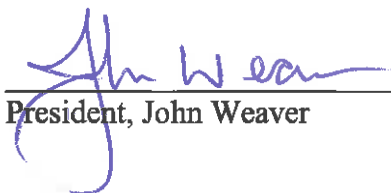
Board Members' Committee Reports

The Policy Committee will meet on December 3, 2018.

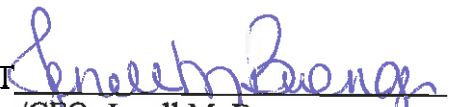
#87-18 Adjournment

It was moved by Mrs. Zacharias and seconded by Mr. Benson to adjourn the November 19, 2018 regular meeting of the Liberty Center Local Board of Education at 7:26 p.m.

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



President, John Weaver

ATTEST 

Treasurer/CFO, Jenell M. Buenger

