

**SOUTHERN LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**September 12, 2023 @ 5:30 pm / High School Media Center**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Roll Call:**

**Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes**

**III. Adoption of Minutes: Moved by John Sawyer Seconded by Linda Morris  
Waive the reading of the minutes**

**Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Abstain, Dowling Yes**

**IV. Reception of Visitors**

**During the Reception of Visitors or in the meeting, anyone addressing the board must refrain from using specific names other than that of the person speaking. If used, the President will ask you to continue in an executive session to be held at the board's determination. This is in line with Board of Education Policy 0169.1. There is a time limit of five minutes to speak per person and a total of thirty minutes. To go beyond thirty minutes board vote is needed.**

- 1. Amy Gareis – JCESC**
- 2. Dana DeRuyter**
- 3. Ryan Smith**
- 4. MJ Ludwig**
- 5. Katie Compton**
- 6. Kim Adams**

**V. Treasurer's Report**

**A. Financial Report: (Approval of the payment of bills and the transfers and /or advances as presented by the treasurer).**

**Moved by Karl Blissenbach**

**Seconded by Scott Hart**

**Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes**

**VI. Career Center Report**

## **VII. Building Report**

### **Elementary report from Mrs. Brinker:**

- \*School year is off to a great start. Want to thank administration, secretaries, teachers, students, and families for a great start.**
- \*Picture day is coming Monday September 18<sup>th</sup>**
- \*Carri Meek will be back with us Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup> to review and answer questions for Professional Growth Plans**
- \*We have received about 4 parents that have reached out to be PTO volunteers in the cafeteria during lunch duty, we can take more though!**
- \*Teachers have their first PAX meeting with our county support personnel Friday of this week to discuss nine week rewards and how we want to track positive behavior.**

### **Junior/Senior High Report from Mr. Krulik:**

- The PBIS team is taking students to Tinseltown on October 4th to see a matinee movie for earning PBIS check marks.**
- Austin Lanier, motivational speaker, coming January 17th for 6-12 grade and possibly elementary - His message is to encourage students to embrace their unique identity, never give up during difficult times, and make the right decisions in order to turn their dreams into reality.**
- Fall Testing schedule is done - Remediation and test prep has started. - November 30th - December 18th**
- Gabe Blissenbach has been voted September Kiwanis Student of the Month - Congrats Gabe!**
- Circle Group - Your Voice Matters - coming for social/economic/emotional programming**
- Markel Smith has been voted Big Dog of the Valley. Congrats Markel**

## **VIII. Superintendent's Report**

**23-149            Recommend approval of the following substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year.**

**Shawna Parrish - teacher**

**Jean Pastore – teacher**

**Sue Henthorn – teacher**

**Kim Smith – secretary**

**Tiffani McAfee – cafeteria and secretary**

**Misty Ammon – cafeteria, para professional, and secretary**

**Ashley Wilson – para professional**

**Tiffany McDevitt – para professional, cafeteria, custodian, and secretary**

**Kristen Smith – para professional**

**Moved by Scott Hart**

**Seconded by JohnSawyer**

**Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-150            Recommend the Board to approve then and now purchase orders as approved by the Treasurer. (Attachment A)**

**Moved by Karl Blissenbach,**

**Seconded by Scott Hart**

**Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-151            Recommend approval of a one-year contract for Leonard McKenzie Jr. as the bus mechanics helper/sub bus driver.**

**Moved by John Sawyer**

**Seconded by Linda Morris**

**Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-152            Recommend approval of Jeff Haugh as the school security officer. This is a three- year contract through Southern Local.**

**Moved by Scott Hart**

**Seconded by Linda Morris**

**Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-153            Recommend approval of the retire / rehire of Pat Thomas as high school secretary for the 2023-2024 school year.**

**Moved by John Sawyer**

**Seconded by Karl Blissenbach**

**Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-154            Recommend approval of a leave of absence starting in November 2023 until February, 2024 for an unidentified individual.**

**Moved by Scott Hart**

**Seconded by John Sawyer**

**Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-155        Recommend approval of a one-year teaching contract for Brian Eastham as an English Teacher in the Junior/Senior High School for the 2023-2024 school year.**

**Moved by Linda Morris**

**Seconded by Scott Hart**

**Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-156        Recommend approval of continuing contracts for Kim Crawford, cafeteria and Lisa Pitts, paraprofessional.**

**Moved by John Sawyer**

**Seconded by Scott Hart**

**Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-157        Recommend approval of a one-year limited contract for Julie Gates as a cafeteria worker.**

**Moved by Scott Hart**

**Seconded by Karl Blissenbach**

**Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-158        Recommend approval of the following donations: \$500 from Valley Roofing for the girls' basketball program and \$1,500 from the Lisbon Eagles for the Cross Country Team.**

**Moved by Linda Morris**

**Seconded by John Sawyer**

**Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-159        Recommend approval of the fifth- grade field trip to Camp Fitch on November 15 – 17, 2023. Time of departure on November 15 is 8:45 am and time of return is on November 17 at 2:00 pm.**

**Moved by Scott Hart**

**Seconded by Karl Blissenbach**

**Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-160        Recommend approval of the field trip for FFA to Indianapolis, IN for the National FFA Convention. The students will leave November 1, 2023 at 7:00 am and return November 4, 2023 at 7:00 pm.**

**Moved by John Sawyer**

**Seconded by Linda Morris**

**Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-161        Recommend approval to accept the permanent appropriations for FY24 as presented by the treasurer. (Attachment B)**

**Moved by Linda Morris**

**Seconded by Karl Blissenbach**

**Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-162        Recommend approval of the SLTA Master Agreement.**

**Moved by John Sawyer**

**Seconded by Scott Hart**

**Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-163        Recommend approval of Carter Hill as an administrator for Shale.**

**Moved by Scott Hart**

**Seconded by Karl Blissenbach**

**Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-164            Recommend approval of an updated contract for Julie Dowling.**

**Moved by Linda Morris**

**Seconded by Karl Blissenbach**

**Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Abstain**

**23-165            Recommend approval of the staffing agreement with Utica Shale for providing administrative services for the 2023-2024 school year.**

**Moved by Scott Hart**

**Seconded by Karl Blissenbach**

**Vote: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-166            Recommend approval of a leave of absence starting on September 15, 2023 and retuning on January 3, 2024 for an unidentified individual.**

**Moved by Scott Hart**

**Seconded by Karl Blissenbach**

**Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-167            Recommend approval of the following resolution:**

**WHEREAS, on June 30, 2023, the 135th Ohio General Assembly passed the state's biennial Operating Budget for FY 24-25 ("Amended Substitute House Bill 33" or "H.B. 33"), and Governor DeWine signed the legislation into law on July 3, 2023; and**

**WHEREAS, Amended Substitute House Bill 33 makes significant structural changes to the Ohio Department of Education, including renaming the Department of Education as the Department of Education and Workforce ("DEW"), creating the position of a director of education and workforce who will be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, establishing within the DEW the Division of Career-Technical Education and the Division of Primary and Secondary Education, each of which will be led by a deputy director appointed by the director of education with the advice and consent of the Senate, creating the "Department of Children and Youth," creating the position of a director of children and youth, and transferring most of the powers and duties of the State Board of Education and the Superintendent of Public Instruction to the DEW, the Director of Education and Workforce, the Department of Children and Youth, and/or the Director of Children and Youth; and**

**WHEREAS, most of the State Board of Education and/or Superintendent of Public Instruction's powers prior to the effective date of H.B.33 will now fall under the auspices and/or jurisdiction of the DEW, the Director of Education and Workforce, the Department of Children and Youth, and/or the Director of Children and Youth, the State Board of Education retains the following duties: (1) adopt requirements for educator licensure; (2) process and issue educator licenses; (3) investigate and resolve educator misconduct complaints; (4) evaluate background checks, evaluate eligibility for licensure and participate in the retained applicant fingerprint database program; (5) determine school district territory transfer disputes; and (6) administer the teacher and school counselor evaluation systems; and**

**WHEREAS, during the period of transition and until such time as respective roles are clearly delineated, the Board of Education desires to recognize and give full effect to the structural changes made by H.B, 33 and align its practices accordingly;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education that any and all references to the "Department of Education," "Ohio Department of Education," "Department," or "ODE" contained in the Board's existing polices and corresponding administrative guidelines and forms, shall, after the effective date of HB 33 (i.e., on or about October 2, 2023), mean the "Department of Education and Workforce" ("DEW") or the "Department of Children and Youth" for all purposes set forth and described in HB 33.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that to the extent that existing Board policies and corresponding administrative guidelines and forms reference the "State Superintendent of Public Instruction" and/or the "State Board of Education," such references, after the effective date of HB 33, shall be mean the "Department of Education and Workforce" ("DEW"), the "Director of Education and Workforce," the "Department of Children and Youth" and/or the "Director of Children and Youth" as applicable and appropriate and as set forth and described in HB 33.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, until such time as the Board's existing policies and corresponding administrative guidelines and forms are updated to reflect the changes set forth above, the Superintendent shall act and direct other school staff to act and carry out their responsibilities in a manner consistent with HB 33 and the above-identified provisional changes to Board policies and corresponding administrative guidelines and forms.**

**Moved by Scott Hart**

**Seconded by Karl Blissenbach**

**Vote: Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-168            Recommend approval of the amended certificate of estimated resources for FY 24. (Attachment C)**

**Moved by John Sawyer**

**Seconded by Linda Morris**

**Vote: Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Dowling Yes**

**23-169 Recommendation to go into executive session for matters required to be kept confidential by federal law of rules or state statutes. WHEREAS, as a public board of education may hold an executive session only after a majority of a quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:**

**To consider one or more, as applicable, of the check-marked items with respect to a public employee or official:**

- 1. Appointment
- 2. Employment
- 3. Dismissal
- 4. Discipline
- 5. Promotion
- 6. Demotion
- 7. Compensation

**Moved by Scott Hart**

**Seconded by John Sawyer**

**Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes**

**Returned from Executive Session: 8:01 pm**

**Roll Call: Sawyer Yes, Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Dowling Yes**

**Next Regular Meeting: October 10, 2023 @ 5:30 pm**

**Adjournment: 8:03 pm**

**Moved by John Sawyer**

**Seconded by Linda Moris**

**Vote: Blissenbach Yes, Hart Yes, Morris Yes, Sawyer Yes, Dowling Yes**