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**MINUTES OF THE SOUTHERN OHIO  
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**October 25, 2011**

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The Southern Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board met on Tuesday, October 25, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Southern Ohio ESC in Highland County for its regular monthly meeting. Members present were Mr. Clawson, Mr. Lane, Mr. Luck, Mr. Mount, Mr. Peck, Mr. Shell, Mrs. Williams and Mr. Wilt along with Treasurer Roy Alleyn Unversaw Jr. and Superintendent Tony Long. Guests in attendance were School Improvement Coordinator Deanne Link, SOESC and Superintendent Rick Earley, Hillsboro City Schools. Mr. West was not in attendance.

**REVISION AND/OR APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA (Resolution #2752)**

It was moved by Mr. Luck and seconded by Mr. Peck to approve the agenda as revised.

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

**MINUTE APPROVAL (Resolution #2753)**

It was moved by Mr. Shell and seconded by Mr. Clawson that the September 27, 2011 meeting minutes be approved as presented.

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

Meeting was opened for public participation. Superintendent Rick Earley, Hillsboro City Schools received a certificate of appreciation.

**RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO HOUSE BILL 136 (Resolution #2754)**

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It was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mr. Mount to approve the following resolution of opposition to House Bill 136.

Roll Call:

|            |             |            |           |            |               |
|------------|-------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------------|
| <u>Yes</u> | Mr. Clawson | <u>Yes</u> | Mr. Mount | <u>Yes</u> | Mrs. Williams |
| <u>Yes</u> | Mr. Lane    | <u>Yes</u> | Mr. Peck  | <u>Yes</u> | Mr. Wilt      |
| <u>Yes</u> | Mr. Luck    | <u>Yes</u> | Mr. Shell |            |               |

President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

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GREAT OAKS ITCD REPORT

Mr. Lane updated the board on the Great Oaks ITCD October 12, 2011 meeting. The following are highlights from his report:

- Eugene W. Kavanagh passed away on October 16, 2011. He was the Superintendent of Great Oaks Vocational School from 1970-75 and was instrumental in the creation of the Laurel Oaks campus.
- Projected enrollment at the Laurel Oaks campus is over 500 students.
- Health benefit rates will increase by 7% and dental rates by 6%. The Butler County Health Plan has been aggressive in leveraging discounts with providers, modifying plans and offering plan designs to promote wellness.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Peck referred to the Ohio School Boards Association October 21, 2011 email "Fact in a Flash" to update the Board on Ohio's legislative matters. The following bullets are highlights from his report:

- HB 136 - OSBA is encouraging members to contact legislators to discuss their views on HB 136.
- HB 319 - Redrew Ohio's 16 congressional districts. Ohioans for Fair Districts have filed for a referendum on this bill which the Ohio Supreme Court ruled in favor of. With the primary elections set for March 6, 2011, the question now is what would happen if there were no new districts by the December 7, 2011 deadline.
- HB 318 - Set a second primary date on June 12, 2012 in response to the referendum on HB 319.

OHIO SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION BOARD DELEGATE ASSEMBLY DISCUSSION

Rod Lane, Southern Ohio Educational Service Center's Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) Delegate, shared OSBA's 2012 Legislative Platform with board members.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Unversaw reviewed the monthly reports with the board.

*Mr. Unversaw indicated that he will be investing a portion of the ESC's \$2.0 million cash balance over the next several months.*

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**APPROVAL OF PAID BILLS (Resolution #2755)**

It was moved by Mrs. Williams and seconded by Mr. Shell that the paid bills be approved as presented, for a total of \$678,623.66 (total of 152 checks written).

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATION AMENDMENTS (Resolution #2756)**

It was moved by Mr. Luck and seconded by Mr. Peck to approve the following appropriation amendments as presented below:

**Appropriation Amendment - ESC**

| <u>Fund</u>                 | <u>Description</u>                        | <u>Amount</u>     |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------|
| 451-9410                    | OneNet Connectivity Fund FY12 – New Grant | \$1,800.00        |
| <b>Total Amendment–ESC:</b> |   | <b>\$1,800.00</b> |

**Appropriation Amendment - HW**

| <u>Fund</u>                | <u>Description</u>    | <u>Amount</u>     |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 022-9245                   | Hopewell General Fund | \$9,254.11        |
| <b>Total Amendment-HW:</b> |                       | <b>\$9,254.11</b> |

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO OASBO 457B DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN  
(Resolution #2757)**

Upon the recommendation of Treasurer Unversaw, it was moved by Mr. Clawson and seconded by Mrs. Williams to approve the amendment to the OASBO 457b deferred compensation plan effective August 15, 2011.

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

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**TREASURER DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. The Cash Flow Statement as of 9/30/2011 was shared with the board. The net income is considerably higher than the last three years for the same period. The two primary reasons for the higher net income are: (1) Timing of when district paid FY11 invoices; (2) Changing our billing structure to even out cash flow.
2. Mr. Unversaw reminded board members to submit itemized receipts at the November meeting for any Capital Conference expenses.
3. The board reviewed and discussed Mr. Unversaw's evaluation.

**PERSONNEL CONTRACT AMENDMENT (Resolution #2758)**

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. Peck and seconded by Mr. Shell to approve the following contract amendment.

**CERTIFICATED CONTRACT ~ O.R.C. 3319.08**

| <u>Name</u>  | <u>Tentative Position</u>                    | <u>Effective Date</u> | <u>Current Contract</u> | <u>Revised Contract</u> |
|--------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Heidi Friend | Speech Language Pathologist<br>(Clinton Co.) | 2011-12 SY            | A/2 B+<br>\$32,286.00   | A/2 MA<br>\$34,211.00   |

*\*Original Approval Date: June 28, 2011*

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

**SATH MEMBERSHIP (Resolution #2759)**

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mr. Mount that the board continue membership in Supplemental Assistance to the Handicapped Inc. (SATH) for school year 2011-2012 at a cost of \$500.00.

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

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**APPROVAL OF OUT OF STATE TRAVEL (Resolution #2760)**

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. Shell and seconded by Mrs. Williams to approve out of state travel for **Kimberly Douglas** to accompany her gifted (TAG) students on a field trip to Chicago, IL on May 4-7, 2012.

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF SERVICE CONTRACTS (Resolution #2761)**

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. Mount and seconded by Mr. Clawson to approve the following service contracts as listed:

**Service Contracts**

| <b><u>Provider</u></b>     | <b><u>Purchase Order</u></b> | <b><u>Service</u></b>                  | <b><u>Dates</u></b> | <b><u>Amount</u></b> | <b><u>Travel</u></b> |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|--|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Align, Assess, Achieve LLC | 2120499                      | Workshop Facilitation                  | 11/15/11            | \$2,500.00           | ----                 |
| Edge Document Solutions    | 2120494                      | IBridge – electronic imaging of checks | FY 2012             | \$714.00             | ----                 |
| Ennis, Roberts & Fischer   | 2120498                      | Professional Services                  | FY 2012             | \$1,500.00           | ----                 |

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

**HOPEWELL REGIONAL ADVISORY BOARD (Resolution #2762)**

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long and the Hopewell Regional Advisory Board, it was moved by Mr. Luck and seconded by Mr. Lane to approve the following:

**Personnel Contract**

Employment contract for the following personnel subject to assignment by the Regional Director, and all contracts are subject to continuation of existing local, state and/or federal funding, proper licensure; Ohio Bureau of Criminal Background Investigation Check and Federal Bureau of Investigation Background check (as needed):

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**Supplemental Contract**

| <u>Name</u>     | <u>Tentative Position</u>  | <u>Contract Dates</u> | <u>Rate</u> |
|-----------------|--|-----------------------|-------------|
| Marleen Bottoms | Paraprofessional<br>Professional Development<br>Regional TA Lead | 2011-12 SY            | \$39.10 p/h |

**Personnel Contract Amendment**

**Supplemental Limited Contract – Extended Service**

| <u>Name</u>     | <u>Tentative Position</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> | <u>Current Contract</u>                                    | <u>Revised Contract</u>                                    |
|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| Marleen Bottoms | Consultant                | 10/1/11               | Psych/7 M<br>\$10,946.72<br>(\$273.668 per day)<br>40 days | Psych/7 M<br>\$13,409.73<br>(\$273.668 per day)<br>49 days |

*\*Original Approval Date: June 28, 2011*

**Provider Contract**

| <u>Client</u>        | <u>Service</u>                            | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|----------------------|---|--------------|---------------|
| University of Dayton | Paraprofessional Personnel<br>Development | 2011-15 SY   | \$70,663.66   |

**Service Contracts**

| <u>Provider</u> | <u>Purchase Order</u> | <u>Service</u>                  | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Travel</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Gina Fawley     | 2120474               | Adapted Sports Programs         | 10/28/11     | \$100.00      | ----          |
| Molly Mattheis  | 2120472               | IEP Toolkit & Kid<br>Portfolios | 10/28/11     | \$100.00      | ----          |
| Roberta Naylor  | 2120473               | Adapted Sports Programs         | 10/28/11     | \$100.00      | ----          |

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**Stipend Contracts**

| <u><b>Provider</b></u> | <u><b>Purchase<br/>Order</b></u> | <u><b>Service</b></u>  | <u><b>Dates</b></u> | <u><b>Amount</b></u> | <u><b>Travel</b></u> |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Jodi Jackson           | 2120488                          | RAC Attendance Stipend | 2011-12 SY          | \$140.00             | ---                  |
| Tena Nickell           | 2120486                          | RAC Attendance Stipend | 2011-12 SY          | \$140.00             | ---                  |
| Katherine Poitinger    | 2120491                          | RAC Attendance Stipend | 2011-12 SY          | \$140.00             | ---                  |
| Mary Redden            | 2120487                          | RAC Attendance Stipend | 2011-12 SY          | \$140.00             | ---                  |

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Mr. Long shared the following with the board:

Material concerning the Ohio School Boards Association 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Capital Conference and he reminded the board that Mr. Shell is being honored by the Ohio Educational Service Center Association for 20 years of service at their annual brunch.

Per the SOESC Governing Board policy, he requested that the board complete his superintendent evaluation in the coming months.

He reminded the board of the November board meeting time change from 7 pm to 6:30 pm.

He reminded the board of their previous conversation to move the December board meeting to the home of Sarah Williams.

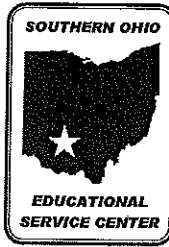
He shared with the board that he had conversations with the two new board members, John Lewis and Roy Hill, about the upcoming November/December SOESC Governing Board meetings and new board member orientation.

**ADJOURNMENT (Resolution #2763)**

It was moved by Mr. Shell and seconded by Mr. Luck to adjourn to meet again in regular session on November 22, 2011 at **6:30 p.m.** at the Southern Ohio ESC, Wilmington.

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the Board, Mr. Wilt, declared the motion carried.

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**IN OPPOSITION TO  
HOUSE BILL 136 SCHOOL CHOICE**

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio House of Representative is currently considering legislation that would significantly expand the availability of vouchers for students to attend private or parochial schools; and

**WHEREAS**, this legislation would grant vouchers to any public school student in Ohio to request and be granted a voucher, subject only to a family income standard of \$95,000 or less; and

**WHEREAS**, such vouchers would be granted without regard to the academic performance of the public school that the student is assigned to attend; and

**WHEREAS**, the bill provides that students already enrolled in private or parochial schools would be eligible for such vouchers; and

**WHEREAS**, students receiving vouchers would be able to retain any excess funds in those instances where the cost of tuition is less than the value of the voucher for use in any private school or college in Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, the operation of the proposed program would take dollars directly from the already financially beleaguered local public school districts resulting in fewer resources for the education of the remaining students;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center does hereby express its opposition to this legislation, HB 136 School Choice; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center expresses its opposition to any legislation that seeks to transfer public dollars to support private education, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Treasurer be directed to distribute this resolution upon the minutes of the Board of Education and that copies of the resolution be forwarded to members of the Ohio House of Representatives.

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The Governing Board of the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 2011 at the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center, Hillsboro with the following members present:

David Mount  
Dr. Rodney Lane  
Sarah Williams  
Jim Clouston  
Roger Shell

James G. Luck  
Richard J. Peck

Mr. Lane moved and Mr. Mount seconded the motion that the above resolution be adopted.

ADOPTED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011.

Roy Allyn Umersaw  
Treasurer

10-25-11  
Date

Anthony C. Long  
Superintendent

10-25-11  
Date

Carl W. Willott  
Board President

10-25-11  
Date