

MINUTES OF THE SOUTHERN OHIO  
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

REGULAR MEETING

October 27, 2015

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The Southern Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board met on Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Region 14 Hopewell Center for its regular monthly meeting. Members present were Mr. Clawson, Mrs. Gausman, Mr. Hill, Mr. Lane, Mr. Luck, Mr. Mount, Mr. Peck, Mr. West and Mr. Wilt along with Treasurer Rachel Meyer and Superintendent Tony Long. Guest in attendance was Beth Justice, Director of Region 14 Hopewell.

REVISION AND/OR APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA (Resolution #3443)

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

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

MINUTE APPROVAL (Resolution #3444)

It was moved by Mr. Mount and seconded by Mr. West that the September 22, 2015 meeting minutes be approved as presented.

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Beth Justice, Director, Region 14 Hopewell Center was in attendance and presented a handout on facility upgrades at Region 14.

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO HOUSE BILL 70 (Resolution #3445)  
[See Minute Page #904-905]

It was moved by Mr. Luck and seconded by Mr. Hill to approve the resolution showing objection to House Bill 70.

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

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RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO STATE ISSUE 3 (Resolution #3446)

[See Minute Page #906-907]

It was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mrs. Gausman to approve the resolution in opposition to State Issue 3.

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

GREAT OAKS ITCD REPORT

Mr. Lane updated the board on the September 2015 Great Oaks ITCD Board Meeting. The following bullets are highlights from his report.

- OGT Intervention – Because of the importance of passing the OGT, Great Oaks and affiliated school personnel collaborate on individual intervention plans for students.
- Health Benefits – For 2016, the medical and dental rates will remain at 2015 rates.
- RAMTEC Grand Opening – October 29, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. at Scarlet Oaks in Sharonville. Classes offered will train a adult and then secondary students in robotics and advanced manufacturing.
- Goals of the President/CEO – The 2015-16 strategies outlined by Harry Snyder focus on fulfilling the four board district goals that include: improving student achievement, expanding partnerships, maximizing professional development and creating a quality learning environment.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Peck shared the Ohio School Boards Association publication, *The Link*. The following bullets are highlights from his report:

1. Review of bills expected to receive hearings this fall.
  - HB39 would allow a school to procure and possess asthma inhalers for use in emergency situations.
  - HB113 would require hands-on CPR training as a requirement for graduation.
  - HB146 requires districts to provide instruction in cursive handwriting.
  - HB212 would repeal the Common Core State Standards, do away with the Ohio Teacher and Principal Evaluation Systems and make changes to Ohio's Assessment System.
2. Sandy Hook Promise – Say Something Call-to-Action Week: 10/19-23/15

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FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mrs. Meyer reviewed the monthly reports with the board.

APPROVAL OF PAID BILLS (Resolution #3447)

It was moved by Mr. West and seconded by Mr. Wilt that the paid bills for the previous month be approved as presented, for a total of \$685,848.86.

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

APPROPRIATION MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS (Resolution #3448)  
[See Minute Page #908-909]

Upon the recommendation of Treasurer Meyer, it was moved by Mr. Luck and seconded by Mr. Peck to approve the following appropriation modifications and amendments as presented.

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

TREASURER DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Fiscal Office Update:

- Mary Camp and I just sent out the second invoices of the year for primary services. If you recall, Hopewell and the ESC's services have been combined into one invoice per district. We began this practice in FY14 with the goal of reducing the number of invoices, provide consistency in billing, and make it easier for districts to process payments to the ESC.
- The FY2015 GAAP Conversion should be completed by Plattenburg in early November 2015.

2. Professional Development

- On October 13, 2015 I attended a Prospective Billing Overview for Public Employers workshop in Portsmouth where Bureau of Workers' Compensation representatives presented on the switch to prospective billing beginning in 2016.
- On October 14, 2015 I attended a Treasurers' Professional Development Seminar in Piketon. Topics for the seminar included Affordable Care Act Reporting and Financial ramifications of the College Credit Plus Program.

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TREASURER DISCUSSION ITEMS (Cont.)

- On October 30, 2015, I will participate in a State Support Team (SST) Fiscal Agent webinar which will cover topics such as SST Director Evaluations and Evaluation of SSTs. There will also be a fiscal discussion on funding sources and budgeting for use of the funds.
- On November 9-11, 2015 I will attend the Capital Conference in Columbus.

PERSONNEL CONTRACT AGREEMENT(S) (Resolution #3449)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mr. Luck that the board approve employment contracts for the following personnel subject to the provision of O.R.C. 3319.02, O.R.C. 3319.08 and/or O.R.C. 3319.081. All personnel are subject to assignment by the superintendent and all contracts are subject to continuation of existing local, state, and/or federal funding; proper licensure; Ohio Department of Education highly qualified teacher per current job assignment; Ohio Bureau of Criminal Background Investigation Check; and Federal Bureau of Investigation Background Check:

[See Minute Page #910-911]

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

APPROVAL OF UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST (Resolution #3450)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mrs. Gausman and seconded by Mr. Hill to approve an unpaid leave of absence request for **Tiffany Aliff** from October 2, 2015 to January 8, 2016.

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

APPROVAL OF INCENTIVIZED TUITION REIMBURSEMENT PLAN (Resolution #3451)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. Wilt and seconded by Mr. West to approve the Incentivized Tuition Reimbursement Plan as listed to be retroactive to the beginning of the 2015-16 school year.

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

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**APPROVAL OF SATH MEMBERSHIP (Resolution #3452)**

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. Luck and seconded by Mr. Hill that the board continues membership in Supplemental Assistance to the Handicapped, Inc. (SATH) for school year 2015-2016 at a cost of \$500.00.

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

**APPROVAL OF POLICY MANUAL UPDATES (Resolution #3453)**

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. Mount and seconded by Mr. Peck to approve the following policy manual updates:

Revised Policies:	
AFC-1 (Also GCN-1)	Evaluation of Certified Staff
DID	Inventories (Fixed Assets)
GCN-1 (Also AFC-1)	Evaluation of Certified Staff

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

**APPROVAL OF SERVICE CONTRACT(S) (Resolution #3454)**

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mrs. Gausman to approve the following service contract(s) as listed:

**SERVICE CONTRACT(S)**

<u>Provider</u>	<u>Purchase Order</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Travel</u>
Ohio School Boards Association	2160496	OSBA Policy Services	FY 2016	\$1,550.00	----

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



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APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL (Resolution #3455)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. West and seconded by Mr. Wilt to approve out of state travel for **Misty Ewry** and **Kim K. Adams** to visit Ron Clark Academy in Atlanta, GA from February 4 – February 7, 2016.

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

SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Superintendent Long shared the following with the board:

1. Capital Conference Materials were handed out to all that plan to attend. Reminded the board that Roger West will be recognized for 30 years of service at the brunch at the Hyatt on Monday, November 9 at 9:00 a.m.
2. Please forward the Superintendent Evaluation instruments to Mr. Clawson when completed.
3. Craig Burford, Executive Director of the Ohio Educational Service Center Association wanted me to thank the board for adopting the Charter School Reform resolution (Ohio HB 2) and for sharing our annual report.
4. The tentative date of the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Four County Board Meeting will be March 22, 2016 at Laurel Oaks pending the SOESC Governing Board Organizational Meeting.
5. The SOESC received \$4,598.90 in rebates from the Southwest Ohio Educational Purchasing Cooperative Rebates which is often used for opening day convocation and other wellness/safety issues like AED and CPR training.
6. Advised the board of his upcoming surgery and shared that he's been out of the office for both personal medical procedures as well as assisting his parents with a couple of their medical issues.
7. Reminded the board that the November 23<sup>rd</sup> board meeting time will change from 7 pm to 6:30 pm.
8. Shared that the SOESC has been invited to serve as fiscal agent for the ODE Competency Based Grant by Great Oaks and Warren County Career and Technical Center,
9. The SOESC staff directory was handed out.
10. Linda Mead, Early Learning and School Readiness Consultant at Region 14, lost her father recently.
11. I attended the State Board Meeting in October to obtain more information regarding Highly Performing ESC's.

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ADJOURNMENT (Resolution #3456)

It was moved by Mr. Luck to adjourn to meet again in regular session on November 23 at **6:30 p.m.** at Southern Ohio Educational Service Center, Wilmington.

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

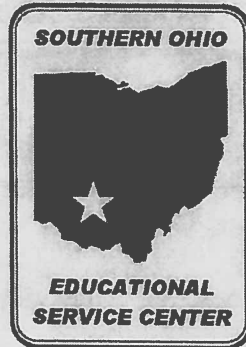
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Board President

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Treasurer

**Southern Ohio Educational Service Center  
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**Resolution**

**October 27, 2015**

**Opposition to House Bill 70**

WHEREAS, public schools have been the hallmark of the American education system and the foundation of the nation's democracy; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's schools have traditionally been governed by an elected board of education, the members of which have been chosen by their fellow community members to make sound decisions concerning the education of the community's children and to determine the most effective use of local tax dollars in pursuit of that goal; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 appointment of an academic distress commission in the Youngstown City Schools and the recent restructuring of that commission to function under a CEO appointed by individuals who may reside outside the Youngstown community – as opposed to being named by those who best know that community – has set aside the ability of the elected board of education to exercise its governing authority; and

WHEREAS, those restructuring changes were contained in a last-minute amendment to House Bill 70, which the Ohio General Assembly passed without any serious input from the Youngstown City Board of Education or the Youngstown community; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this amendment was completed by Columbus-based legislators with little or no connection to the Youngstown community and without any genuine effort to engage those most affected by the action; and

WHEREAS, the legislation lays the groundwork for the same restructuring changes to take place in other districts across the state

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board does object and protest the manner in which this draconian legislation was



passed and question how the district reforms and improvements can be achieved without involving and engaging the elected board of education and the Youngstown community; and

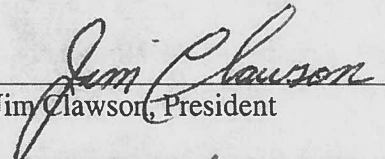
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we ask the state superintendent of public instruction, as the manager of the academic distress commission process, to take appropriate steps to engage the elected board of education and community in the school improvement process prior to appointment of the new CEO; and

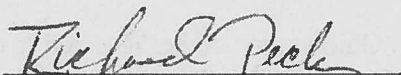
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we implore members of the Ohio General Assembly, the State Board of Education, and Governor John R. Kasich to seek amendments to House Bill 70 and the academic distress commission procedures that will preserve and enhance democracy and local control; and

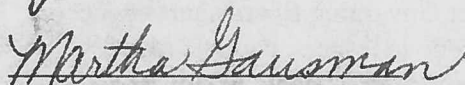
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such amendments should embrace the original intent of House Bill 70: fostering community engagement and collaboration to create community learning centers that will better serve Youngstown's children and families; and

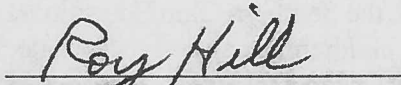
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all Ohio boards of education adopt this resolution and forward said resolution to the governor, the members of the Ohio General Assembly, the State Board of Education and the state superintendent of public instruction.

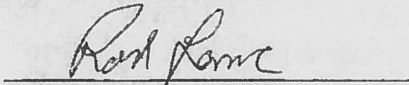
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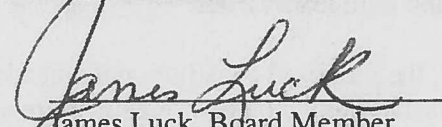
  
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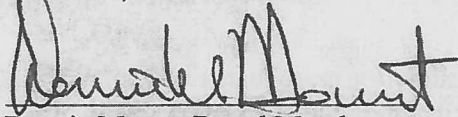
  
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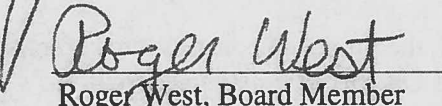
  
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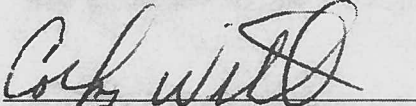
  
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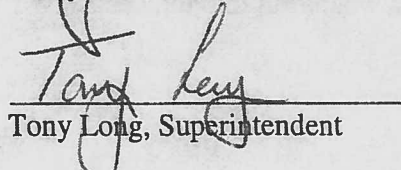
  
Rod Lane, Board Member

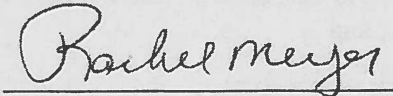
  
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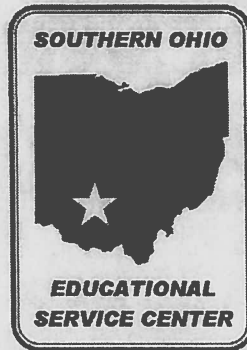
  
Roger West, Board Member

  
Corky Wilt, Board Member

  
Tony Long, Superintendent

  
Rachel Meyer, Treasurer

**Southern Ohio Educational Service Center  
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**Resolution**

**October 27, 2015**

**Opposition to State Issue 3**

WHEREAS, Ohio voters are being asked to consider State Issue 3, a proposed constitutional amendment that would legalize the use of marijuana in the state of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board shares concerns with Ohio's children's health advocates, doctors, hospitals, civic leaders, parents, farmers, other business people, chambers of commerce, law enforcement personnel, addiction counselors and faith leaders; and

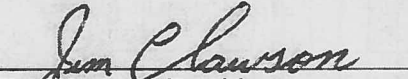
WHEREAS, the proposed constitutional amendment allows a private organization, seeking to acquire exclusive rights, to grow, manufacture and sell marijuana and marijuana-infused edible products to Ohioans for recreational and medical use; and

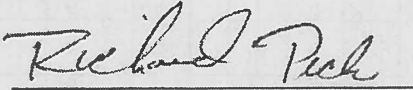
WHEREAS, the proposed constitutional amendment will allow for more than 1,100 retail stores across Ohio to be located near to Ohio's schools focusing on the sales of recreational marijuana in the form of joints, liquids, sprays and edibles such as cookies, brownies and candy; and

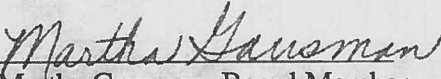
WHEREAS, the allowance for large quantities of recreational marijuana combined with the lack of oversight and control, make it very likely that marijuana would fall into the hands of our students; and

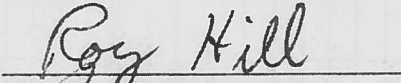
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the elected members of the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board of Education, on behalf of the children and community we serve, do hereby express our opposition to State Issue 3, a constitutional amendment legalizing marijuana; and

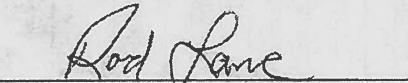
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Jim Clawson, President

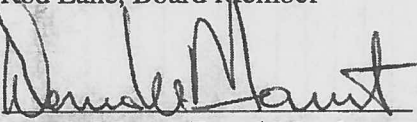
  
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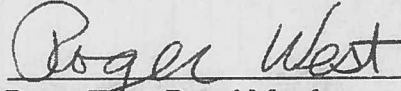
  
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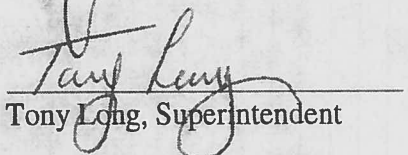
  
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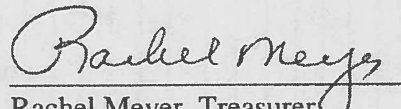
  
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**SOUTHERN OHIO EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER  
FY 2016 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS**

10/15/2015

**Notes:**

General Fund - Tuition Reimbursement for all staff collectively \$7,000.00  
General Fund - Board Service Fund set at \$7,500.00 on a calendar year basis  
Termination Benefits Fund - Unemployment, Severance, and Vacation Payouts

**Contingencies:**

General Fund - Emergency Fund -4 months of expenses \$1,080,000.00  
General Fund - Building Fund \$100,000.00 FY 2016 - add \$25,000.00 per year until FY 2018  
Hopewell General Fund - Emergency Fund - 4 months of expenses \$1,000,000.00.  
Hopewell General Fund - Building Fund \$100,000.00 - (HVAC, siding, updates, repair, etc...)  
Hopewell General Fund - Termination / Retirement Benefits setaside \$30,000.00

**Transfers: (To be made - more information to follow)**

Employment Recommendations  
SOESC

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Highlighted entry denotes additional agreement

Last Name	First Name	Tentative Position	Contract Beg.	Contract End	Length of Contract	Days as needed	Schedule	Step	Degree	Amount	Pay Type	Contract Type	Comments	Additional Agenda Item	Board meeting
															Date
Trefz	Colleen	Substitute Secretary	2015	2016	1	as needed	M	0	No Degree on Schedule	\$10.51	Hourly	Classified Employee			10/27/2015
Friend	Dylan	Educational Aide	2015	2016	1	as needed	L	3	No Degree on Schedule	\$10.22	Hourly	Classified Employee			10/27/2015
	Nicole	Gifted Intervention Specialist	2015	2016	1	90	MA(A)	7	Masters	247.84	Per Diem	Certificated Employee		X	3.0/27/2015



East Clinton Local Schools  
SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

October 27, 2015

The following Substitute Teachers have met all the requirements of the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center and are ready to be approved at your Local Board Meeting.

	Last Name:	First Name:
1.	Bishop	Dustin
2.	Crawford	Jessica
3.	Farnham	Linda
4.	Kohl	Sara
5.	Phillips	Cassandra
6.	Rowe	Brittany
7.	Smith	Shara
8.	Strong	Carol
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