

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

REGULAR MEETING

February 23, 2015

The Southern Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board met on Tuesday, February 23, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center for its regular 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.

REVISION AND/OR APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA (Resolution #3321)

It was moved by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Mount 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 #3322)

It was moved by Mr. Luck and seconded by Mr. Peck that the January 27, 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.

Meeting was opened for public participation. None received.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE MIAMI TRACE LOCAL SCHOOLS 3.9-MILL BOND ISSUE (Resolution #3323) [See Minute Page # 0764]

It was moved by Mr. Wilt and seconded by Mr. Hill to approve the resolution in support of the 3.9-mill Bond Issue to be placed before voters of the Miami Trace Local School District at the May 5, 2015 election.

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

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GREAT OAKS ITCD REPORT

- A. Mr. Lane disseminated highlights of the February 2015 Board of Directors Meeting handout:
- Great Oaks approved the lease agreement with Southern Ohio ESC
 - Mr. Lane assigned to HR Committee
 - Chancellor John Carey to visit Laurel Oaks
 - Auditor of State Award with Distinction presented to Rob Giuffre. Great Oaks earned this award for 25th year, for developing an annual CAFR, submitting timely financial reports and receiving a clean audit, with no findings.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON REPORT

- B. Mr. Peck disseminated *The Link*
- Reviewed the 131st General Assembly Committee Assignments
 - Recommended legislative changes:
 - Limit the amount of time students take state and district tests to 2% of school year; and limit the amount of time spent practicing for tests to 1% of school year;
 - Eliminate the use of student learning objectives as part of teacher evaluation system for teachers in grades Pre-K-3 and for teachers instructing in non-core subject areas in grades 4-12; and
 - Eliminate the fall third grade reading test, but provide a summer administration of the test for students who need it.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mrs. Meyer reviewed the monthly reports with the board.

APPROVAL OF PAID BILLS (Resolution #3324)

It was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mrs. Gausman that the paid bills for the previous month be approved as presented, for a total of \$680,483.41.

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

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APPROVAL OF INVESTMENTS (Resolution #3325)

It was moved by Mr. Mount and seconded by Mr. Luck to approve the following investments as transacted by the treasurer:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Firm</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1/22/15	General	Northpointe Bk Grand Rapids MI	3/22/16	.400%	\$190,000.00
1/22/15	General	Fidelity Bk Atlanta GA	3/23/16	.400%	\$ 21,987.02

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

TREASURER DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

1. Fiscal Office Update:

- Mary Camp and I sent out the week of February 9th the fourth of six invoices of the year for primary services for Hopewell and ESC.
- On February 13th Megan Thompson and I will begin training in order for her to assume the responsibilities associated with the Region 14 Special Education Cooperative Services Book and grants in the CCIP. She has agreed to assist and present at the Annual Fiscal Meeting scheduled for March 27, 2015 at Region 14.
- I have been informed by the auditors that they should be finished with the FY2014 audit by the end of this month or early March. Mrs. Meyer praised the fiscal team for their assistance in helping to meet the Auditors' requests during the FY2014 audit process.

2. Professional Development:

- On February 19, 2015, Amanda Ely and I will participate in an initial conference call with Ed Pudlowski, Chief Operating Officer of American Fidelity Administrative Services to start the WorxTime implementation process. American Fidelity Administrative Services has partnered with WorxTime to offer a Health Care Reform eligibility software that includes the following features:
 - Monitors employee hours in real time and sends automated alerts to the employer whenever action is required;
 - Calculates whether variable hour employees will be considered full-time under the law;
 - Monitors percentage of full-time employees who are eligible for coverage;
 - Provides affordability testing, rate of pay safe harbor testing, and a penalty calculator; and
 - Captures information that will need to be reported to the IRS.

After the initial call, there will be subsequent conference calls that will include Gail Briggs, WorxTime Implementer, where we will go over any questions, gather additional information that is needed and we will be provided with the secure site where we can send the data to use the WorxTime tool.

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Mr. West arrived at 6:45 p.m.

PERSONNEL CONTRACT AGREEMENTS (Resolution #3326)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. West and seconded by Mr. Peck that the board approves 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 #0765-0767]

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

2015 FOUR COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS MEETING (Resolution #3327)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Long, it was moved by Mr. Luck and seconded by Mr. Lane to invite board members, superintendents, treasurers and other administrators to a dinner meeting of the boards of education of the twelve school districts of Adams, Clinton, Fayette and Highland Counties on March 24, 2015 to be held at Laurel Oaks Career Development Campus in Wilmington at 6:30 p.m.

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

HOPEWELL REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (Resolution #3328)

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

Approval of Out-of-State Travel

Approve out of state travel for **Michael Roush** to attend PARCC Accessibility Features and Accommodations in Washington D.C. on Monday, February 23, 2015.

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

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Tony thanked the Board for agreeing to change the board meeting date so that he and other superintendents could attend the State of the State Assembly Meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Superintendent Long shared the following with the board:

1. Newspaper articles were shared featuring the Southern Ohio ESC board's reorganization and a recent Quiz Bowl competition.
2. A Four County Board Meeting tentative agenda for March.
3. A list of current employees and their contract status.
4. Roger West will be recognized at the Southwest Region Spring Conference on Tuesday, March 10.
5. A personnel matter was discussed in Executive Session.
6. Rachel, Rhonda and I completed an audio conference with a Board Docs representative. A spreadsheet comparing current cost of mailing board packets versus moving to a paperless board meeting via Board Docs was shared.
7. Requested the finance committee bring their calendars to the meeting to plan a finance meeting.
8. Updated the board on the Governor's proposed biennium budget and the effect on the ESC and our member school districts.
9. The Bright Local School superintendent search will end on February 18.
10. Our next Board Member Professional Development will be April 16. The session will be "Legalities of Social Media" and "Ask an OSBA Attorney."
11. The Fairfield Bond Issue passed 53% for and 47% against.
12. "Opt out" handout was disseminated.

Tony presented Mr. Mount with a certificate from Ohio Senate for twenty years of Service as a board member.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Resolution #3329)

It was moved by Mr. Wilt and seconded by Mr. Hill to enter into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. to consider the discipline of a public employee or official.

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

Board returned from Executive Session at 7:22 p.m.

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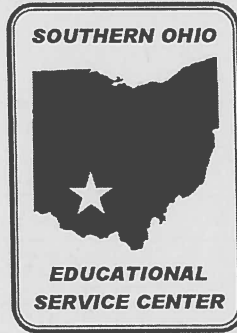
ADJOURNMENT (Resolution #3330)

It was moved by Mr. Luck to adjourn to meet again in regular session on March 24, 2015 at **5:30 p.m.** in room 306A at Laurel Oaks CDC, Wilmington.

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

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**Southern Ohio Educational Service Center
Governing Board**



Resolution #3323

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**In Support of the Miami Trace Local Schools
Bond Issue**

Whereas, the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board recognizes the need to provide for a sound educational program and facilities for the students of Adams, Clinton, Fayette and Highland County, and

Whereas, the Miami Trace Local School District Board of Education has determined a need for a 3.9-mill bond issue to build a new high school, and

Whereas, the residents of the Miami Trace Local School District will be asked on May 5, 2015 to vote for the bond issue,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board expresses its strong support for the bond issue and encourages the citizens of the Miami Trace Local Schools to vote for passage of such.

EAST CLINTON LOCAL SCHOOLS
SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR
FEBRUARY 23, 2015

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- PLEASE REMOVE JAMES BABB FROM YOUR SUB LIST 1/27/15

	Last Name:	First Name:
1.	AKERS	CHESTER "CHET"
2.	DYER	MARY
3.	EDDLEMON	PAIGE
4.	EVERHART	SUZETTE
5.	KINCAID	NATHAN
6.	MATHEWS	SONA
7.	MCCUNE	MEGAN
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Employment Recommendations SOESC

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Highlighted entry denotes additional agenda item

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Last Name	First Name	Tentative Position	Contract Beg.	Contract End	Length of Contract	Days	Schedule	Step	Degree	Amount	Pay Type	Contract Type
Leppert	Erica	Director of Special Education ACOV Schools	2014	2015	1	22	MA (B)	13	Masters	\$293,206	Per Diem	Administrator Cert/Class

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Contract Amendment Recommendations SOESC

Last Name	First Name	Tentative Position	Contract Beginning SY	Contract Ending SY	Change 1	Change 2	Change 3
Leppert	Erica	Director of Special Education ACOV Schools	2014	2015	Moving from Step 4 to Step 13 *Effective March 1, 2015	Increasing Salary from \$44,782.00 to \$49,940.00	n/a

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