

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

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

JULY 20, 2021

The Southern Ohio Educational Service Center Governing Board met on Tuesday, July 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. for its regular monthly meeting. Members present were Mrs. Gausman, Mr. Hill, Mr. Lane, Mr. Mount, Mr. Peck, Mrs. Saylor, and Mr. West, along with Rachel Meyer, Treasurer, and Beth Justice, Superintendent. The guest present was Curt Bradshaw.

APPROVAL TO APPOINT VICE PRESIDENT TO LEAD BOARD MEETING (Resolution #4411)

It was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mr. West to appoint Vice President Mr. Hill to led tonight's board meeting.

The board members present unanimously approved the motion. President of the board, Mr. Mount, declared the motion carried and turned the meeting over to Mr. Hill.

APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA (Resolution #4412)

It was moved by Mrs. Saylor and seconded by Mrs. Gausman to approve the agenda as revised.

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

MINUTE APPROVAL (Resolution #4413)

It was moved by Mr. Peck and seconded by Mr. West that the June 22, 2021 meeting minutes be approved as presented.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

The meeting was opened for public participation on the issue of re-employment of Linda Allen upon retirement on June 30, 2021. No one from the public attended to comment.

The meeting was opened for public participation; none was received.

SOUTHERN OHIO ESC SHARED EXPERTISE

No Shared Expertise due to the majority of staff being off of contract.

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GREAT OAKS ITCD REPORT

Mr. Lane reported that Great Oaks Board met on July 14 with 31 of 35 present. There was no virtual attendance.

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – on September 8, there will be a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new building at Laurel Oaks at 4:30 p.m. with a dinner afterward.

Budget – the projected revenue from the Fair School Funding would provide Great Oaks with a \$1 million increase for FY2022 and another \$1 million increase for FY2023. During the six-year phase-in, Great Oaks could see a 50% increase in funding.

National Skills Contest – 155 students competed in the National Skills Contest.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Peck referenced a copy of "The Link" publication that was provided at the board meeting.

Fair School Funding Plan becomes school-funding formula Gov. **Mike DeWine** signed House Bill (HB) 110, the biennial budget bill that makes operating appropriations for fiscal years (FYs) 2022 and 2023 and included the Fair School Funding Plan (HB 1) as the basis for funding public Education. The bill limits the formula to only applying to FY 2022 and FY 2023 instead of the planned six-year phase-in as written in the House-passed version of the budget bill. Additionally, the budget incorporates language from the House that applied the Student Wellness and Success (SWS) funds to disadvantaged pupil impact aid (DPIA) and the base cost. Senate President **Matt Huffman** (R-Lima) made the following remarks regarding the reason to limit the formula to two years: "I think what we really wanted to do, because this was a bit of a sea change, we wanted to make sure we had two more years' worth of information before the path continues to go down this direction."

The Senate's budget provision regarding school choice options also was included in the final budget. Those changes include:

- increasing the Educational Choice Scholarship (EdChoice), Cleveland, Autism and Jon Peterson voucher amounts;
- expanding eligibility criteria for EdChoice and Cleveland vouchers;
- creating the Afterschool Child Enrichment (ACE) Educational Savings Account Program;
- making income tax deductions for tuition paid to a private school and education expenses for home-schooled students.

Two provisions regarding academic distress commissions (ADC) also were included in the budget bill that DeWine signed. The first provision establishes a process by which **East Cleveland City, Lorain City, and Youngstown City** can be relieved from the oversight of their ADCs and return operational and managerial control to the elected school board. The second provision prohibits the Superintendent of public instruction from establishing new ADCs for the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school years.

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LEGISLATIVE LIAISON REPORT (Cont.)

Additional education provisions include:

- \$50 million in school bus funding in FY 2022;
- requiring school districts to sell or lease unused school buildings in which less than 60% of the building was used for direct academic instruction in the prior year;
- \$250 million for the Residential Broadband Expansion Grant Program (\$230 million in FY 2022 and \$20 million in FY 2023);
- authorizing a school district to operate a building using an online learning model, subject to specific requirements;
- increasing the minimum payment in lieu of transportation (PILOT) amount to be no less than \$539.

Recently introduced legislation

- HB 334 introduced by Reps. **Lisa A. Sobecki** (D-Toledo) and **Catherine D. Ingram** (D-Cincinnati) to require school district, joint vocational school district (JVSD), and ESC board members to complete approved training in ethics, open meeting, and public records laws and increases the maximum payment such a member can receive for attending a meeting and a training program.
- HB 335 introduced by Rep. **Jean Schmidt** (R-Miami Township) to require the Ohio Ethics Commission to post online the financial disclosure documents filed by a person who holds an elective office or a person who is an administrative department head.
- HB 350 introduced by Rep. **Al Cutrona** (R-Canfield), to prohibit school districts and state agencies, among others, from requiring a COVID-19 vaccination; prohibit school districts and state agencies, among others, from requiring proof of a COVID-19 vaccination; prohibit discrimination against individuals based on their COVID-19 vaccination status; and prohibit an employer, other than a health care entity or practitioner, from taking an adverse employment action against an individual based on the individual's COVID-19 vaccination status.
- Mr. Peck also reported there is a new reading standard for the third-grade reading guarantee.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mrs. Meyer reviewed the monthly reports with the board.

APPROVAL OF PAID BILLS (Resolution #4414)

It was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mrs. Saylor that the paid bills for the previous month be approved as presented, for a total of \$986,523.71.

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

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APPROVAL OF TRANSFER (Resolution #4415)

Upon the recommendation of Treasurer Meyer, it was moved by Mrs. Gausman and seconded by ~~Mrs. Charters~~ to approve the following transfer of funds:

Mr. Peck RM

<u>Transfer FROM:</u>	<u>Transfer TO:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
ESC General Fund (001-0000)	Termination/Retirement Benefits Fund (001-9050)	\$35,000.00

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

TREASURER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Fiscal Office Update:

- We are officially in FY 2022! We completed the steps necessary to close the fiscal year 2021 on July 6th. A BIG THANK YOU to Rhonda and Amanda for a job well done!

Professional Development:

- On July 15, I will attend the Ennis Britton School Law Year in Review webinar provided by Ennis Britton Co., LPA. A legal overview will be provided and real-life examples to help participants navigate and understand the complicated legal environment.
- On July 27, I will attend the MVECA Redesign Activity Ledger Training webinar, where participants will learn helpful tools and tips on utilizing grids in the redesigned software.
- On July 28, I will attend the New School Funding Bill overview provided by the OULP. Aaron Rausch, Director, Office of Budget and School Funding, Ohio Department of Education, will be the speaker.

PERSONNEL CONTRACT AGREEMENTS: ESC (Resolution #4416)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Justice, it was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mrs. Saylor that the board approves employment contracts for the following personnel subject to the provision of ORC 3319.02, ORC 3319.08, and/or ORC 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:

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SOESC CONTRACT AGREEMENTS

Name	Tentative Position	Contract Dates	Length	Days	Degree	Schedule/ Step/Rate	Contract Type	Comments
Carr, Timothy "TJ"	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Chaney, Jeanne	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Crowder, Angela	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Douglas, Keri	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Foster, Emily	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Frary, Amy	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Gomez, Alyssa	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Hatfield, Judy	Substitute Adm. Asst.	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	M/ Step 0/ \$12.11 per hour	Classified Substitute	SOESC
Hilton, Erica	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Lindsey, JoAnne	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Marsh, Linda	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Moore, Gaye E.	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Noronha, Jane	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Penwell-Purdin, Katie	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Peters, Matthew	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Reilly, Robin	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Rinehart, Kameron	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Roeper, Ethel "Jean"	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
White, Deborah	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC
Young, Stephani	Substitute Teacher	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	No Schedule/ No Step/ \$100.00 per diem	Certificated	SOLC

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PERSONNEL CONTRACT AGREEMENTS: ESC (Cont.)

East Clinton Substitutes

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| 1. Allen, Kimberly | 14. Gomez, Alyssa | 27. Morrow, Morgan |
| 2. Bailey, Mary J. | 15. Hatch, Teresa | 28. Myers, Sylvia |
| 3. Beiting, Heather | 16. Hilton, Erica | 29. Old, Cynthia |
| 4. Bloom, Lindsay | 17. Hollon, Pete | 30. Peters, Matthew |
| 5. Burnem, Amanda | 18. Holmes, Kylie | 31. Reed, Denise |
| 6. Chaney, Jeanne | 19. Justice, Paulette | 32. Rinehart, Kameron |
| 7. Cook, Belinda | 20. Kincaid, Penelope | 33. Roeper, Ethel "Jean" |
| 8. Crowder, Angela | 21. Malloy, Tara | 34. Snodgrass, Amber |
| 9. Douglas, Keri | 22. Marsh, Linda | 35. Stewart, Courtney |
| 10. Flichman, Kenneth | 23. Miller, Connie | 36. Terrell, Erica |
| 11. Frary, Amy | 24. Milner, Sarah | 37. Whalen, Tiffany |
| 12. Gerber, Regina | 25. Mitchell, Jerred | 38. Young, Shawn |
| 13. Gilmore, Phillip | 26. Moore, Gaye E. | 39. Young, Stephani |

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

REQUEST SPECIALIST LICENSE FOR PAULA ARMSTRONG (Resolution #4417)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Justice, it was moved by Mrs. Saylor and seconded by Mr. Lane to request an *Alternative Administrative Specialist License for Paula Armstrong for the purpose of being Team Leader to the Cooperative Motor Team.*

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

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APPROVAL OF SOUTHERN OHIO ESC/R14 EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK (Resolution #4418)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Justice, it was moved by Mr. West and seconded by Mr. Mount to approve the employee handbook as presented for Southern Ohio ESC/Region 14.

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

APPROVAL OF SOLC STUDENT-PARENT HANDBOOK (Resolution #4419)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Justice, it was moved by Mrs. Gausman and seconded by Mr. West to approve the Southern Ohio Learning Center Student-Parent Handbook as presented.

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

APPROVAL OF PROVIDER CONTRACT (Resolution #4420)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Justice, it was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mr. Peck to approve the following provider contract as listed:

SOESC PROVIDER CONTRACT

<u>Client</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Ohio Department of Education	School Improvement and Special Education Services	07/01/2021 – 06/30/2022	\$1,464,815.52

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APPROVAL OF POLICY MANUAL UPDATE (Resolution #4421)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Justice, it was moved by Mr. Lane and seconded by Mr. Mount to approve the following update to the policy manual as listed:

UPDATE (Regulation) Policy:

EDE-R-1 Computer / Online Services
(Acceptable Use and Internet Safety)
(Staff/Community Member Agreement)

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

APPROVAL OF UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST (Resolution #4422)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Justice, it was moved by Mrs. Saylor and seconded by Mr. Peck to approve an unpaid leave of absence request for **Linda Klump** from July 31, 2021, to July 30, 2022.

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

PERSONNEL CONTRACT RESIGNATION: R14 (Resolution #4423)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Justice, it was moved by Mrs. Gausman and seconded by Mr. West to approve the resignation of the following personnel:

R14 Contract Resignation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Contract Type</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Cartee, Rachel	Substitute Teacher Hearing Impaired/Deaf Virtual	Certificated	07/06/2021

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

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PERSONNEL CONTRACT AGREEMENTS (Resolution #4424)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Justice, it was moved by Mrs. Saylor and seconded by Mr. Lane 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:

R14 CONTRACT AGREEMENTS

Name	Tentative Position	Contract Dates	Length	Days	Degree	Schedule/Step/Rate	Contract Type	Comments
Armstrong, Paula	Occupational Therapist	2020-2021	1 Year	As Needed	Master's	Related M/ Step 8/ \$54.76 per hour	Certificated Supplemental	Wilmington Student
Huff, Kelly	Itinerant Teacher for the Hearing Impaired/Deaf	2021-2022	1 Year	8	Master's	Itinerant M/ Step 14/ \$2,876.00	Certificated Supplemental	
Kelch, Linda	Substitute Administrative Assistant	2021-2022	1 Year	As Needed	No Degree on Schedule	N/ Step 3/ \$21.41 per hour	Classified Substitute	One day a week/ 7 Hrs/ Retire-Rehire

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

PERSONNEL CONTRACT AMENDMENT (Resolution #4425)

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Justice, it was moved by Mr. Peck and seconded by Mrs. Gausman to approve the following contract amendment:

R14 Contract Amendment

Name	Position	Contract Dates	Change 1	Change 2
Huff, Kelly	Itinerant Teacher for Hearing Impaired/Deaf	2021-2022	Change contract workdays from 169 to 184 days	Change salary from \$60,763.00 to \$66,156.00

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

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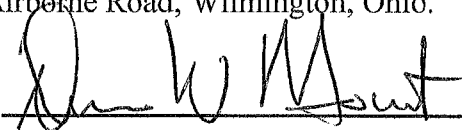
SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Superintendent Justice shared the following with the board:


1. OAC 3301-105-01 Funding for Educational Service Centers – Included in the packet for board member review.
2. Semi-annual Bullying Report – No bullying to report.
3. SOESC Opening Day – Taking place on 08/13/2021; already had a planning meeting.
4. Superintendent upcoming vacation – Mrs. Justice will be on vacation 07/26 – 30/2021. She may have limited access at times to cell phone and internet connectivity.
5. Meetings – Health Commissioners have begun discussions regarding COVID restrictions and recommendations.
6. Innovation Team – Mrs. Justice shared she is so appreciative of the Innovation team. They have been presenting at district board meetings regarding ESC services.
7. Grow and Lead Survey results were disseminated.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Peck and seconded by Mr. West to adjourn to meet again in regular session on Tuesday, August 24, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., at Southern Ohio Educational Service Center, Airborne Road, Wilmington, Ohio.

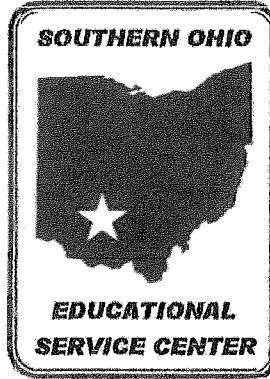


BOARD PRESIDENT



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Resolution

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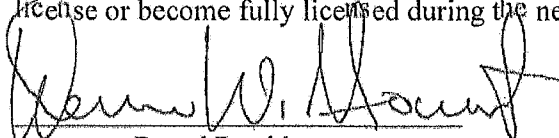
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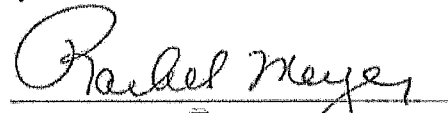
**IN SUPPORT OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST LICENSE
FOR PAULA ARMSTRONG**

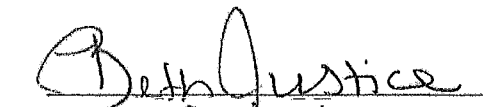
An Alternative Administrative Specialist License for Paula Armstrong for the purpose of being Team Leader to the Cooperative Motor Team:

Whereas: The Southern Ohio Educational Service Center (SOESC) Governing Board hereby requests that Paula Armstrong, Occupational Therapist, be issued an Alternative Administrative Specialist License for the purpose of being Team Leader to the Cooperative Motor Team for the 2021-22 school year.

Whereas: The SOESC Governing Board understands that Paula will be working under the alternative license during the upcoming school year. Paula will conform to Ohio Department of Education Office of Licensure requirements to renew the alternative license or become fully licensed during the next two years.


Board President


Treasurer


Superintendent