

**OHIO COMMUNITY GRADE SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT #17**



The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Ohio Grade School District #17 was held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

1.1 Roll Call

Grade School Board members present: Fitzpatrick, Hansen, Albrecht, Cassidy

Grade School Board members not present: Reuter, Anderson

Administrator present: Superintendent Hamilton, Assistant Superintendent Jennifer Donnelly

Board Recording Secretary: Kelly Becker

Other attendees: Kristen Ryan

1.2 Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Albrecht, seconded by Cassidy to approve the agenda as amended.

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried.

II. PUBLIC SESSION

None

III. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

None

IV. CONSENT ITEMS IN ENCLOSED IN PACKET

4.1 Approval of Minutes for March 20, 2023 Regular Board Meeting as presented.

4.2 Approval of Treasurer's and Activity Account Report for March.

4.3 Approval of Payment of March Bills (\$17,671.69) which were prepared 4/12/2023 at 1:38 AM and Payroll (\$89,748.05).

Motion made by Albrecht, seconded by Hansen, to approve consent items in packet as presented.

Roll call; Hansen, Albrecht, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried.

V. PRINCIPAL REPORT

5.1 Attendance average this month was 93.9%.

5.2 IAR/ISA Testing April 11-21 has been going very well. This week is mainly makeup testing for students who were absent. Fortunately attendance has been good so not a lot of makeup testing to do.

5.3 Sports Update- Track going well. Sectionals May 6 at Erie HS.

5.4 Sports Physicals: Ohio Schools will host the annual Sports Physical Clinic (for grades 4-11) on Monday, May 8th through OSF St. Francis Hospital starting at 8:30 am. This is a **FREE** sport physical exam provided to your child at **NO COST** to you; parents do not need to attend. If your child does not receive the sports physical through the school, and are planning on participating in any sporting event during the 23/24 school year, you will be responsible for getting their physical through your own family physician.

5.5 Upcoming End of the Year Events -

- 4/6 - K-2 Field Trip to Circa 21
- 4/6 - 8th Grade Field Trip to Springfield
- 4/24-Culver's Donate While You Dine, starting at 5:00 PM
- 4/26-Grandparents Day K-8
- 4/28-5th Grade Conservation Day
- 5/4-8th Grade Field Trip to WACC
- 5/5-Spring Concert @ 7:00 PM
- 5/11-GS Sports/Activity Banquet, 6:30 PM
- 5/16-K-5, Brookfield Zoo, leaving at 8:00 AM
- 5/17-K-5 Biomes
- 5/20-GS Graduation, at 1:00 in the auditorium.
- 5/20-HS Graduation at 2:00 in the gym
- 5/22-8-12 Grade Field Trip to Illinois Holocaust Museum
- 5/24-Field Trip to Six Flags 6-12
- 5/24-Zearing Park K-5
- 5/25-Awards, NHS Inductions, Last 12:00 PM Dismiss

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- 6.1 Enrollment: Pre-K thru 8: 86 (New boy in 5th grade) HS-29 Total-115
- 6.2 Employee Health Insurance: BCBS renewal rates have been calculated by Gallagher we will have a slight increase to \$744.18 for the BlueEdge HSA (\$2500 deductible), which is under the Board agreed upon cap of \$772.50 per month for each certified staff.
- 6.3 Summer Projects: The summer lights and ceiling project is scheduled to begin on May 30, 2023 and conclude by June 30, 2023. This project does not include any asbestos abatement. The front, north door is scheduled to be replaced the week of May 29, 2023. New handles and locks will be installed on all interior classroom doors this summer as well.
- 6.4 Certification of Graduating students: Moving forward, instead of certifying that students have met all of their graduation requirements during a Board meeting one month prior to the actual graduation date, we will simply certify the graduating class prior to the ceremony. This provides every student an equal opportunity to meet the graduation requirements within the established school year and not one month prior to graduation.
- 6.5 TIF District: The town council would like to meet next with 2 Board members to discuss the future of the Ohio TIF District. Rachael Fitzpatrick and Robert Albrecht both said they could be available on the dates Mayor Thomas had provided to Mrs. Hamilton.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

No need to go into the Closed Session.

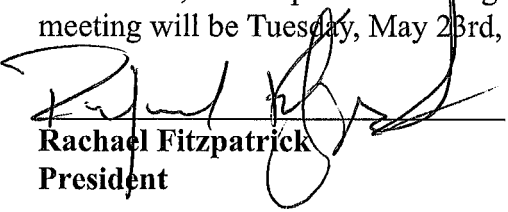
VIII. ACTION ITEMS


- 8.1 Motion by Hansen, seconded by Albrecht to approve yearly IESA Contract and fees.
Roll call; Yes; Albrecht, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick, Hansen
Nay: none. Motion Carried.
- 8.2 Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Hansen to approve Health Insurance Renewal with Gallagher.
Roll call; Yes; Cassidy, Fitzpatrick, Hansen, Albrecht
Nay: none. Motion Carried.

- 8.3 First reading of Policy Updates March 2023 Press Issue 111. No action needed at this time.
- 8.4 Motion by Albrecht, seconded by Cassidy to approve Mrs. Amy (Fleck) Otto's leave of absence request For the remainder of the school year.
Roll call; Yes; Fitzpatrick, Hansen, Albrecht, Cassidy
Nay: none. Motion Carried.
- 8.5 Motion by Hansen, seconded by Cassidy to approve the appointment of Architectural Firm: Architects Richard L. Johnson & Scott Johnson Rockford, IL.
Roll call; Yes; Hansen, Albrecht, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick
Nay: none. Motion Carried.
- 8.6 Motion by Cassidy, seconded by Hansen to approve the Contract for Vision and Hearing Screening Services 2023-2024-Sharon Kuntz.
Roll call; Yes; Albrecht, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick, Hansen
Nay: none. Motion Carried.
- 8.7 Motion by Cassidy, seconded by Hansen to approve the Contract for School Nurse Services 2023-2024-Sue Cater.
Roll call; Yes; Cassidy, Fitzpatrick, Hansen, Albrecht
Nay: none. Motion Carried.
- 8.8 Motion by Hansen, seconded Albrecht by to approve the employment of Amy Forristall as the new 5th grade teacher.
Roll call; Yes; Fitzpatrick, Hansen, Albrecht, Cassidy
Nay: none. Motion Carried.
- 8.9 Motion by Cassidy, seconded Albrecht by to approve the employment of Taylor May as a Paraprofessional.
Roll call; Yes; Hansen, Albrecht, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick
Nay: none. Motion Carried.
- 8.10 Motion by Cassidy, seconded by Albrecht to approve the employment of Olivia Lennon as the Business teacher.
Roll call; Yes; Albrecht, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick, Hansen
Nay: none. Motion Carried.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- 9.1 Motion by Hansen, seconded by Cassidy to adjourn this meeting at 6:23 PM. The vote was unanimous, whereupon the meeting was declared adjourned. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023 at 6:00 PM in the District Office.


Rachael Fitzpatrick
President


Kelly Becker
Secretary