

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

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The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Ohio Grade School District #17 was held on Tuesday, November 15, 2022

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, Albrecht, Reuter, Piper, Cassidy

Grade School Board members present not present: Hansen, Anderson

Administrator present: Superintendent Hamilton, Assistant Superintendent Donnelly

Board Recording Secretary: Kelly Becker (Absent)

Other attendees: Kristen Ryan

1.2 Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Albrecht, second by Reuter to approve the agenda as presented. The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried.

II. CONSENT ITEMS IN ENCLOSED IN PACKET

2.1 Approve the minutes of the October 18, 2022 Regular Meeting.

2.2 Approval of Treasurer's and Activity Account Reports.

2.3 Approval of Payment of October Bills (\$202,624.37) which were prepared 11/10/2022 at 9:36 AM and Payroll (\$93,195.63).

Motion made by Reuter, second by Cassidy to approve consent items in packet as presented.

Roll call; Yes: Albrecht, Reuter, Piper, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick

Nay: none. Motion Carried.

III. PUBLIC SESSION

None

IV. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

None

V. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

5.1 Attendance Update: Attendance for Grade School was down a little at 95.1.

5.2 School Report Card Update: Ohio Grade School District #17 received a Commendable Summative Designation. This goes to schools that have no underperforming student groups, a graduation rate greater than 67% and whose performance is not in the top 10% of schools statewide.

5.3 Thanksgiving Feast: K-5 and Seniors will be held on November 22, 2022.

- 5.4 Santa Elves Bake Sale: Will be held on Saturday, November 19, from 9:00 AM until noon. The Bake Sale will be held at Harry's. This Bake Sale supports the Junior High Santa's Elves program to raise money to purchase Christmas gifts for underprivileged children.
- 5.5 Sports Update: 8th Grade Night is Thursday, November 17th at 4:00.
8th Grade Boys Basketball players: Logan Bradley and Colby Hansen
8th Grade Cheerleaders: Liberty Cassidy, Aliyah Ringenberg, Skyler Spohn.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- 6.1 Enrollment: Pre-K thru 8: 86 students HS: 29 students TOTAL-115
- 6.2 Elections: Packets are due to the County Clerk's Office December 12th through December 19th. Courthouse hours are 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM. Make sure you have everything signed when you turn it in.
- 6.3 2023/2024 School Calendar: Typically, we approve the school calendar in December. Preliminary work has begun and a draft calendar has been submitted for teacher input. A tentative 23/24 calendar will be on a later agenda for Board approval.
- 6.4 Fund Balance Review and Investments: We are currently receiving very low interest rates on our fund balances, so accounts are changing slightly and Dist 17 can take advantage of higher interest rates. The Midland account will move to a sweep account where the majority of our fund balances receive 3.01% interest (an increase of 2.75%). Additionally, \$500,000 has been moved to our account with Heartland Bank and will receive 3.25% interest which will pay out monthly.
- 6.5 December Meeting: In the past years the Board has canceled the December meeting due to limited items on the agenda. With Board approval, we will cancel this December meeting and if necessary, we will schedule an additional meeting to discuss any District business that arises.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

- 7.1 Motion by Reuter, second by Piper, to approve the FY22 Audit as presented.
Roll call; Yes; Albrecht, Reuter, Piper, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 7.2 Motion by Albrecht, second by Piper, to approve the FY23 Levy as proposed at last months meeting.
Roll call; Yes; Reuter, Piper, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick, Albrecht
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 7.3 Motion by Albrecht, second by Reuter, pending approval of Amboy School Board, approved cooperative agreement with Amboy for all Junior High Sports (excluding track) 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025 school terms (when Ohio Consolidated Grade School does not have enough student interest for a home Ohio team) and shall commence upon November 15th, 2022.
Roll call; Yes; Piper, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick, Albrecht, Reuter
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 7.4 Motion by Albrecht, second by Reuter, to approve the hiring of Alexandria Fehlhafer as the K-8 Art teacher for the 2023/24 school year.
Roll call; Yes; Cassidy, Fitzpatrick, Albrecht, Reuter, Piper
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

- 7.5 Motion by Piper, second by Cassidy, to approve the hiring of Madison Vergamini as the Special Education Coordinator/Social Worker for the 2023/24 school year. Roll call; Yes; Fitzpatrick, Albrecht, Reuter, Piper, Cassidy
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 7.6 Motion by Cassidy, second by Piper, to approve the cancellation of the December 2022 Board meeting due to no Action Items, and gave approval to the administration to pay November bills and payroll. Roll call; Yes; Albrecht, Reuter, Piper, Cassidy, Fitzpatrick
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION
CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION MINUTES AND RESIGNATIONS

There was no need to go into closed session.

IX. ACTION AFTER CLOSED SESSION

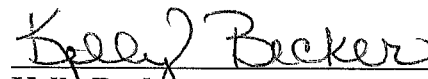
None

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Albrecht, second by Piper, to adjourn this meeting at 6:32 PM. The vote was unanimous, whereupon the meeting was declared adjourned. **The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 6:00PM. The meeting will be held in the District Office.**



Rachael Fitzpatrick
President



Kelly Becker
Secretary