

**OHIO COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT #505**

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The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Ohio High School District #505 was held Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M.

1.1 Roll Call

High School Board members present: Albrecht, Hacker, Kaecker, Deery, Reka

High School Board members not present: Campbell, Park

Administrator present: Superintendent Hamilton, Principal Wilt

Other attendees: Kristen Ryan

1.2 Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Deery, seconded by Kaecker to approve the agenda as amended.

The vote was unanimous. Motion Carried.

II. CONSENT ITEMS IN ENCLOSED IN PACKET

2.1 Approval of Minutes for the January 30, 2024 Regular meeting as presented.

2.2 Approval of Treasurer's and Activity Account Reports from January.

2.3 Approval of Payment of January bills \$13,834.84 which were prepared 2/13/2024 @ 3:09 PM and 2/5/24 Payroll \$24,633.72.

Motion made by Kaecker, seconded Deery by to approve consent items in packet as presented.

Roll call; Yes; Hacker, Kaecker, Deery, Reka, Albrecht

Nay: none. Motion Carried.

III. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

3.1 None

IV. OLD/NEWS BUSINESS

4.1 None

V. PRINCIPAL REPORT

5.1 Attendance Update: January attendance took a nice jump back up to 91.4

5.2 Parent/Teacher Conferences: Parent/teacher conferences were February 13th and 15th.

5.3 5 Essentials Survey: Students in grades 4-12 will complete the required survey at school. Teachers will be taking the survey on March 22 during our School Improvement Day. Parents are encouraged to complete the survey.

5.4 Variety Show: February 23, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

- 5.5 John Ourth Recognition: The John Ourth Recognition Breakfast is being held on Thursday, February 29th. We have two High School students being honored, Seniors Troy Anderson and Lucas Cassidy. We also have one Grade School student being honored, 8th grader Ashlynn Hellrung. Congratulations!
- 5.6 Daddy Daughter Dance: The PTO sponsored a Daddy Daughter dance on Friday, February 16th
- 5.7 Homecoming: Homecoming week starts Monday, March 18th thru Saturday, 23rd, which is the night the dance will be held from 8:00-10:30 PM. There will be daily dress up and games sponsored by the Student Council. To end the week there will be an "in-house" tournament Friday, March 22nd starting at 6:00 with 3 games in total: Seniors/Juniors vs. Ohio staff, Sophomores/Freshmen vs. Alumni, and the final game will be a championship game between the winners of the first 2 games. Should be a fun family night!
- 5.8 Family Skate Night: Family Skate Night will be held on Thursday, March 14th. It's another great family night. Details on the time will be in the newsletter.
- 5.9 Sports Update: High school girls and boys basketball regionals. The girl's basketball team played in the Regional Championship game on Friday, February 16, 2024.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- 6.1 Enrollment: Pre-K thru 8: 76 students HS: 25 students TOTAL: 101
- 6.2 Non Certified staff raises: A proposal to increase non certified staff raises effective July 1, 2024 is an action item. The proposal is to increase non certified salaries by the same percentage that the Board added to the base salary of the certified staff (13%).
- 6.3 Principal's contract: Mr. Wilt's contract expires this Spring and the recommendation of both superintendents is that we offer a new 3 year contract that will expire June 30, 2027.
- 6.4 Follow up discussion: Last month the Board discussed the pros and cons of consolidating the GS and HS District, with a decision made to not pursue consolidation. The enrollment for the 2024/25 school year is anticipated to be 26 students; the enrollment for the 2025/26 school year is anticipated to be 25 students. This trend appears to continue for the foreseeable future. The board asked Mrs. Hamilton to explore additional options for the High School Board to consider as enrollment decreases and it is becoming more challenging to hire highly qualified teachers.
- 6.5 E-learning Program Update: On February 6, 2024, our Regional Superintendent shared ISBE's newly released guidance regarding e-learning days. The guidance states that, "A district that has adopted an e-learning program must use all five e-learning days and all proposed emergency days before requesting an AOG day." The guidance also states, "A district can take action to nullify an existing e-learning program. The school board would have to take a vote to nullify the program."

VII. CLOSED SESSION

- 7.1 None

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

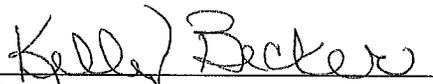
- 8.1 Motion by Deery, seconded by Kaecker to approve the employment of Jim Nugent as Summer 2024 Drivers Education teacher. Roll Call; Kaecker, Deery, Reka, Albrecht, Hacker
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

- 8.2 Motion by Kaecker, seconded by Reka to approve Non-Certified Staff Raises in the amount of 13% starting July 1, 2024.
Roll Call; Deery, Reka, Albrecht, Hacker, Kaecker
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.3 Motion by Deery, seconded by Kaecker to approve Retirement Incentive Memo of Understanding.
Roll Call; Reka, Albrecht, Hacker, Kaecker, Deery
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.4 Motion by Reka, seconded by Deery to approve the increase of substitute paraprofessional pay to \$15.00 per hour effective 2024/2025 school year.
Roll Call; Albrecht, Hacker, Kaecker, Deery, Reka
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.5 Motion by Deery, seconded by Reka to approve a 3 year Principal Contract with Jason Wilt for 2024/2025 through 2026/2027 with a 4% raise.
Roll Call; Hacker, Kaecker, Deery, Reka, Albrecht
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.6 Motion by Kaecker, seconded by Reka to approve the nullification of the E-Learning Program.
Roll Call; Kaecker, Deery, Reka, Albrecht, Hacker
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.7 Motion by Deery, seconded by Kaecker to approve Ohio High School as a school-wide Title I School. (Needed for Grants)
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.
- 8.8 Motion by Deery, seconded by Kaecker to approve the Ohio High School comprehensive consolidated plan. (Needed for Grants)
The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

X. ADJOURNMENT

- 9.1 Motion by Hacker, seconded by Reka to adjourn this meeting at 8:12 PM. The vote was unanimous, whereupon the meeting was declared adjourned. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be **Tuesday, March 19, 2024 @ 7:00 PM** in the District Office.


Harold Albrecht
President


Kelly Becker
Secretary