

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**Minutes of **AMHERST EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT**Regular  
MeetingHeld at the M.L. Steele Creative Learning Center at 5:30 p.m. Apr 15  
2019

President Rex Engle presided. Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call vote:

Rex Engle, present; Marc Zappa, present; Teresa Gilles, present; Valerie Neidert absent; Ron Yacobozzi, present.

Steven Sayers, Superintendent, present; Amelia R. Gioffredo, Treasurer/CFO, present.

This meeting and notices of all meetings are in compliance with O.R.C. 121.22. This Board of Education shall discuss in Executive Session only those items allowed in O.R.C. 121.22.

2019-04-01

It was moved by Yacobozzi and seconded by Zappa to adopt the agenda as presented, including any addendums.

Roll call vote:

Yacobozzi, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, Aye; Gilles, aye; Neidert, absent

Mrs. Neidert arrived at 5:40 p.m.

Good New Reports:

**Mrs. Beth Schwartz** – Powers Elementary School

- Spoke about Big Brothers and Big Sisters

**Ms. Jill Jiovanazzo** – Nord School

- Art Show
- Literacy night – May 15, 2019

**Mr. Steve Sayers, Superintendent**

- State of the Schools, Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 7 pm.
- New Administrators:

**Doug Cogdell** – Technology Director

**Nikki Campbell** – Assistant HS Principal

**Mike Molnar** recognized **Mark Kostur** for his service.

Public Hearing on the following Federal Grant Program applications:

- **IDEA-B**, Special Education
- **IDEA-ECSE**, Early Childhood Special Education
- **Title I-A**, Improving Basic Programs
- **Title II-A**, Supporting Effective Instruction
- **Title III**, Limited English Proficiency
- **Title IV-A**, Student Support and Academic Enrichment

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Amelia Gioffredo:

- Tyler Conference
- MUNIS training for Administration
- Rev/Exp by Forecast Line

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It was moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Zappa to approve the following:

- A. Amend and/or approve the board minutes for the 3/18/19 Regular Board Meeting.
- B. Approve the treasurer's financial reports for the month of March 2019. (See exhibits 9A, 9B, and 9C)
- C. Approve the revision of appropriations and the "412 certificate:
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|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| • 001-0000 Gen Fund      | from \$38,127,953 to \$40,127,953 |
| • 006-0000 Food Service  | from \$1,257,800 to \$1,357,800   |
| • 008-0000 SF Foundation | from \$7,500 to \$13,500          |
| • 200-9158 VoEd          | from \$400 to \$587.78            |
| • 200-9303 Nord Choir    | from \$1,700 to \$3,700           |
| • 300-0000 Athletics     | from \$154,275 to \$162,775       |
| • 401-9218 Auxiliary     | from \$161,616.15 to \$177,314.83 |
| • 572-9219 FY 19 Title I | from \$381,614.17 to \$378,305.88 |
| • 599-9219 Title IV-A    | from \$35,408.35 to \$35,359.81   |
- D. Approve the following fund to fund transfers:
- |                       |               |             |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| • <del>\$4,000</del>  | from 029-9211 | to 029-9217 |
| • <del>\$323.63</del> | from 029-9216 | to 029-9217 |
| • <del>\$199.72</del> | from 029-9218 | to 029-9217 |
- E. Approve the **Resolution** accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor as per **Exhibit 9D**.
- F. Enter into an agreement with **CompManagement** (Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective-Rating Program – program of OSBA & OASBO) as per **Exhibit 9E**.
- G. Accept and acknowledge the receipt of the following donations to the Amherst Schools:
- **Comet Athletic Boosters** for a donation of **\$8,205** to the hockey team for payment of ice time and a donation of **\$8,062.50** to the swim team for fees incurred.
  - **IE Enterprises of Lorain, LLC** for a donation of \$100 to Amherst Jr. High's student book club.
  - **Amherst Bidy Wrestling** for a donation of \$650 to pay for wrestling officials.

Roll call vote:

Yacobozzi, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye; Gilles, aye; Neidert, aye.

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## Notes:

- State of the schools
- Spanish teacher – Powers Elementary

## Administrative Committee Reports:

**Mr. Mike Molnar, Assistant Superintendent**

## Notes:

- Tours abroad
- Power Schools online registration
- Mr. Engle asked about App for website

**Mr. Rex Engle, JVS Representative**

## Notes:

- Debate whether to present P.I. Levy – they will likely move in that direction.

**Other Reports (Administrative Standing Committees)**

Note: - None

2019-04-03

Moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Neidert to approve the following:

## A. Accept the following resignations as indicated:

- **Luther Randelman**, PT Bus Driver, effective 4/15/19

B. Approve up to 15 transition days for **Charles Cogdell**, to work during the month of May 2019, to be paid at his per diem rate.C. Approve the hiring of **Charles Cogdell**, as **Technology Supervisor**, as per the Administrative salary schedule, effective 6/1/19 through 7/31/21.D. Employ **Kristen Nicole Campbell**, as Assistant Principal at M.L. Steele, on a two (2) year, 210-day administrative contract as per the administrative salary schedule, effective 8/1/19, pending completion of all employment requirements, including, but not limited to licensure and a BCI & FBI background check.

## E. Employ the following individual(s), as indicated, on a 30 or 60-day probationary contract, for the 2018-2019 school year pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to a background check. Proper placement on the negotiated salary schedule pending verification of all prior experience:

- **Yolanda Koziel**, 60-day probationary contract, Custodian II/Cleaner, M.L. Steele, effective 4/16/19
- **Devin Saltis**, 60-day probationary contract, Custodian II/Cleaner, M.L. Steele, effective 5/6/19
- **Damon Wallace**, 60-day probationary contract, Landscaper, effective 4/29/19

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- F. Employ the following individual(s) as certified and/or classified substitutes for the 2018/2019 school year, as indicated, with compensation at the board approved substitute rates pending completion of all employment requirements including, but not limited to licensure/certification (if required) and a BCI & FBI background check:
- Kelli Wammes, Classified, effective 4/15/19
  - Luther Randleman, Bus Driver, effective 4/16/19
- G. Approve the changes in contracted status for the following individuals for the 2019-2020 school year as indicated:
- Amanda Sears, Technology Integration Specialist, from 153 days to (FT) 184 days.
- H. Approve the changes in assignment for the following individuals for the 2019-2020 school year as per Attachment 12A.
- I. Grant a supplemental contract to the following individuals for the spring and/or year-round extra-curricular activities during the 2018-2019 school year, pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to Pupil Activity Permit, if required for positions, and a BCI and FBI background check with compensation at the board approved rate:
- Kayla Nunez-Knowlton, Assistant Jr. High Track Coach (1/2 contract)  
\*Correction from the March board meeting (not Varsity Assistant Track Coach 1/2 contract).
- J. Non-renew all supplemental and extra-curricular contracts at the end of the 2018-2019 school year as per the negotiated agreement.
- K. Non-renew all substitute contracts at the end of the 2018-2019 school year as per the negotiated agreement.
- L. Non-renew the following Title-I Tutor contracts at the end of the 2018-2019 school year as per the negotiated agreement pending funding and/or changes in the Title I Program as per Attachment 12B.
- M. Accept the recommendation for the following certified personnel to receive a continuing contract beginning with the 2019-2020 school year:
- Kevin Collins
  - Stephanie Federer
  - Jill Galloway
  - Lisa Hareula
- N. Grant the following certified personnel a limited contract for the 2019- 2020 school year as per Attachment 12C. (See Attachment 12D for all other certified employees who are presently under contract for the 2019-2020 school year and will be issued a salary notice).
- O. Re-employ the following special needs paraprofessionals for the 2019-2020 school year as per the negotiated agreement pending completion of all employment requirements being met. i.e., proper licensure/ESEA qualification from ODE as per Attachment 12E.

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- P. Grant the following supplemental contracts for extended service for certified personnel in the 2019-2020 school year:
- o Yvette Cable, Psychologist 10 days
  - o Robert Hareula, Guidance Counselor, 15 days
  - o Megan Jarmusz, Psychologist, 10 days
  - o Mary Jane Loushin, Guidance Counselor, 15 days
  - o Mark Lowrie, TV Productions, 20 days
  - o Andrea Massie, Psychologist, 10 days
  - o Sarah Rigda, Guidance Counselor, 15 days
  - o Mary Scott Williams, Guidance Counselor, 12 days
- Q. Approve the discretionary funds supplemental contracts for the 2018-2019 school year as per the negotiated agreement and as indicated per Attachment 12F.
- R. Approve Deborah Waller as Interim Assistant Principal at Nord School, August 1, 2019 through December 20, 2019, on a per diem basis, as needed, as per Exhibit 12A.
- S. Grant the following individuals, who have completed their probationary contract, a limited contract or return to a continuing contract status as indicated:
- o Lorilee Cohoon, FT Van Aide, balance of a one-year contract, effective 4/30/19
  - o Evelyn Delgado, PT Bus Driver, balance of a one-year contract, effective 4/24/19
  - o Anthony N. Jordan, Custodian II/Cleaner, AJH, balance of a one-year contract, effective 4/26/19
  - o Amanda Skiddle, PT Van Aide; balance of a one-year contract, effective 4/30/19
  - o Christopher Taylor, Custodian II/Cleaner, AJH, balance of a one-year contract, effective 4/26/19
- T. Grant up to five (5) additional work days for the 2019-2020 school year, for Amanda Sears, Technology Integration Specialist, to provide Professional Development, at her per diem rate.
- U. Approve the unpaid leave of absence for Jennifer Werner, ML Steele, PT Aide, effective 4/11/19 through 5/25/19.
- V. Employ the following individuals, as indicated, for the Comet Relays (4/20/19):
- Leanne Durdak  
Beth Gillam  
Michelle Kamezye  
Tammy Klekota  
Brian Kelley  
Wendi Lowe  
Michele Sturgeon  
Debora Zvara

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W. Approve **Brian Kelley** as Varsity Track Announcer, for the 2018-2019 school year, to be paid according to the Ancillary Salary table.

Roll Call Vote:

Yacobozzi, aye; Neidert, aye; Engle, aye; Gilles, aye; Zappa, aye

2019-04-04

Moved by Gilles seconded by Neidert to approve the following:

- A. Approve the agreement with the **Lorain County Board of Developmental Disabilities (LCBDD)** to provide educational services to eligible individuals as per **Exhibit 13A**.
- B. Approve the 36-month agreement with **PowerSchool** for unified enrollment and registration as per **Exhibit 13B**.
- C. Enter into a contract with the **Cleveland Clinic Lerner School for Autism** to provide specially designed instruction for two (2) Amherst students with special needs for the 2019-2020 school year as per **Exhibit**.
- D. Approve the new and/or revised board policies as per **Exhibits 13D through 13M**:
  - po5113.02
  - po5610
  - po5610,03
  - po6320
  - po6325
  - po6605
  - po7540,02
  - po8400
  - po8500
- E. Approve the following overnight field trips:
  - **M.L. Steele Varsity Softball** team trip to Cocoa Beach Softball Spring Training, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 as per **Exhibit 13M**.
- F. Approve the **Ohio High School Athletic Agreement (OHSSA)** Site Agreements for baseball, softball and track and field on various dates as per **Exhibits 13N, 13O, 13P and 13Q**.
- G. Approve the **Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSSA)** for M.L. Steele High School and Amherst Junior High School for the 2019-2020 school year.
- H. Approve the **Interagency Agreement with the Lorain County Board of Developmental Disabilities** as per **Exhibit 13R**.
- I. Approve the implementation of Spanish at Powers Elementary School for the 2019-2020 school year.
- J. Approve **Dan Basinski** as the new trustee on the Amherst Schools Education Foundation (ASEF) Board. He will be filling the vacancy that Jim Park left.

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2019-04-05

It was moved by Yacobozzi, seconded by Zappa to approve the following:

- A. Approve the contract with the Oberlin Golf Club Co. for the 2019 golf outings as per Exhibit 14A.

Roll call vote:  
Yacobozzi, aye; Zappa, aye; Engle, aye; Gilles, aye; Neidert, aye.

2019-04-06

It was moved by Gilles and seconded by Neidert to adjourn/move to executive session at 7.04 pm to prepare for collective bargaining with public employees, with no action to be taken.

Roll call vote:  
Gilles aye; Neidert, aye; Engle, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Zappa, aye.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:19 p.m.

2019-04-07

It was moved by Zappa, seconded by Yacobozzi to adjourn.

Roll call vote:  
Zappa, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Engle, aye; Gilles, aye; Neidert, aye.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

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Board President

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Treasurer