

October 17,

Held at the M.L. Steele Creative Learning Center at 4:30 p.m. 20 16

President Rex Engle presided.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call vote:

Rex Engle, present; Marc Zappa, present; Teresa Gilles, present;
Bob Kamnikar, present; Ron Yacobozzi, present
Steven A. Sayers, Superintendent, present; Barbara J. Donohue, Treasurer,
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.

2016-10-01

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

Roll call vote:

Yacobozzi, aye; Kamnikar, aye; Gilles, aye; Engle, aye; Zappa, aye

Good News Report:

Mr. Ryan Coleman – Amherst Junior High School

- Fall sports – all six teams finished 500 or above
- AJH is in the second year of the on-Math program (Digits) and the students and staff are doing outstanding.
- Preparations are being made for the sixth graders to join AJH next year.
- Music Programs have increased by 39 additional students in band and 43 students in orchestra.
- Preparations are being made for the Washington DC trip.

Mr. Bill Miller – Nord Middle School

Nord's PBIS (Positive Behaviors Interventions and Supports) program is in its first year. Nord Middle school started planning for this program last year. A small group from Nord Middle School met with Darren Connolly from the state support team to come up with a matrix (expectations outline) and some goals for this year. Nord Middle School then created a building team made up of general education teachers, specials teachers, intervention specialists and aides. The team met over the summer twice to brainstorm and come up with a building plan. Nord Middle School has implemented a reinforcement system with beads, to reinforce responsible, respectful and safe behavior within our building. Students earn beads and keep them on personal lanyards. At the end of the year students will get to take them home. After students earn 10 beads they can put their name in a drawing for monthly prizes, names are left in until they win. The team has met since the beginning of the school year to discuss the program and agree it's been a very positive experience for our building. Nord Middle school looks forward to the program growing!

Hearing of the Public: None

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2016-10-02

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

- A. The minutes of the September 19, 2016 Regular Board Meeting
- B. The Treasurer's financial reports for the month of September, 2016
- C. Approve the revision of appropriations and the "412 certificate" (none)
- D. Approve the Five-Year Forecast and Five Year Forecast assumptions for fiscal 2016-2017 (under financials).
- E. Accept and acknowledge the receipt of the following donations to the Amherst Schools:

- **Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Hollstein** for a \$250 donation to the Special Olympics, received through their recommendation to the National Philanthropic Trust charitable grant program.

Roll Call vote:

Yacobozzi, aye; Gilles, aye; Engle, aye; Zappa, aye, Kamnikar, aye

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Steve Sayers

Notes: Positive things throughout the district, academically and athletically as you heard with the good news report today.

Issue 21, we are getting good feedback. There are a lot of good things to like about issue 21:

- Almost half of it is paid from Ohio funding offer.
- Not asking to increase the taxes is a positive.
- The big positive is the consolidation from five to four buildings.
- This is an opportunity to maintain the taxes over the long term.
- This will allow us to stretch out the financial stability.

Marc Zappa – Ashland University is the only University that is using vouchers. Starting with 17-18 school year, we will no longer accept vouchers from Ashland University. If they will not change, Amherst will not do business with them.

Administrative Committee Reports:

Mr. Mike Molnar, Executive Director of Educational Services

Notes:

Big Congratulations to the Little Comets Preschool for the Step Up to Quality Award they received, which was five star. The average for most preschool is 3 star, (that is meeting the expectation). This rating is good through October 15, 2019.

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Mr. Rex Engle, JVS Representative

Notes:

- New sign revealed that the JVS put up.
- JVS craft show is Saturday with around 80 vendors.
- Student wise, the enrollment is good.
- Security project that had taken place all summer is completed. Some of the classrooms did not have PA systems

Other Reports: Administrative Standing Committees

Notes:

None

2016-10-03

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

- A. Accept the following resignations for the purpose of retirement as indicated:

Mary Tyson, Bus/van aide, effective 11/20/2016

- B. Accept the following resignations as indicated:

- **Robert Conrady**, Head Mechanic, effective 10/18/16.
- **Catherine Ody**, Bus Driver, effective 10/14/16.
- **Lori Walter**, Bus Driver, effective 9/30/16.
- **Joshua Ward**, Assistant Mechanic, effective end of day 10/18/16 (accepting position as Head Mechanic)
- **Wanda Warford**, Cafeteria Administrator, effective 12/31/16.

- B. Approve the unpaid parental leave of absence for **Kaye Long**, Intervention Specialist, Harris Elementary, effective on or about December 12, 2016 and returning on or about January 3, 2017.

- C. Employ the following individual(s), as indicated, on a 30 or 60 day probationary contract, for the 2016-2017 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.

- **Andrew Baker**, 30-day probationary contract, Technology Aide, at a rate of \$10 per hour, effective 10/18/16.
- **Melissa Carver**, 60-day probationary contract, FT bus driver, effective 10/13/16
- **Westley Spears**, 60-day probationary contract, Technology Technician, effective 10/17/16
- **Reina Vorndran**, 60-day probationary contract, FT bus driver, effective 10/17/16
- **Joshua Ward**, 30-day probationary contract, Head Mechanic, effective 10/19/16

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D. Employ the following individual(s) as certified and/or classified substitutes for the 2016-2017 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 BCII & FBI background check:

- Sara Bottomlee, Aide, media aide, clinic aide, bus aide, monitor, effective 9/26/16.
- Melissa Carver, Bus driver, effective 9/22/16.
- Lori Cohoon, Aide, media aide, clinic aide, bus aide, monitor, effective 9/26/16.
- Valerie Farschman, Teacher, effective 10/17/16.
- Donald Jankowski, Bus/van driver, bus/van aide, effective 9/27/16.
- Katie Karres, Teacher, effective 10/10/16
- Jacob Percival, Teacher, effective 10/3/16
- Kristi Perna, Aide, media aide, monitor, cook, secretary, effective 10/3/16
- Reina Vorndran, Bus/van driver, bus/van aide, effective 9/27/16

E. Approve the changes in contracted status for the following individuals for the 2016-2017 school year as indicated:

- Maria Tomusko, Student attendant, AJH, increase in hours from 6.75 per day to 7 per day, effective 9/26/16

F. Grant a supplemental contract to the following individuals for the fall and/or year-round extra-curricular activities during the 2016-2017 school year, pending completion of all employment requirements, including but not limited to Pupil Activity Permit, if required for positions, and a BCII and FBI background check with compensation at the board approved rate as per **attachment 11A**.

G. Approve the following game management and athletic event personnel to be paid according to the approved 2016-2017 Ancillary salary schedule out of the athletic fund as per **attachment 11B**.

H Grant the following individuals who have completed their probationary contract a limited contract or return to a continuing contract status as indicated:

- Melissa Haslage, Teacher aide, Powers, (balance of a one-year contract), effective 9/28/16.
- Yvonne Voros, FT bus aide, (return to a continuing contract), effective 10/11/16.

I. Approve the following Preschool Aides for up to 20 extra duty hours, to be paid at their hourly rate for attending professional development to maintain district requirements for Step-Up to Quality and preschool licensing. This will occur over the course of the 2016-2017 school year:

- Ember Kucirek
- Kristi Perna
- Julie Swift

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- J. Approve **Bethany Diamond** as trainer for Boys Soccer on Saturday 10/1/16 and **Tiffany Rathwell, Bethany Diamond** and **LaTessa Ruebensall** as trainers for the SWC Cross Country meet Saturday 10/15/16.
- K. Approve instructional supply allocation (upon completion of duties) for teachers providing student teaching or field experience supervision in partnership with Ashland University as per **attachment 11C**.
- L. Approve Job Description 218 for a **Technology Aide** as per **attachment 11D**.
- M. Recognize **Kirk Hagerich** as a volunteer advisor for AJH after school archery club.
- N. Approve **Zachary DelVecchio** as a **Student Worker**, to be paid at minimum wage, for the 2016-2017 school year technology aide help, effective 10/18/16.
- O. Employ **Laura Survance** as a technology technician on an "as needed" basis (up to 20 hours) with compensation set at \$20.68 per hour, during the 2016-2017 school year, effective 10/18/16.
- P. Approve **Jodi Kremer**, math teacher at M.L. Steele, to return early from an unpaid parental leave of absence. Returning effective 10/17/16 instead of her original board approved date of 1/16/17.
- Q. Approve the following as Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) soccer tournament workers for 10/17/16 and 10/19/16:
Tammy Klekota – Tickets
Jenna Donohue & Wayne Schnaak – Field maintenance
Casey Wolf – Site Administrator
Bill Walker & Dave Zvara – Game Administrator
Tiffany Rathwell - Trainer
- R. Authorize the Superintendent to accept the resignation of bus driver **Leslie Llaine**, effective for the end of business October 17, 2016, and to execute any agreements relating to the severance of **Ms. Llaine** from employment of the District.

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Zappa, aye; Kamnikar, aye; Engle, aye

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2016-10-04

It was moved by Zappa and seconded by Kamnikar to approve the following:

- A. Approve the agreement with **Cleveland Clinic Center for Autism** for a student with disabilities to attend school during the 2016-2017 school year as per **exhibit 12A**.
- B. Approve the **Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) tournament site agreements** as per **exhibits 12B, 12C and 12D**.
- C. Approve a purchase agreement with **Vizzle (Visual Learning)** for online learning software and professional services during the 2016-2017 school year as per **exhibit 12E**.

Roll call vote:

Zappa, aye; Kamnikar, aye; Engle, aye; Yacobozzi, aye, Gilles, aye

2016-10-05

It was moved by Yacobozzi and seconded by Gilles to approve **Item B & C - removing A and D**.

- A. Approve the maintenance agreement with **Northern Refrigeration Systems, Inc**, for annual preventive maintenance at all school buildings as per **exhibit 13a. REMOVE**
- B. Approve the change orders for the **M.L. Steele High School South Lobby Project** contract as per **exhibit 13B**.
- C. Enter into an agreement with **CVS Pharmacy, Inc.** for on-site influenza vaccinations as per **exhibit 13C**.
- D. Approve the contract with **Irvin's Lawn Care and Snow Removal, LLC** for snow and ice management services during the 2016-2017 school year as per **exhibit 13D. REMOVE**.

Roll call vote:

Yacobbozi, aye; Gilles, aye; Engle, aye; Kamnikar, aye; Zappa, aye

Mr. Kamnikar asked is any of the change orders were items on the punch list.

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It was moved by Gilles, seconded by Yacobozzi to adjourn the meeting

Roll call vote:

Gilles, aye; Yacobozzi, aye; Zappa, aye; Kamnikar, aye; Engle, aye

Board President Rex Engle adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer