

The Blanchester Board of Education met in regular session/reorganizational on Monday January 6, 2020 in the Middle School Cafeteria.

NOTE: President Pro Tem – John Panetta

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by President Pro Tem John Panetta.

**ROLL CALL**

Todd Bandow	Absent
Kathy Gephart	Present
John Panetta	Present
Mike Williams	Present
Kyle Wilson	Absent

Superintendent Dean D. Lynch and Treasurer Megan Thompson were in attendance along with the following who signed the register:

Donna L L Gosney	Jennifer Chapin
Barb Lambros	Jon Mulvihill
Betty Hodge	Shelly Pembleton
Jen Kaehler	Ryan Shafer
Curt Bandow	JoAnna Powell

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA**

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Gephart that the meeting agenda be approved.

The following vote resulted:

YEAS: Williams, Gephart, and Panetta

Mr. Panetta declared the motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 16, 2019 MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Gephart that the minutes of the December 16, 2019 meeting be approved. The following vote resulted:

YEAS: Williams, Gephart, and Panetta

Mr. Panetta declared the motion passed.

**WELCOME**

Mr. Panetta welcomed everyone.

**BUSINESS OF THE BOARD**

OATH OF OFFICE

Mr. John Panetta was sworn in by Treasurer Megan Thompson

BOARD MEMBER RESGINATION ACCEPTANCE

The resignation of Board Member Mr. Todd Bandow effective 1/1/2020

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Gephart to accept the resignation of Mr. Bandow.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBER

Mr. Panetta made a motion, seconded by Mr. Williams that Jeremy Kaehler be elected to the Board of Education for the term of two years (2020-2021).

The following vote resulted: Panetta, Williams, and Gephart

OATH OF OFFICE

Mr. Jeremy Kaehler was sworn in by Treasurer Megan Thompson

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

Mr. Panetta made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Gephart that the floor be opened for nominations. Mr. Panetta nominated Mr. Wilson for President, Mrs. Gephart seconded the motion.

The following vote resulted:

YEAS: Panetta, Gephart, Williams, and Kaehler

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Gephart to open the floor for Vice President. Mr. Williams nominated Mr. Panetta, Mrs. Gephart seconded. Mr. Panetta closed the nominations.

The following vote resulted:

YEAS: Williams, Gephart, Kaehler and Panetta

Mr. Panetta declared the motion passed.

Mr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kaehler that the board approve the following:

- **RESOLUTION #1-20** Authorizing the Superintendent to be the Purchasing Agent for the Blanchester Local School District:

WHEREAS, the Blanchester Board of Education during the calendar year 2020has a need to purchase supplies and equipment and make necessary repairs to operate the school program;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Blanchester Local School District does hereby direct the Superintendent to serve as the Purchasing Agent to approve all expenditures.

- **RESOLUTION #2-20** Authorizing the Treasurer to invest funds:

WHEREAS, the Blanchester Board of Education, during the calendar year 2020, will receive funds periodically for the current expenses and other expenditures of said school district, and;

WHEREAS, funds that are not to be expended immediately shall be invested as interim funds;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Blanchester Local School District does hereby direct the Treasurer to invest interim funds during calendar year 2020.

- **RESOLUTION #3-20** Authorizing payment of bills:

WHEREAS, the Blanchester Board of Education during the calendar year 2020 has an obligation to pay bills as goods are received and are properly invoiced;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Blanchester Local School District does hereby direct the Treasurer to pay bills as they are received and after the merchandise has been accepted in good condition.

- **RESOLUTION #4-20** Authorizing employment of temporary Personnel:

WHEREAS, the Blanchester Board of Education during the calendar year 2020 must employ individuals to fill vacant positions when the need arises;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Blanchester Local School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent to employ such certified and noncertified temporary personnel as is needed for emergency situations. Such employment will be presented for approval by the Board at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

- **RESOLUTION #5-20** Authorizing federal funds approved:

WHEREAS, the Blanchester Board of Education during the calendar year 2020 is interested in securing notes and federal funds through available grants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Blanchester Local School District authorizes the Superintendent to represent the Board of Education in the application for all special State and Federal Funds.

- **RESOLUTION #6-20** Authorizing approval to attend professional meetings:

WHEREAS, the Blanchester Board of Education during the calendar year 2020 encourages the staff to attend in-service programs for professional growth;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Blanchester Board of Education of the Blanchester Local School District authorizes the Superintendent or his/her designee to approve attendance at professional meetings for staff.

- **RESOLUTION #7-20** Authorizing Membership in the Chamber of Commerce for the year 2020.
- **RESOLUTION #8-20** Authorizing Membership in the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) for the year 2020.

The following vote resulted:

YEAS: Williams, Kaehler, Gephart, and Panetta

Mr. Panetta declared the motion passed.

**BUSINESS OF THE TREASURER**

Mr. Panetta made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Gephart that the Board approve the following:

- **RESOLUTION #9-20** Authorizing the Requests of Advance Drafts from the County Auditor.
- **RESOLUTION #10-20** Petty Cash Fund and Change Fund approvals:
 

Petty Cash Fund	\$ 300.00
Food Service Change Fund	\$ 290.00
Athletic Change Fund	\$2,300.00
Postage Meter	\$1,000.00
Arbiter Pay	\$4,000.00
- **RESOLUTION #11-20** Authorizing a Checking Account in the amount of \$300 for Petty Cash Account to the High School Principal
- **RESOLUTION #12-20** Approving Appropriation Modifications.

The following vote resulted:

YEAS: Panetta, Gephart, Kaehler and Williams

Mr. Panetta declared the motion passed.

**BUSINESS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

School Board Appreciation Month Awards were presented to each of the board members for their service.

**CERTIFIED STAFFING**

It was moved by Mrs. Gephart and seconded by Mr. Williams to accept the resignation of Kiersteni Clark effective 1/17/2020 and approval of two unpaid days leave for Angela Kees on 1/30-1/31/2020.

The following vote resulted:  
YEAS: Gephart, Williams, Kaelher, and Panetta.

Mr. Panetta declared the motion passed.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Treasurer Thompson updated the Board on the Precautionary Financial State Designation by ODE and the progress of the FY 19 audit.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- Jan. 10                    Grade Cards Distributed
- Jan. 20                    No School Martin Luther King Day
- Feb. 18                    Next Regular Board Meeting
- Feb. 20                    Parent Teacher Conferences
- Feb. 25                    Parent Teacher Conferences

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OF NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mrs. Gephart made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kaehler that the meeting go into executive session.

The following resulted:  
YEAS: Gephart, Kaehler, Williams, Panetta

The executive session went until 10:45 pm

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Board President

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Treasurer

