

**BLANCHESTER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**BLANCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL AUXILIARY CAFETERIA**

**August 21, 2023**

**7:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

A. Meeting called to order: Roll Call

- a. John Panetta – President
- b. Jeremy Kaehler – Vice President
- c. Kathy Gephart
- d. Mike Williams
- e. Kyle Wilson

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Adoption of Meeting Agenda with Corrections

\_\_\_\_\_ Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded

Under Business of the Board:

Vote:

\_\_\_Panetta \_\_\_Kaehler \_\_\_Gephart \_\_\_Williams \_\_\_Wilson

D. Approval of Minutes

- a. Minutes for July 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Minutes for July 26, 2023 Special Board Meeting

\_\_\_\_\_ Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded

Vote:

\_\_\_Panetta \_\_\_Kaehler \_\_\_Gephart \_\_\_Williams \_\_\_Wilson

E. Welcome and Public Participation of Agenda Items

- a. Notify the public that we receive IDEA-B funds to supplement our special education programming. Public comment and questions.

F. Business of the Board

\_\_\_\_\_ Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded

1. Approve for the 2023-2024 school year:

- a. Clermont County Educational Service Center Contract for Special Education Services
- b. Montgomery County Educational Service Center Contract for Special Education Services
- c. Butler County Educational Service Center contract for Partial Hospitalization Program
- d. Child Focus contract for mental health services
- e. Ohio Valley Voices Contract for Special Education Services

**All Salary Schedules are retroactive to the start of the contract year**

2. Approve FY24, FY25 & FY26 Mechanic Salary Schedules

3. Approve FY24, FY25 & FY26 Assistant Superintendent Salary Schedules
4. Approve FY24 - Exempt Salary Schedules with an average 3% COL to base salaries. The indexes were changed to be consistent with Admin 1. The number of days increased on certain schedules to bring consistency to the days worked for administration. Additional base adjustments to Cafeteria and Transportation supervisor schedules . Removal of Fiscal, EMIS / Executive Secretary, Special Education Director, Special Education Assistant Director, Athletic Director, and Curriculum Director salary schedules. These positions were moved to the new Admin 2, Admin 3, Admin 4, and Administrative Specialist schedules according to their positions. Each new schedule lists the positions in its header. These changes were to bring the salary schedules more in line with today's averages over a three year period. (Packet)
5. Approve FY25 - Exempt Salary Schedules with a 3% COL with removal of Admin 4 - move Student Service Director and Athletic Director to Admin 3(Packet)
6. Approve FY26 - Exempt Salary Schedules with a 3% COL (Packet)
7. Approve FY24 Substitute Salary Schedules and Salary Schedule Information revised 7/10/2023 (Packet).
8. Approve 2023-2024 Bus Routes
9. Approve the contract with Beacon Orthopedic and Sports Medicine for Athletic Trainer Services during the fall season.
10. Approve donation from Chubby's Pizza in the amount of \$100.00

11. Approve donation from R&R Tool in the amount of \$1,000.00
12. Approve donation from Droud & Elfar, Inc. in the amount of \$100.00
13. Approve donation from Wildcat Porta-Potti in the amount of \$600.00
14. Approve donation from B.I.C. in the amount of \$100.00
15. Approve donation from BDK in the amount of \$100.00
16. Approve donation from Watkins Electrical in the amount of \$100.00
17. Approve donation from Strength Lab - Brian White in the amount of \$50.00
18. Approve donation from Dave & Barb Blocker in the amount of \$100.00
19. Approve donation from Jacobs Nursery in the amount of \$100.00
20. Approve donation from David Daniels in the amount of \$100.00
21. Approve participation in the 2023-2024 CCIP to include the following Federal Programs (Title I , Title II-A, Title IV-A, IDEA-B, IDEA Early Childhood)

Vote:

\_\_\_Panetta \_\_\_Kaehler \_\_\_Gephart \_\_\_Williams \_\_\_Wilson

## G. Business of The Treasurer

\_\_\_\_ Moved

\_\_\_\_ Seconded

1. Review Financial Report(s)
  - a. June 2023 Reports
    - i. Cash Reconciliation
    - ii. Cash Summary
    - iii. Checks Written
  - b. July 2023 Reports
    - i. FY24 Appropriations
    - ii. Cash Reconciliation
    - iii. Cash Summary
    - iv. Checks Written
2. Update on the fiscal office
3. Then and Now
4. Approve adjustment made to the FY2023 Books in the amount of \$4,949.00 to petty expenses, po 9004296, prior adjustments approved at June 2023 board meeting.
5. Approve Redtree Investment Management Group contract and for US Bank hold funds in a Custody Account.
6. Approve \$2,000,000.00 as interim / inactive funds which may be invested per board policy. These dollars may be invested out to five years.

Vote:

\_\_\_\_ Panetta    \_\_\_\_ Kaehler    \_\_\_\_ Gephart    \_\_\_\_ Williams    \_\_\_\_ Wilson

## H. Business of the Superintendent

\_\_\_\_\_Moved \_\_\_\_\_Seconded

It is recommended that the following personnel be employed as listed, subject to maintaining appropriate Certification/Licensure. Salary will be based upon the adopted salary schedule and will reflect the appropriate steps for training and experience.

### 1. Certified Personnel

- a. Recommend Brittany Runk for the 3rd Grade Teacher position at step 3 with a Masters Degree. Pending a clean BCI/FBI, appropriate certification, verification of transcripts, and verification of experience .

**The Following are Retroactive to August 1, 2023:**

- b. Raechel Purdon, Asst. Superintendent (Instruction), Step 0, 250 days
- c. Emily Ledford, Admin 4(Director of Student Services), Step 2, 224 days (inc. from 209 days)
- d. Kristin Unversaw, Admin 2(Director of Special Education), Step 2, 224 days (inc. from 214 days)
- e. Brad Ballinger, Admin 4(Athletic Director), Step 2, 224 days
- f. Jeri Earley, Admin 2, Step 5(Elementary Principal), 224 days (inc. from 214 days)
- g. Ryan Briggs, Admin 2(Middle School Principal), Step 7, 224 days
- h. Jason Whitaker, Admin 3(Assistant Principal), Step 11, 224 days
- i. Eric Lawson, Admin 1(High School Principal), Step 3, 250 days

### 2. Contract Amendments

**It is recommended that the following contract amendments be approved for the 2023-2024 school year:**

- a. Mary Roark contract amended to M+30 from M+15
- b. Julia Strider contract amended to M+15 from M
- c. Kimberlee Bisig contract amended to M from B+150
- d. Andrew Hamm contract amended to M+15 from M
- e. Cassidy Rose contract amended to M+15 from M

3. Certified Substitutes (Packet)

Keith Gilbert, Kaleb Goodin, Jessica Chase, Jennifer McMinn,  
Karlle Payton, JoAnne Vincent, Mary Weddington, Jill Girard,  
Katrina Williams

4. Resignations (Packet)

5. Supplemental Contracts

Please approve the supplemental contracts for BLT & DLT

- a. MS BLT - Brandy McCollister, Julia Perry, Jill Wilson, Mike Cook, Britni Ashford, Kurt Ballinger
- b. MS DLT - Brandy McCollister, Julia Perry, Mike Cook
- c. HS DLT - Stephanie Eriksson, Braden Pyle
- d. HS BLT - Bess Long, David Wood, Andy Hamm, Jamie Grogg, Braden Pyle, Michael England, Stephanie Eriksson
- e. ES DLT - Kristina White, Sherry Simmerman, Kate Slusher
- f. ES BLT - Carrie Mueller, Tracy Shank, Kristina White, Kate Slusher, Julia Strider, Julie Inabnitt, Sherry Simmerman, Rachel Medley, Michelle Pembleton

6. Classified Personnel

- a. Classified Staffing

- i. I (Standelyn Williams) am requesting the week of October 23 through October 27th off. I would like to use 2 personal days (23 & 24) and 3 unpaid days 25, 26, & 27th for this week. I will be out of State with my husband.

**The Following are Retroactive to July 1, 2023:**

- ii. Jeryl Weis, Maintenance Supervisor, Step 7
- iii. Barb Prater, Transportation Supervisor, Step 18
- iv. Paula Wallace, Cafeteria Supervisor, Step 2
- v. Angela Dallas, Administrative Specialist, Step 1
- vi. Heather Mandelstein, Administrative Specialist, Step 0
- vii. Caryn McCarty, Administrative Specialist, Step 13

b. Resignations

- i. Approve the resignation of Roy Hedberg as High School Custodian effective September 1, 2023

c. Classified Substitutes

- i. Clarence Brock - Custodian
- ii. Tim Braley - Custodian & Transportation
- iii. Delores Taylor - Transportation
- iv. Paula Chaney - Transportation
- v. Crystal Thompson - Transportation
- vi. Jenny Belmont - Aide
- vii. Megan Crabill - Aide
- viii. Tristan Abt - Aide & Cafeteria
- ix. Felecia Begley - Bus Aide Sub



d. Supplemental Contracts

**It is recommended that the following supplemental contracts be approved for the 2023-2024 school year:**

1. Chris Herrington, Assistant HS Football, step 3
2. Colt Conover, Middle School Football, step 1
3. Brianna Haun, Assistant Girls Soccer (JV), step 1

**Volunteers (non-employees):**

- a. Jed Turpin, Assistant HS Football (JV), volunteer

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IX. Public Participation of Non- Agenda items

X. Other

- a. Discussion Item

XII. Adjournment

\_\_\_\_\_Moved \_\_\_\_\_Seconded

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