

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 26, 2021**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at the Chauncey Office, located at 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

President Gary Dicken called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A moment of silent reflection was held and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll call:

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| Mr. John G Bailey | Present | Mr. Jeff Koehler | Present |
| Mr. Mick Davenport | Present | Mr. Jeffrey Vogt | Present |
| Mr. John Depoy | Present | Mr. Steve Wheeler | Present |
| Mr. Gary Dicken | Present | Mr. Mony Wood | Present |
| Ms. Connie Dugan | Present | | |

Ex-officio Members: Mr. Covert Absent Mr. Grippa Present

21-058. Mr. Wood moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting held on May 12, 2021. Mr. Koehler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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| Mr. John G Bailey | Yes | Mr. Jeff Koehler | Yes |
| Mr. Mick Davenport | Yes | Mr. Jeffrey Vogt | Yes |
| Mr. John Depoy | Yes | Mr. Steve Wheeler | Yes |
| Mr. Gary Dicken | Yes | Mr. Mony Wood | Yes |
| Ms. Connie Dugan | Yes | | |

Motion carried.

Public Participation

Medea Loibl, Career Pathways Specialist, provided the Governing Board with an update on Project RISE. Project RISE recently was granted the FAFSA 21 Grant which provides funds to aid in the completion of FAFSA applications by high school students. Additionally, Project RISE received full funding for the training fees and first-year licensing for the Lean Six Sigma and Leadership Certifications. An employment extravaganza was held at Tri-County Career Center where students had the opportunity to connect with businesses looking to recruit potential employees. Finally, Project RISE has worked with both Rural Action and the High School Tech Internship

Pilot Program to offer multiple internship opportunities to students.

Goal 1 - The AMESC Governing Board will maintain well-informed members by holding monthly question and answer sessions on a variety of AMESC-related topics, including:

May – Bassett House, HVCRC, and REACH

Heather Wolfe, Superintendent, provided the Governing Board with an overview of three programs supported by the ESC: Bassett House, HVCRC, and REACH.

Bassett House offers intensive residential treatment of adolescent addiction. The facility is located in Alexander Local School District, designating Alexander LSD responsible for providing the academic curriculum. Alexander LSD contracts with the ESC to provide the on-site teacher. The youth residing at Bassett House are there by court order.

HVCRC, Hocking Valley Community Residential Center, located in Nelsonville, Ohio, is a staff-secured, all male community corrections facility designed to provide problem youth a positive rehabilitative program. HVCRC contracts with the ESC to provide the educational programming by employing one teacher and one tutor. The youth residing at HVCRC are there by court order.

REACH, operated by Hopewell Health Centers, is a program that provides day-long treatment (Monday-Friday) for children experiencing severe emotional problems who have difficulty functioning successfully in their schools, families, and communities. The ESC provides the daily education through the employment of a tutor; the assignments are provided by the home districts. At the completion of the school year, each school district with a student in the REACH program is billed for a percentage of the tutor's expenses based on attendance. The youth enrolled in the REACH program are placed in the program by the parent/guardian.

Head Start Reports and Recommendations

21-059. Mr. Bailey moved to approve the following Head Start Reports and Recommendations as presented by Dawn Hall, Head Start Director:

- A. Approve the Monthly Financial Reports.
- B. Approve Ashley Beaver as a Part-Time Teaching Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Center, for the remainder of the 2020-2021 contract year, at the rate of \$12.05 per hour, being contingent upon

proper certification, continued funding and need, with an effective date of June 1, 2021.

- C. Approve the Transportation Agreement for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Mr. Davenport seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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| Mr. John G Bailey | Yes | Mr. Jeff Koehler | Yes |
| Mr. Mick Davenport | Yes | Mr. Jeffrey Vogt | Yes |
| Mr. John Depoy | Yes | Mr. Steve Wheeler | Yes |
| Mr. Gary Dicken | Yes | Mr. Mony Wood | Yes |
| Ms. Connie Dugan | Yes | | |

Motion carried.

Dawn Hall, Head Start Director, reported that the Head Start buses still need to be appraised a second time before they can be sold. Additionally, since the buses are being stored at the Meigs County Fairgrounds, they may need to be moved for the fair.

State Support Team Region 16 Director's Reports and Recommendations

No Board action needed at this time.

Executive Session

None.

Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations

21-060. Mr. Wood moved to approve the following recommendation made by the Finance Committee, as presented by Mr. Depoy, Finance Committee Chair:

- A. Accept a 60/40 split of the \$64,465.20 that was charged to Little Storm's tuition account in error. The ESC will assume responsibility of 60% of the error, while Head Start will assume responsibility for 40% of the error.

Mr. Wheeler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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| Mr. John G Bailey | Yes | Mr. Jeff Koehler | Yes |
| Mr. Mick Davenport | Yes | Mr. Jeffrey Vogt | Yes |
| Mr. John Depoy | Yes | Mr. Steve Wheeler | Yes |
| Mr. Gary Dicken | Yes | Mr. Mony Wood | Yes |
| Ms. Connie Dugan | Yes | | |

Motion carried.

Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations

21-061. Mr. Vogt moved to approve the following Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

A. Adopt the following Resolution:

Pursuant to the authority granted in Section 3 of Amended Substitute House Bill 409 of the 133rd General Assembly, signed by Governor DeWine on or about January 7, 2021, the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center Governing Board authorizes the employment of substitute teachers, as-needed, who do not hold a post-secondary degree but who do have an associates degree or its equivalent, as otherwise required pursuant to Ohio law and regulations, including Ohio Revised Code 3319.226 and 3319.30, Ohio Administrative Code Section 3301-23-44, and/or Board Policy, provided that all other applicable requirements and procedures, including successful completion of a criminal background check and evidence of a non-renewable temporary substitute teaching license issued by the Ohio Department of Education, have been satisfied.

This is a temporary resolution of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center Governing Board, and the authority granted by this resolution extends from May 3, 2021 through June 30, 2021.

- B. Accept the resignation of Hilary Glaze, Paraprofessional at Beacon School, effective the end of her current contract.
- C. Accept the resignation of Mirabai Ingles, Paraprofessional at Beacon School, effective the end of her current contract.
- D. Approve the position transfer of Margaret (Peggy) Wollett from an Early Childhood Education Paraprofessional at the Chauncey Site to a Paraprofessional at Beacon School effective for the 2021-2022 School Year, nine months (188 days) with a salary of \$11.00 per hour, plus a \$2.00 per hour stipend as per the Agreement with ACDBB, no benefits,

being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.

Eastern

- E. Approve Erika Fox, Paraprofessional at Carleton School, for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022, for nine months (188 days) at the rate of \$9.14 per hour, plus a stipend (\$1.86 per hour) to supplement hourly rate to \$11.00 as per Agreement with MCBDD, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- F. Approve Karen Robinson, Roaming Substitute Teacher, for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022, for nine months (180 days) at the rate of \$95.00 per day, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment, including salary, being determined by Eastern Local.

Federal Hocking

- G. Approve Jennifer Mitchell, Paraprofessional at Beacon School, for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022, for nine months (188 days) at the rate of \$11.00 per hour, plus a \$2.00 per hour stipend as per the Agreement with ACDBB, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need.
- H. Approve Ronald Sims, School Psychologist, for a Two Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2023, for nine months (182 days), at the rate of \$62,000.00, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment, including salary determined by Federal Hocking. In subsequent years of contract, any and all salary increases will be presented to the Board for approval.

Federal Hocking / Trimble

- I. Approve Bradford Woodson, Attendance Officer, for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022 for 10 months (202 days) following the Federal Hocking Local School District's ten-month calendar, at the rate of \$50,000.00, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment, including salary determined by Federal Hocking and Trimble.

Hocking Valley Community Residential Center

- J. Approve Darrell Dugan, Tutor, for a One Year Part-Time Contract beginning 2021 through 2022 for three days per week, six hours per day, at \$25.00 per hour, being effective September 1, 2021, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need with terms and conditions of employment, including salary determined by HVCRC.
- K. Approve the Non-Renewal of Mark Stalnaker, Intervention Specialist.

Meigs

- L. Approve Brent Bissell, Job Coach, for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022 for 9 months (182 days), at the rate of \$33,091.54, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need with terms and conditions of employment, including salary determined by Meigs Local.

Southern - Perry

- M. Approve the following Intervention Specialists for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022, for nine months (183 days), at the rate as stated below, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment being determined by Southern Local:
 - 1. Teryl Collins, Intervention Specialist Salary: \$50,520.60
 - 2. Jessica Eckle, Intervention Specialist Salary: \$35,251.20
- N. Approve Karen Hand, Part-Time Speech Language Pathologist, a One Year At-Will Contract beginning 2021 through 2022, on an as needed basis, at \$50.00 per hour, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment being determined by Southern Local.
- O. Approve the following Paraprofessionals Two Year Contracts beginning 2021 through 2023, for nine months (188 days), at the rate as stated below, plus a \$1.00 per hour stipend as per Southern Local, with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment being determined by Southern Local. In subsequent years of contract, any and all salary increases will be presented to the Board for approval.

1. Sandra Greenwich, One-on-One Paraprofessional Salary: \$11.90 per hour + stipend
 2. Joyce Osborne, One-on-One Paraprofessional Salary: \$11.44 per hour + stipend
 3. Monica Post, Paraprofessional Salary: \$10.22 per hour + stipend
 4. Luke Richards, One-on-One Paraprofessional Salary: \$10.22 per hour + stipend
- P. Approve Kylie Pierce, Early Childhood Education Paraprofessional, for a Two-Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2023, for nine months (150 days), at the rate of \$10.22 per hour, plus a \$1.00 per hour stipend as per Southern Local, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment being determined by Southern Local. In subsequent years of contract, any and all salary increases will be presented to the Board for approval.

Tri-County Career Center

- Q. Approve the following Tutors for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022, for nine months (on an as needed basis), at the specified hourly rate, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment, including salary, being determined by Tri-County Career Center:
1. Frederick Adjapong \$25.00 per hour
 2. Tamara Horrocks \$25.00 per hour
 3. Edward Peterson \$25.00 per hour
 4. Rodney Wilson \$30.00 per hour
- R. Approve Jordan Pepper, Student Wellness and Success Plan Consultant, for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022, for 1550 hours at \$30.25 per hour, with an additional \$2,000.00 insurance buy-out, no other benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment, including salary, determined by Tri-County Career Center.

Trimble

- S. Approve the following Roaming Substitute Teachers, for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022, for nine months (180 days) at

the rate of \$100.00 per day, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment, including salary, being determined by Trimble Local:

1. Stephanie Evener
2. Teresa Hixson

- T. Approve the following Substitute Wellness Coordinators, for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022, on an as needed basis, at \$25.00 per hour, no benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment, including salary, being determined by Trimble Local:

1. Audrey Misner
2. Billie Walter

- U. Accept the resignation of Jeremiah Brown, Psychologist, effective July 31, 2021.

- V. Approve Ava Da Re, Secretary, A Supplemental Contract in the amount of \$76.50 for weekend event coverage of the Ohio Business Week held on Sunday, July 18, 2021 at the AMESC in Chauncey.

- W. Approve the Maximum Potential, Inc. Agreement for the Athens-Meigs ESC Lean Six Sigma and Leadership Skills. Lean Six Sigma; \$6,000 due on August 1, 2022 and \$3,000 due annually starting on August 1 each year thereafter. Leadership Skills; \$1,500 due on August 1, 2022 and \$1,500 due annually starting on August 1 each year thereafter.

- X. Accept the resignation of Kaitland Hickman, Paraprofessional at Beacon School, effective the end of her current contract.

- Y. Accept the resignation of Randy Smith, Family & Community Partnerships Liaison, with his last day of employment being June 4, 2021.

Alexander

- Z. Approve Heather Anerino, On-Line Instructor, for a One Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2022, for nine months (183 days), at the rate of \$43,900.00 with an additional \$2,000.00 medical insurance buy-out, no other benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment, including salary determined by Alexander Local.

- AA. Approve Theresa Bledsoe, Talented & Gifted Coordinator/Teacher, for a Three Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2024, for nine months (183 days), at the rate of \$69,000.00 with an additional \$2,000.00 medical insurance buy-out, no other benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment, including salary determined by Alexander Local. In subsequent years of contract, any and all salary increases will be presented to the Board for approval.
- BB. Approve Erin Thomas, Special Education Coordinator, for a Three Year Contract beginning 2021 through 2024, for nine months (183 days) at a rate of \$69,228.00 and ten (10) additional days at \$378.30 per day, (193 days total with a total salary of \$73,011.00) with Board approved benefits, being contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with terms and conditions of employment, including salary determined by Alexander Local. In subsequent years of contract, any and all salary increases will be presented to the Board for approval.

Mr. Depoy seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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| Mr. John G Bailey | Yes | Mr. Jeff Koehler | Yes |
| Mr. Mick Davenport | Yes | Mr. Jeffrey Vogt | Yes |
| Mr. John Depoy | Yes | Mr. Steve Wheeler | Yes |
| Mr. Gary Dicken | Yes | Mr. Mony Wood | Yes |
| Ms. Connie Dugan | Yes | | |

Motion carried.

Legislative Report

Mr. Vogt reported that the Ohio Senate has approved their version of HB110 (Fair School Funding Plan). The bill goes back to committee for restructuring.

Tri-County Career Center Report

Mr. Dicken reported that Tri-County Board Member, Mr. Nottke was presented with a 20-year award for being a Board Member. Additionally, the Board approved a job description for Director of High School which will replace the job description and position of Principal. Finally, the Board approved the Teacher Association salaries.

Old Business

None.

New Business.

The Center Records Commission will meet just before the June 9, 2021 Governing Board meeting at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the destruction of certain fiscal records.

The next Regular Athens-Meigs ESC Governing Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., at the Athens-Meigs ESC, 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

21-062. Time 7:09 p.m. Mr. Koehler moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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| Mr. John G Bailey | Yes | Mr. Jeff Koehler | Yes |
| Mr. Mick Davenport | Yes | Mr. Jeffrey Vogt | Yes |
| Mr. John Depoy | Yes | Mr. Steve Wheeler | Yes |
| Mr. Gary Dicken | Yes | Mr. Mony Wood | Yes |
| Ms. Connie Dugan | Yes | | |

Motion carried.

President

Treasurer