

**ATHENS-MEIGS EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 10, 2021**

The Governing Board of the Athens-Meigs Educational Service Center held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, March 10, 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:

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	Absent		

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

21-024. Mr. Wood moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting held on February 24, 2021. Mr. Davenport seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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	Absent		

Motion carried.

Public Participation

None

Head Start Reports and Recommendations

21-025. Mr. Koehler moved to approve the following Head Start Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

- A. Approve the transfer and employment of Amanda Shover from a part-time Head Start Teaching Assistant at Little Storm Early Learning Academy to a full-time Early Head Start Teacher at Little Storm Early Learning Academy. This is a 12-month position at the rate of \$24,884.03/year with board approved benefits, contingent upon funding and continued need.

Mr. Wheeler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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	Absent		

Motion carried.

State Support Team Region 16 Director's Reports and Recommendations

21-026. Mr. Bailey moved to approve the following Head Start Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

- A. Approve a Service Contract with Heritage Interpreting, LLC for two interpreters to provide sign language interpreting services on March 12, 2021, at \$70.00 per hour per interpreter for a contract amount of \$1,050.00.

Mr. Depoy seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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	Absent		

Motion carried.

Heather Wolfe, Superintendent, explained that SST has an upcoming training that will include individuals from the Columbus School for the Deaf which prompted the need for the contract with Heritage Interpreting, LLC.

Executive Session

None

Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations

21-027. Mr. Wheeler moved to approve the following Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Teresa McGinnis, Treasurer:

- A. Approve Bills paid in February 2021.
- B. Approve Monthly Financial Report for February 2021.

Mr. Vogt seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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	Absent		

Motion carried.

Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations

21-028. Mr. Davenport moved to approve the following Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations as presented by Heather Wolfe, Superintendent:

- A. Approve the updates to the Substitute Teacher and Substitute Aide Lists for Athens, Meigs and Perry Counties.
- B. Approve the Agreement for Transportation Services with the Gallipolis City School District with effective dates of August 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- C. Approve the Business Advisory Council Joint Statement for Academic Year 2020-2021.
- D. Approve a Leave of Absence for Jessica Deck, Secretary effective March 16, 2021 through April 9, 2021.

Trimble

- E. Approve Samuel Ives as an Attendant for the remainder of the 2020-2021 School Year on an as needed basis at \$15.00 per hour, no benefits, contingent upon proper certification, continued funding and need, with an effective date of March 8, 2021. Terms and conditions of employment determined by Trimble Local.

Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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	Absent		

Motion carried.

Legislative Report

Mr. Vogt reported that the U.S. Department of Education announced that states are still responsible for federal assessments, but states can apply for a waiver if desired. Furthermore, the Ohio House of Representatives Finance Subcommittee heard testimony from individuals in support of HB1, the Fair Funding Plan. The Treasurer from Trimble Local School District, Jared Bunting, was among those who testified. Mr. Vogt also reported that both HB6 and HB67 passed.

Tri-County Career Center Report

None.

Old Business

None.

New Business.

21-029. Mr. Wood moved to approve a three percent (3%) raise to Heather Wolfe, Superintendent, effective August 1, 2021. Mr. Koehler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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	Absent		

Motion carried.

Upon the request made by Mr. Depoy, Heather Wolfe, Superintendent, will provide the members of the Board with a list of acronyms and their meanings. Mr. Dicken also requested that individuals not use acronyms when presenting topics to the Board.

Prior to the Regular Board Meeting, the Personnel Committee met to review a possible raise to the employees of the Athens-Meigs ESC as well as updated salary schedules. Ms. Wolfe explained that many employees are not on the ESC salary schedule as districts have the option to pay employees working in their districts a specified wage. The proposed raise is to the ESC salary schedules only. Districts will have the option to move the employees working in their districts to the ESC salary schedule or specify a wage in which the district agrees to pay.

The next Regular Athens-Meigs ESC Governing Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., at the Athens-Meigs ESC, 21 Birge Drive, Chauncey, Ohio.

21-030. Time 6:25 p.m. Mr. Koehler moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wheeler seconded the motion.

Roll call:

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	Absent		

Motion carried.

President

Treasurer