

RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The East Liverpool Board of Education met in Organizational session on January 3, 2019, at the Board of Education Office, 810 West Eighth Street, East Liverpool, Ohio, at 5:30 PM with the following members present:

Meeting opened by Ms. Sarah Porter, President Pro Tempore.

Matthew Handley
Patricia Persohn
Larry Walton
Richard Wolf

Also Present: Randy Taylor, Superintendent
Kathy Jo Laughlin, Treasurer

Ms. Porter led a moment of reflection and The Pledge of Allegiance.

Open & Place Nominations for Board President

Mr. Walton nominated Ms. Porter. Ms. Persohn offered a second. No other nominations were tendered.

19-01-001 Close Nominations for Board President

Mr. Walton moved; Mr. Handley seconded to close nominations and elect Ms. Porter as President.

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
Ms. Persohn
Mr. Walton
Mr. Wolf

Abstain Ms. Porter

Motion carried 4-0

Ms. Laughlin administered the president's oath of office to newly elected Board President Ms. Porter.

Open & Place Nominations for Board Vice President

Ms. Persohn nominated Mr. Handley; Ms. Porter offered a second. No other nominations were tendered.

19-01-002 Close Nominations for Board Vice President

Ms. Persohn moved; Ms. Porter seconded to close nominations and elect Mr. Handley as Vice President.

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Roll call Ayes Mr. Wolf
 Ms. Porter
 Ms. Persohn
 Mr. Walton

Abstain Mr. Handley

Motion carried 4-0

Ms. Laughlin administered the vice president's oath of office to Mr. Handley.

19-01-003 **Establishment of Regular Board Meeting Dates**

Ms. Porter moved; Mr. Handley seconded to establish Regular Board meetings dates and times as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code 3313.15. (Meetings were set for 6 p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month – see attached schedule for the upcoming year). Mr. Walton added that if a second meeting was needed the Board would be able to call the meeting as a special meeting and be compensated for that meeting.

January 3
January 24
February 28
March 28
April 25
May 23
June 27
July 25
August 22
September 26
October 24
November 21* (3rd Thursday)
December 19 (3rd Thursday)

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Wolf
 Mr. Walton

Motion carried 5-0

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19-01-004 **Appointment of Legal Counsel**

Mr. Walton moved; Ms. Porter seconded to appoint the following as School District Legal Counsel:

1. Pepple and Waggoner Ltd. Attorneys at Law (General Representation; Contract Negotiations; Litigation/Contested Matters)
2. Bricker and Eckler Attorneys at Law (Ohio School Facilities Project Bond Counsel; Ohio School Facilities Project Construction Counsel; General Representation; Contract Negotiations; Litigation/Contested Matters)
3. Ennis Britton Co., LPA Attorneys at Law (General Representation; Contract Negotiations; Litigation/Contested Matters)

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Walton

 No Mr. Wolf

Motion carried 4-1

19-01-005 **Official Newspaper**

Mr. Walton moved; Mr. Handley seconded to designate "The Review", East Liverpool, Ohio as the official newspaper of the District.

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Wolf
 Mr. Walton

Motion carried 5-0

19-01-006 **Service Fund**

Mr. Walton moved; Ms. Persohn seconded to approve the establishment of Board Service Fund in an amount not to exceed \$2.00 per child enrolled in the District as of October 2016 as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code 3315.15.

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Discussion: Mr. Wolf said this is NOT per the Ohio Revised Code, the code said 1) May establish a service fund 2) \$2 per child or \$20,000 whichever is greater. We have this argument every year, got an attorney's opinion who didn't know what he was talking about.

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Walton

No Mr. Wolf

Motion carried 4-1

19-01-007 **Insurance Benefits**

Mr. Walton moved; Ms. Persohn seconded authorizing that Board member may participate at their own expense in group health and dental insurance plans provided to employees of the district as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code 3313.202.

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Wolf
 Mr. Walton

Motion carried 5-0

19-01-008 **Ohio School Boards Association Membership**

Mr. Walton moved; Ms. Persohn seconded to approve the following:

Membership in the Ohio School Boards Association pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3313.87 for calendar 2019. The cost of the membership is \$7,134.00 (attached).

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Wolf
 Mr. Walton

Motion carried 5-0

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19-01-009 **Board Member Compensation**

Mr. Walton moved; Mr. Handley seconded authorizing Board member compensation at the maximum allowance by law (\$125 per meeting) to a maximum of 24 meetings during calendar year 2019.

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Wolf
 Mr. Walton

Motion carried 5-0

19-01-010 **Legislative Liaison**

Mr. Walton moved; Ms. Porter seconded to approve the following:

Discuss Board Legislative Liaison for calendar year 2019 then tabled for vote at a later meeting.

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Wolf
 Mr. Walton

Motion carried 5-0

19-01-011 **Standing Authorizations**

Mr. Handley moved; Mr. Wolf seconded to approve the following Standing Authorizations:

1. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to secure position bonds for Board President in the amount of \$20,000; Superintendent in the amount of \$20,000 and Treasurer in the amount of \$50,000 pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3313.25.
2. Motion authorizing the Superintendent and Treasurer to enter into and/or accept/participate in Federal, State or Local Grants or agreements and authorize the Treasurer to appropriate funds for the grants awarded.
3. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to file requests for amendments of the Certificate of Estimated Resources with the Columbiana County Auditor as information becomes available to the Treasurer to warrant such a filing.

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4. Motion authorizing the Superintendent or Treasurer to accept all donations to the school district on behalf of the Board of Education.
5. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to make fund to fund advances, advance returns and transfers as needed throughout the year with Board consideration for ratification as part of the financial reports at the next regular meeting.
6. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to invest interim and inactive funds in permissible investments pursuant to Board Policy and as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code 135.07; 135.19; 135.13 and 3313.51.
7. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to sign all checks drawn on bank accounts of the school district as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code 3313.51.
8. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to borrow funds in anticipation of future tax receipts as permitted by Ohio Revised Code 133.10 at the best available rate for cash flow purposes.
9. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to convene meeting of the Records Commission not limited to but at minimum annually.
10. Motion authorizing the Superintendent to send school employees to professional meetings within the amount of appropriations for calendar 2019.
11. Motion authorizing the Superintendent to employ such temporary personnel as needed in emergency situations as prescribed by Ohio Revised Code 3319.10. Such employment will be presented to the Board of Education for approval consideration at the next regular meeting.
12. Motion authorization for the Treasurer to pay all bills within limits of the appropriations resolution as prescribed by Ohio Revised Code 3313.19 as bills are received under the assumption goods received or service performed is acceptable.
13. Motion authorizing for the Treasurer to obtain advances against tax collections as prescribed by Ohio Revised Code 321.34 from the County Auditor in order to meet current expenses.

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14. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to serve as purchasing agent for the District.
15. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to modify the appropriations resolution to redirect funds previously appropriated to other appropriations accounts provided that total fund appropriations are not increased and that the modifications are presented to the Board of Education for ratification on or before the last day of the fiscal year.
16. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to serve as the designee of the members of the Board of Education for Public Records Training as required by State law.
17. Motion authorizing the waiving of the verbal reading of the minutes and proposed policies provided that such documents are provided to Board members at least 24 hours before the meeting at which time the applicable document is to be presented for final approval.
18. Motion authorizing the Superintendent to serve as the primary representative and the Treasurer to serve as alternate representative in business meetings of the Jefferson Health Plan.
19. Motion authorizing, within the limits of valid appropriations resolutions, the Treasurer to use open purchase orders throughout the fiscal year in accordance with Section 5705.41(D)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.
20. Motion authorizing the Treasurer to procure insurance by binder, agreement in principle or otherwise to meet the insurance requirements and obligations of the School District, with Board ratification at the next regular meeting of the Board.
21. Motion for Board Members to accept notice of meetings via electronic means in lieu of personal service or U.S. Mail.

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Wolf
 Mr. Walton

Motion carried 5-0

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19-01-012 **Tax Budget**

Mr. Wolf moved; Mr. Walton seconded to adopt the tax budget and authorize its filing with the Columbiana County Auditor as Secretary to the Columbiana County Budget Commission.

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Wolf
 Mr. Walton

Motion carried 5-0

19-01-013 **Committee Appointments**

Discussion regarding Committee appointments. (Committee assignments were made by the Board President in calendar 2018 at the second regular meeting in January.)

Tabled until next meeting.

19-01-014 **Adjournment**

Mr. Wolf moved; Mr. Walton seconded to adjourn the Organizational Meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Roll call Ayes Mr. Handley
 Ms. Persohn
 Ms. Porter
 Mr. Wolf
 Mr. Walton

Motion carried 5-0

The foregoing is a true and correct record. These minutes approved by the Board of Education at the January 24, 2019, Regular Meeting.

President

Treasurer

Date