



of the WESTERN RESERVE

Inspiring Learning Through Innovation

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

The Educational Service Center of the Western Reserve

Tuesday, April 4, 2023; 5:45 p.m.

Board Meeting was in Person

CALL TO ORDER: President Mr. Geoffrey Kent called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present in Person: Mrs. Brush, Mr. Burnett, Mr. Cahill, Dr. Culotta, Mr. Kent, Mr. Remias, Mr. Walter.
Absent: Mrs. Percic, Mr. Snyder

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS

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TREASURER RECOMMENDATIONS

MOTION: 43-2023

Mr. Walter moved and Dr. Culotta seconded the motion to approve the Board Minutes of the March 07, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Board as written. (EXHIBIT MINUTES).

Vote: Mr. Walter, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Mr. Kent, yes; Mr. Remias, yes.

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 44-2023

Mr. Burnett moved and Mrs. Brush seconded the motion to approve the February 28, 2023 and March 31, 2023 Financial Reports. (EXHIBIT FINANCIALS). Financial Reports ORC 3313.29 - The treasurer shall render a statement to the Board and to the superintendent of the school district, monthly, or more often if required, showing the revenues and receipts from whatever sources derived, the various appropriations made by the board, the expenditures and disbursements therefrom, the purposes thereof, the balances remaining in each appropriation, and the assets and liabilities of the school district. The ESC of the Western Reserve financial statements for the periods ending February 28, 2023 and March 31, 2023, are hereby rendered and include: Financial Summary, Appropriations Report, Check Register, and Bank Reconciliation. (EXHIBIT FINANCIALS).

Vote: Mr. Burnett, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Kent, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mr. Walter, yes.

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 45-2023

Mr. Walter moved and Mr. Remias seconded the motion to approve the participation in the 2024 Sedgwick Ohio Worker's Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Annual fee: \$875.00 (EXHIBIT WORKERS COMP).

Vote: Mr. Walter, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Kent, yes.

President declared the motion carried

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDS

Superintendent Report:

- FY24 Salary study information
- Policy committee
- May 9, 2023 at 5:45 p.m. Board meeting at Hale School
- Recipients of the 2023 Franklin B. Walter All Scholastic-Award
- National Search Firm Partnership
- Director of Fiscal Support Services

MOTION: 46-2023

Mr. Remias moved and Mrs. Brush seconded the motion to approve the following 2022-23 District Service Agreements and/or Addendums. (EXHIBIT DISTRICT).

2022-2024 Addendum

- West Geauga Local

2022-2024 Service Agreement/Addendum

- Auburn Career Center
- Geneva Area City

Vote: Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Kent, yes; Mr. Walter, yes.

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 47-2023

Mr. Walter moved and Dr. Culotta seconded the motion to approve the following Service/Memorandums of Understanding Agreements: (EXHIBIT SERVICE).

- Cardinal Local Schools - ESCWR to provide Family and Community Liaison Services to families identified by Cardinal as provided by the ESSER grant.

Vote: Mr. Walter, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Mr. Kent, yes; Mr. Remias, yes.

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 48-2023

Mr. Burnett moved and Mr. Remias seconded the motion to approve the following partnership/consortium agreements. (EXHIBIT PARTNERSHIPS).

- BloomBoard ESCWR University Program agreement to create an educator advancement program with on-the-job training and education for the advancement and retention of PreK-12 educators in Elementary and Special Education teaching certification areas. Fees billed to districts.
- Human Capital Enterprises Executive Search agreement to create a partnership for selected executive search supports for opportunities requesting national marketing for a fee of \$3,500 per search.

Vote: Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Kent, yes; Mr. Walter, yes.

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 49-2023

Mr. Walter moved and Mr. Remias seconded the motion to approve the following Vendor Service Agreements: (EXHIBIT VENDOR).

- Torchlight Mentoring Services proposal to provide mentoring and training programming in conjunction with ESCWR Community Prevention department at Cardinal and Berkshire for school year 2022-23 only. Funding: \$2,887.50 to be paid from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant.

Vote: Mr. Walter, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Kent, yes.

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 50-2023

Mr. Walter moved and Mr. Remias seconded the motion to approve the following Memorandum of Understanding. (MOU)

- State Support Team 4 MOU with Fairport Harbor to support training, implementation and sustainability of Literacy Curriculum work at the Elementary level and Mathematics Curriculum work at the Middle and High School level. This MOU will support the reimbursement to Fairport Harbor Schools for daily rate of identified teachers in the amount of \$8,793.49 to be paid from the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) funds.
- Amendment of the ESC of Central Ohio Tutor Ohio Kids Tutoring MOU from March 7, 2023 to include ESCWR to assist in recruitment of tutors, completion of background checks and Homeland Security Employment Eligibility Verification I-9 form. Background checks to be reimburse by ESCCO.

Vote: Mr. Walter, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Kent, yes.

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 51-2023

Mr. Cahill moved and Mr. Remias seconded the motion to grant the Superintendent of the ESC of the Western Reserve the authority to modify, amend or supplement Ohio Schools Council Policy 1.1 Section 10 Agreement, Policy 1.3 Section 11 Bylaws, and any other Agreements requiring Ohio Schools Council Assembly approval. These modifications, amendments, and supplements may occur at any regular or special meeting of the Ohio Schools Council Assembly at which a quorum is present. Approval of a modification, amendment or supplement requires a simple majority vote of the quorum.

Vote: Mr. Cahill, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Kent, yes; Mr. Walter, yes.

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 52-2023

Mr. Cahill moved and Dr. Culotta seconded the motion to approve a \$2,000 Spelling Bee Scholarship to Tia Geisler, from Mentor Exempted Village School District. Tia, daughter of Regis and Melly Geisler, is the winner of the Tri-County Spelling Bee to represent our region at the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, DC this spring. Scholarship paid from the Spelling Bee account.

Vote: Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Kent, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mr. Walter, yes.

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 53-2023

Mr. Burnett moved and Mrs. Brush seconded the motion to approve the following Human Resources items: Suspension of Contracts; Amendments, New Employees, Renewals, Supplementals, Separations, Leave of Absence requests and Summer Positions. (EXHIBIT HUMAN RESOURCES).

Vote: Mr. Burnett, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Kent, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mr. Walter, yes.

President declared the motion carried

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- Business Advisory Meeting Geauga County - May 9, 2023, at 8 am
 - Geauga County JFS Office 12611 Ravenwood Drive, Chardon, Ohio 44024
- Strategic Plan Staff Update- May 9, 2023, at 3:45 pm (Virtual or In-person)
 - 8221 Auburn Road, Painesville, Ohio 44077
- Regular Board Meeting - May 9, 2023, at 5:45 pm
 - 56 Hale Road, Painesville, Ohio 44077 - Media Center
- Gaitway Graduation - May 19, 2023, at 11:30 am - 2:00 pm
 - Fieldstone Farm Therapeutic Riding Center 16497 Snyder Road Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44023
- iSTEM Graduation - May 20, 2023, at 10 am
 - PAC at Union Square North High School Willoughby-Eastlake 34041 Stevens Boulevard Eastlake, Ohio 44095
- Regular Board Meeting - June 6, 2023, at 5:45 pm
 - 8221 Auburn Road, Painesville, Ohio 44077 - Room 122
- Regular Board Meeting - June 29, 2023, at 5:45 pm
 - 8221 Auburn Road, Painesville, Ohio 44077 - Room 122
- Business Advisory Meeting Lake County - June 13, 2023, at 4 pm
 - Lakeland University Holden Center Room E119 4242 OH-306 Kirtland, Ohio 44094
- ESCWR Opening Day August 11, 2023
 - North High School Willoughby-Eastlake 34041 Stevens Boulevard Eastlake, Ohio 44095

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MOTION: 54-2023

Mr. Walter moved and Dr. Culotta seconded the motion to adjourn at 6:16 p.m.

Vote: Mr. Walter, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Mr. Kent, yes; Mr. Remias, yes.

President declared the motion carried



Geoffrey Kent, Board President

L. Greg Simons, Treasurer/CFO