



**Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
The Educational Service Center of the Western Reserve  
Tuesday, March 5, 2024; 5:45 p.m.  
Board Meeting was in Person**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice President Marilyn Percic called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**HEARING OF THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS**

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**TREASURER RECOMMENDATIONS**

Treasurer Report:

- Ohio ethics commission annual Financial disclosure Statement - Due May 15, 2024
- NEOnet Fiscal Agreement

**MOTION: 36-2024**

Mr. Snyder and Mr. Hach seconded the motion to approve the Board Minutes of the February 06, 2024 Meeting of the Board as written. (EXHIBIT MINUTES)

Vote: Mr. Snyder, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, Abstained; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Remias, abstained  
Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 37-2024**

Mr. Remias moved and Mr. Burnett seconded the motion to approve the January 31, 2024 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 period ending January 31, 2024, are hereby rendered and include: Financial Summary, Appropriations Report, Check Register, and Bank Reconciliation. (EXHIBIT FINANCIALS).

Vote: Mr. Remias, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Snyder, yes  
Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 38-2024**

Mr. Snyder moved and Mr. Remias seconded the motion to approve amendments to the permanent appropriations for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Vote: Mr. Snyder, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes  
Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 39-2024**

Mr. Snyder moved and Dr. Culotta seconded the motion to approve a Fiscal Agent Agreement with Metropolitan Regional Service Council of Governments as attached.

Vote: Mr. Snyder, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Remias, yes  
Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 40-2024**

Mr. Snyder moved and Mr. Remias seconded the motion to accept the amounts and rates as determined by the Lake County Budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor. The projected revenue to be generated by a 4.9-mill renewal levy at a 100% collection rate for tax year 2023, collection year 2024 is \$6,018,142.00

Vote: Mr. Snyder, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes  
Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 41-2024**

Mr. Bumett moved and Mr. Remias seconded the motion to approve the following donations:

On Behalf of Tom Hach:

- Cash donation from Anne Blum on behalf of Tom Hach in the amount of \$200.00.

For Science Olympiad:

- Cash donation from Swagelok Foundation in the amount of \$1000.00 for the Science Olympiad.

For Dyslexia Simulator Workshops:

- Cash donation for Kids Read Now in the amount of \$500.00 for the Dyslexia Simulator Workshops.
- Cash donation from Amplify in the amount of \$500.00 for the Dyslexia Simulator Workshop.

Vote Mr. Burnett; yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Snyder, yes

Vice President declared the motion carried

**SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDS**

Superintendent Report:

- Metropolitan Regional Service Council of Governments (MRSC) membership
- Ohio School Board Association (OSBA) Spring Regional Conference and Service Awards
  - Mr. Kenneth Burnett - 35 years of service
  - Dr. Susan Culotta - 10 years of service

**MOTION: 42-2024**

Mr. Snyder moved and Mr. Remias seconded the motion to approve the following 2023-24 District Service Agreements and/or Addendums.

2023-2024 Addendums

- Kirtland Local - SAIL & Transportation
- Lake Catholic School - Staffing Services

Vote: Mr. Snyder, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes

Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 43-2024**

Mr. Snyder moved and Mr. Remias seconded the motion to approve the following Service/Memorandums of Understanding Agreements:

- Educational Service Center of Central Ohio (ESCCO) - Ohio Materials Matter grant will pay ESCWR for High-Quality Instructional Math consulting, for participation in K-8 Math Implementation Cohort 2 with Cardinal Local Schools, the amount of \$15,000, for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.
- Ohio Department of Higher Education - Teach Computer Science (Teach CS) grant will pay ESCWR to oversee expanded coursework, for the fiscal years 2023-24 and 2024-25 in the area of Computer Science for licensed teachers in the amount \$200,000. To include tuition, materials and equipment expenses.

Vote: Mr. Snyder, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes

Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 44-2024**

Mr. Snyder and Mr. Hach seconded the motion to approve the following Vendor Agreements:

- Sloan Burgess - To provide professional development and consulting for the Foundations of Structure in Preschool Classrooms not to exceed \$3,750 to be paid for the State Support Team (SST) Region 4 from Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) funds.
- Paragon Risk Advisors - Agreement to support ESCWR healthcare and wellbeing initiatives from March 1, 2024 for a period of one-year with and annual renewal, with a termination clause of 30 days. To be paid in semi-annual installments of \$25,000 from general fund (Wellbeing account).
- AMENDMENT TO SERVICE - Lake Geauga Computer Association (LGCA five (5) year agreement as internet services provider (ISP) effective July 1, 2020 is amended to a four (4) year agreement terminating on June 30, 2024 per the request of LGCA.
- Torchlight Youth Mentoring Alliance will provide supervision and facilitation for a mentoring/tutoring program at Riverside Local School District. ESCWR will pay Torchlight \$3,960.50 for their services from funding provided by the Ohio Mental Health and Substance Abuse grant (OHMHAAS). Torchlight will provide additional in-kind services in the amount of \$1,485.00.
- CANCELLATION of September 28, 2023 Agreement - Torchlight Youth Mentoring Alliance for a mentoring/tutoring program at Fairport Harbor Exempted village School District, cancelled due to lack of participation.
- The Daily, LLC., - Agreement to provide breakfast and lunch for the SAIL program from January 1 to June 30, 2024. Billed to SAIL program.
- Northern Ohio Branch of International Dyslexia Association - To provide a hands on workshop to improve understanding and teaching techniques in the area of Dyslexia. ESCWR will pay \$1,000 for 80 attendees to be paid from the Dyslexia donation account

Vote: Mr. Snyder, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mrs. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Remias, yes

Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 45-2024**

Dr. Culotta moved and Mrs. Brush seconded the motion to approve the following Service Agreements:

- The Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio - To provide YouLEAD Junior 4 - Series to include but not limited to Diversity 101, Anti-Bullying and Conflict Resolution for students in Madison Local School District for a fee of \$12,000 to be paid from the Extended Learning Grant Funds.

**MOTION: 46-2024**

Mr. Cahill moved and Mr. Snyder seconded the motion to table the following Service Agreement:

- The Diversity Center of Northeast Ohio - To provide YouLEAD Junior 4 - Series to include but not limited to Diversity 101, Anti-Bullying and Conflict Resolution for students in Madison Local School District for a fee of \$12,000 to be paid from the Extended Learning Grant funds.

Vote: Mr. Cahill, yes; Mr. Snyder, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Remias, yes

Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 47-2024**

Mr. Snyder moved and Mrs. Brush seconded the motion to approve the Agreement Providing for the Metropolitan Regional Service Council of Government and participation in the the NEOnet Program (O.R.C. §167.01) as attached.

Vote: Mr. Snyder, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Remias, yes  
Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 48-2024**

Mr. Burnett and Mr. Snyder seconded the motion to approve the following Human Resources items: Suspension Contracts; Amendments, New Employees, Renewals, Supplementals, Separations, Leave of Absence requests and Summer Positions.

Vote: Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Snyder, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Remias, yes  
Vice President declared the motion carried

**MOTION: 49-2024**

Mr. Snyder and Mr. Burnett seconded the motion to approve the following policies.

**Policy Title**

8390 Animals on District Property

Vote: Mr. Snyder, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Remias, yes  
Vice President declared the motion carried

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- Lake County Business Advisory Council (BAC) - April 4, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
  - ESCWR TLC Building Room 122, 8221 Auburn Rd., Concord, OH 44077
- Geauga County Business Advisory Council (BAC) - April 09, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.
  - 12611 Ravenwood Dr., Chardon, OH 44024
- ESCWR Regular Board Meeting - April 9, 2024 at 5:45 p.m.
- All Staff - Strategic Plan Presentation Meeting May 1, 2024 at 3:30 p.m.
  - ESCWR TLC Building Room 122, 8221 Auburn Rd., Concord, OH 44077
- Geauga County Business Advisory Council (BAC) - May 07, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.
  - 12611 Ravenwood Dr., Chardon, OH 44024
- ESCWR Regular Board Meeting - May 9, 2024 at 5:45 p.m.
  - ESCWR Hale Road Building Resource Center, 56 Hale Rd. Painesville, OH 44077
- Lake County Business Advisory Council (BAC) - May 09, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
  - ESCWR TLC Building Room 122, 8221 Auburn Rd., Concord, OH 44077
- ESCWR Regular Board Meeting - June 4, 2024 at 5:45 p.m.
  - ESCWR TLC Building Room 122, 8221 Auburn Rd., Concord, OH 44077
- SCWR Regular Board Meeting - June 27, 2024 at 5:45 p.m. **\*\*THURSDAY\*\***
  - ESCWR TLC Building Room 122, 8221 Auburn Rd., Concord, OH 44077
- ESCWR Opening Day 2024 - August 09, 2024
  - Willoughby-Eastlake North High School, 34041 Stevens Blvd., Eastlake, OH 44095

**REMINDERS**

- Ohio Ethics Commission annual Financial Disclosure Statement filing deadline, Wednesday, May 15, 2024

**HEARING OF THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

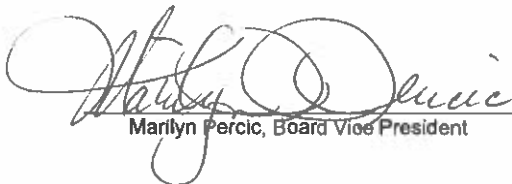
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**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: 50-2024**

Dr. Culotta moved and Mr. Cahill seconded the motion to adjourn at 6:27 p.m.

Vote: Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Remias, yes; Mr. Snyder, yes  
Vice President declared the motion carried



Marilyn Percic, Board Vice President



L. Greg Siemens, Treasurer/CFO