



Regular Board Meeting Minutes
The Educational Service Center of the Western Reserve
Tuesday, April 9, 2024; 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. Hach, Mr. Kent, Mrs. Percic, Mr. Remias, Mr. Snyder

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

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TREASURER RECOMMENDATIONS

Treasurer Report:

- **Reminder - Ohio Ethics Commission Annual Financial Disclosure Statement - Filing Due Date is May 15, 2024**

MOTION: 50-2024

Mr. Cahill and Mr. Hach seconded the motion to approve the Board Minutes of the March 9, 2024 Meeting of the Board as written. (EXHIBIT MINUTES)

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

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 51-2024

Mr. Snyder moved and Mr. Cahill seconded the motion to approve the March 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. Snyder, yes; Mr. Cahill, yes; Mrs. Brush, yes; Mr. Burnett, yes; Dr. Culotta, yes; Mr. Hach, yes; Mr. Kent, yes; Mrs. Percic, yes; Mr. Remias, yes

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 52-2024

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

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

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 53-2024

Mr. Snyder moved and Mrs. Percic seconded the motion to approve the participation in the 2025 Sedgwick Ohio Worker's Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025. Annual fee: \$1,000.00

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

MOTION: 54-2024

Mr. Cahill moved and Mr. Snyder seconded the motion to approve the purchase of 2022 Toyota Sienna AWD LE Van with wheelchair accessibility upgrades at a new purchase price of \$52,792.50. The net purchase includes a \$20,000 trade in value of a 2016 Ram ProMaster. The Governing Board further gives the Treasurer/CFO the authority to secure bank financing for a thirty-six (36) month period at an annual interest rate not to exceed 7.50%. (EXHIBIT VAN PROPOSAL)

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

MOTION: 55-2024

Mr. Cahill moved and Mr. Burnett seconded the motion to approve the following donations:

For Dyslexia Simulator Workshops:

- Cash donation from Buyers Products in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the Dyslexia Simulator Workshops.

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

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDS

Superintendent Report:

- ESCWR State Grant and additional grant awards
- Child Abuse Prevention Month
- Transportation Services
- Monthly Agenda Items
- Fiscal 2025 Pay Increases, effective August 1, 2024, for noted staff.

MOTION: 56-2024

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

2023-2024 Agreements and Addendums

- Ashtabula ESC - Vision Services
- Cardinal Local - Additional Behavior Hours
- Chardon Local - Additional Staff Hours
- Crestwood Local - Superintendent Search Services
- St. Helen's School - Curriculum Services

2024-2026 Agreements

- Fairport Harbor - Master Agreement
- Painesville City - Master Agreement
- West Geauga Local - Master Agreement

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

MOTION: 57-2024

Mr. Snyder moved and Mrs. Percic seconded the motion to approve the following Vendor Agreements:

- Exceptional Kids Therapy LLC - To provide physical therapy services as needed for Extended School Year 2024 at the rate of \$70.00 per hour from June 17, 2024 to July 26, 2024. Billed to the District/Program.
- EMS Linq - to provide ESCWR website hosting platform for a fee of \$5,229.00 from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. To be paid from General Fund.
- EMS Linq - To provide SST website hosting platform for a fee of \$2,697.03 from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. to be paid from SST4 Funds.

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

MOTION: 58-2024

Mrs. Brush moved and Mr. Cahill seconded the motion to approve the following Memorandum of Understanding:

- ESC of Northeast Ohio - For specialist support on a co-design team for the research, inventory, and mapping of statewide capacity to support Ukrainian and other refugees populations. ESCWR will receive \$15,000 for costs and related expenses and perform the work between January 2024 to September 2025.

- ESC of Northeast Ohio - For management consulting support - training and implementation team member for the research, inventory, and mapping of statewide capacity to support Ukrainian and other refugees populations ESCWR will receive \$5,000 for costs and related expenses and perform the work between January 2024 to September 2025.

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

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 59-2024

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

President declared the motion carried

MOTION: 60-2024

Mr. Snyder moved and Mrs. Percic seconded the motion to approve a 2.5% increase effective for the FY25 contracts for ESCWR pay schedule employees, excluding ISTEM, Superintendent, Treasurer, District Pay Schedule Staff, As-Needed and Special Pay Table Employees and any new hires on or after April 1, 2024.

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

President declared the motion carried

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- All Staff - Strategic Plan Presentation meeting May 1, 2024 at 3:30 p.m.
 - ESCWR TLC Building Room 106, 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
- ECWR Regular Board Meeting - June 27, 2024 at 5:45 p.m. ****THURSDAY****
 - ESCWR TLC Building Room 122, 8221 Auburn Rd., Concord, OH 44077
- ESCWR Regular Board Meeting - August 6, 2024 at 5:45 p.m.
 - 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

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: 61-2024

Mr. Burnett moved and Mrs. Brush seconded the motion to adjourn at 6:15 p.m.

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

President declared the motion carried



Geoffrey Kent, Board President



L. Greg Simons, Treasurer/CFO