

the Van Wert City School Board of Education - Regular

March 20, 2019

The Board of Education of Van Wert City Schools met in regular session on Wednesday, March 20, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. in the First Federal Lecture Hall of the Niswonger Performing Arts Center.

Members present: Mr. Anthony Adams
Mrs. Debby Compton
Mr. Tom Losh
Mr. Scott Mull

Members absent: Mrs. Rachel Dickman (listened by phone, no participation)

Also present: Vicki Brunn, Superintendent
Michael Ruen, Treasurer

Sherry Missler	Scott Truxell	Michelle Gunter	Lee Ann Pratt
Ben Laudick	Teresa Shaffer	Trent Temple	Bob Priest
Justin Bragg			

Board President Mull called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Losh to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: Members Adams, Losh, Compton, and Mull voting “yes”. Motion Carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Losh, seconded by Mrs. Compton to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on February 20, 2019. Roll Call: Members Losh, Compton, Adams, and Mull voting “yes”. Motion Carried 4-0.

Motion by Mrs. Compton, seconded by Mr. Losh to approve the minutes of the Special Board meeting held on March 4, 2019. Roll Call: Members Compton, Losh, Adams, and Mull voting “yes”. Motion Carried 4-0.

TREASURER’S REPORT AND CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Losh to approve the following Treasurer’s Consent Agenda Items:

1. Approve the Treasurer’s Report
2. Approve the bills and financial statements
3. Approve Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources for Fiscal Year 2019 as presented, total General Fund Resources of \$29,486,481.81 and total Resources for all funds of \$49,260,343.93
4. Approve Fiscal Year 2019 Amended Permanent Appropriations as presented, total General Fund Appropriations of \$24,163,864.03 and total Appropriations for all funds of \$37,579,923.98
5. Acknowledge the following charitable groups, entities, and individuals for their generous donations to the Van Wert City Schools:
 - a. Reanna Karcher and the Van Wert City School Community Crowdfunding - Lunchroom (\$5,894.40)
 - b. Kevin and Dondra Maney - John Fox Maney Memorial Business Scholarship (\$1,500.00)
 - c. Kevin and Dondra Maney - Margaret Shaffer Maney Memorial Music Scholarship (\$1,500.00)
 - d. Van Wert Service Club, Inc. - Van Wert City Schools Endowment Fund for Educators (\$125.00)
 - e. Eaton Corporation - Van Wert High School Masque & Gavel (\$50.00)
 - f. To Van Wert City Schools Middle School Renaissance Program:
 - Valam Hospitality, Inc. (\$100.00)
 - Greif (\$200.00)
 - g. From Van Wert City Schools Elementary PTO:
 - Van Wert Elementary - 100 Mile Club (\$1,500.00)

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- Van Wert ECC - Student Activity Fund (Inflatables) (\$1,320.00)
- Van Wert ECC - Student Activity Fund (Literacy Collaborative) (\$3,044.37)
- h. Edward Jones - Van Wert Wrestling Athletic Account (\$184.00)

Roll Call: Members Adams, Losh, Compton, and Mull voting “yes”. Motion Carried 4-0.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

NONE

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- First Reading of New/Revised Policies from the NEOLA Spring 2019 Update - Ms. Brunn provided an overview.
- Energy Savings & Facility Improvement Project - Ms. Brunn updated the Board regarding recent meetings with Energy Optimizers, a firm that specializes in facility energy savings projects along with safety upgrades. The estimated project cost is \$1,222,826 of which most of those costs are guaranteed to be recovered in reduced utility costs (Energy Optimizers will make up the difference of any lost savings). The two costs not recouped through savings are safety related (access cards\ magnetic door locks\entry fobs, and engineering and design fees. Through the use of an Ohio Safety Grant, approximately \$11,700, and an Ohio BWC safety grant (if awarded) of up to \$40,000, the safety upgrade costs can be reduced from \$69,000 to approximately \$17,000. Energy Optimizers will be presenting a project work session on Tuesday, April 3rd, board members are welcome to attend (if more than two choose to attend the work session will become a special board meeting). Board members noted their desire for the administration to move forward with this project conditioned upon the receipt of the noted grants. Official approval of the project will be made by resolution.

REPORT FROM BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

Vantage Board Report - The fireman program is up and running. The annual All Boards Meeting will be held on April 4, 2019 including the induction of new hall of fame members.

VWAPAF Board Report - Ms. Brunn listed a number of next year’s performers that will appear at the NPAC, while also stating that they have talked about going to digital ticketing.

VWASIG Board Report - Last meeting was on February 26, 2019, it was noted that Plan Year 2018 was very strong financially as well as the consortium’s prescription cost per member being very low.

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Mrs. Compton, seconded by Mr. Adams to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:

1. Accept the resignation of Julie Hammond, Elementary School Secretary, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 contract year.
2. Accept the resignation of Alex Schmidt, High School Assistant Girls Tennis Coach, effective February 27, 2019.
3. Accept the resignation of JoAnne Simmerman, Family and Children First Fiscal Assistant, effective March 12, 2019.
4. Accept the resignation of Rob Adams, High School Girls Varsity Head Basketball Coach, effective March 14, 2019.
5. Approve Mike Owens as Interim Family and Children First Fiscal Assistant, effective March 13, 2019.
6. Approve Administrative Job Description 112 - Dean of Students (9-12)/Assistant Athletic Director, as presented.

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7. Approve Ben Collins as Dean of Students (9-12) and Assistant Athletic Director, to a two-year contract for the period of August 1, 2019 through July 31, 2021.
8. Approve increase in teacher substitute pay from \$90.00 to \$96.18 and from \$110.00 to \$117.57 for the extended school day period from March 2, 2019 through April 30, 2019 per the MOU's approved on February 20, 2019. Extended day pay does not apply on days for which a delay occurs.
9. Approve membership and fees for the superintendent and assistant superintendent to one civic organization each on an annual basis, effective 2018-2019 contract year. This supersedes the current language in the superintendent's and assistant superintendent's contracts.
10. Approve the following Supplemental Coaching Contracts effective the 2018-2019 contract year:
 - a. Charlie Witten, Head Varsity Baseball
 - b. Eric Putman, Assistant Varsity Baseball
 - c. Jim Werts, JV Baseball
 - d. Cole Harting, Freshman Baseball
 - e. Greg Steinecker, Head Varsity Softball
 - f. Sean Kennedy, Assistant Varsity Softball
 - g. Missy Bockrath, JV Softball
 - h. Mark Collins, Head Varsity Boys Track
 - i. Nate Hoverman, Head Varsity Girls Track
 - j. Ben Laudick, Assistant Varsity Boys Track (50%)
 - k. Kim Laudick, Assistant Varsity Boys Track (50%)
 - l. Hannah Phlipot, Assistant Varsity Girls Track
 - m. Alex Schmidt, Head Varsity Boys Tennis
 - n. Eli Alvarez, Assistant Varsity Boys Tennis
 - o. Kerry Koontz, Middle School Track
 - p. Bob Spath, Middle School Track
 - q. Steve Sealscott, Middle School Track
11. Approve the following Volunteer Coaches, effective the 2018-19 Contract year:
 - a. Jeremy Kitson, Volunteer Assistant Varsity Baseball
 - b. William Steinecker, Volunteer Assistant Varsity Softball
 - c. Rachel Dickman, Volunteer Assistant Varsity Track
12. Approve revisions to the Paraprofessional Job Description, as presented.
13. Motion to approve the renovation of the current display/storage space located in the NPAC upper lobby into two staff offices, as presented.

Roll Call: Members Compton, Adams, Losh, and Mull voting "yes". Motion Carried 4-0.

EMPLOYMENT OF ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Motion by Tom Losh, seconded by Mrs. Compton to approve Trent Temple as Athletic Director, to a three-year contract for the period August 1, 2019 through July 31, 2022. Days worked between June 1, 2019 and July 31, 2019, at the discretion of the High School Principal, will be paid at the Athletic Director's daily per-diem rate of pay as set for the 2019-2020 contract year.

Mr. Adams and Mr. Mull read prepared statements regarding the hiring of our new Athletic Director.

Roll Call: Members Losh, Compton, Adams, and Mull voting "yes". Motion Carried 4-0.

ADVANCEMENT ON PAY SCHEDULE

This is to inform the Board of Education that the following employees were advanced on the payscale, due to additional college coursework, effective April 1, 2019:

1. Monica Donley - Masters to Masters +15
2. Jason Haggerty - Bachelors to Bachelors +150

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CRA APPLICATIONS

Acknowledge receipt and notification of the following Residential CRA Applications:

1. Jennifer Pipenger, 535 S. Vine St., Van Wert, OH 45891
2. Vicki Hoersten, 369 Dover Dr., Van Wert, OH 45891

MONTHLY REPORTS FROM BUILDING PRINCIPALS

Mr. Mull noted the monthly report from each building principal is available for review.

ANY OTHER NEW BUSINESS

NONE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Losh to go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), for the purpose of discussing the employment of public personnel. Roll Call: Members Adams, Losh, Compton, and Mull voting "yes". Motion Carried 4-0.

Mr. Mull noted that the Board will return from executive session with no further business other than to adjourn.

The Board entered executive session at 5:35 p.m.

The Board exited executive session at 8:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Compton to adjourn. Roll Call: Members Adams, Compton, Losh, and Mull voting "yes". Motion Carried 4-0. Time: 8:00 p.m.

PRESIDENT

TREASURER