

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Buckeye Local Board of Education – Regular Meeting
Held December 19, 2023 – 6:30 P.M. – Board Room - Braden Middle School

REGULAR MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Wisnyai, President
Gregory Kocjancic
Stephanie Patriarco
Shannon Pike

MEMBER ABSENT

David Tredente, Vice President

Also present were Superintendent Patrick Colucci and Treasurer Kassandra Brand

CITIZENS PRESENT

Bob Ettinger, Tia Woodard, Tina Holden, Jenny Riedel, Nick Favero, Ryleigh Leveto-Favero, Lillian Leveto-Favero, Jessica Leveto, Jason Tackett, Zachary Tackett, Kathleen Measel, Chad Miller, Elijah Hamalainen, Shannon Hamalainen, Louis Wisnyai, Jeff Drake, Tashina Drake, Nikolas Rubesich, Cynthia Kemmerle, Danyel Ryan, Pattie Burnham, Adam Hamilton

MEDITATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMUNICATIONS/SPECIAL REPORTS

1. Buckeye's November Students of the Month

Thank you to our sponsors:

Ashtabula County YMCA
Briquettes Smokehouse
Kids Only Learning Center
Cash America Pawn
CompTech PCS
Demshar Eaton CPA
Glotzbecker's Service Center

Hoffmans Pharmacy
Lakeview Federal Credit Union
Melaragno HVAC
Ringer Wholesale Imprints, Inc.
Steak 'n Shake Ashtabula
Thomas Fence Company
Tony's Deli & Catering

Congratulations to the following students:

Adam Hamilton, 11th grade, Edgewood High School
Zachary Tackett, 8th grade, Braden Middle School
Ryleigh Leveto-Favero, 3rd grade, Kingsville Elementary School
Elijah Hamalainen, 3rd grade, Ridgeview Elementary School

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

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TREASURER’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

89.23 It is the recommendation of the Treasurer that the Board approve the following items:

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Pike to approve the following:

Approval of Minutes

Approve the November 21, 2023 BOE Regular Meeting minutes and the November 29, 2023 Special Meeting minutes, as presented to the board on December 11, 2023.

Financial Reports

Approve bills paid in November and the financial reports as presented to the board on December 11, 2023.

Student Activity Appropriation Adjustments

Approve the Student Activity appropriation adjustments in the amount of \$9,854.51.

BEA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Amendment - Evaluations

Approve the amended BEA MOU regarding teacher evaluations, as presented in **Exhibit A**.

Procuts Lawncare Snow Plowing

Accept the proposal from Procuts Lawncare for one year of snow plowing services at Kingsville Elementary School, as presented in **Exhibit B**.

EDGE Software License Renewal

Approve an agreement with EDGE Document Solutions for the renewal of the software license for Ultimate EDGE financial print software, effective January 1, 2024, as presented in **Exhibit C**.

Arcadia Cell Phone Tower Agreement

Approve the Master Marketing Agreement between Arcadia Infrastructure Group and Buckeye Local Schools to provide Arcadia with the exclusive right to market properties for the purpose of constructing one or more monopoles or other similar structures to wireless service providers for a period of five (5) years, as presented in **Exhibit D**.

UAW Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Amendment - Bus Driver Calamity Days and Non-Report Days

Approve the amended UAW MOU regarding bus driver calamity and non-report days, as presented in **Exhibit E**.

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TREASURER’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)

Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Hearing, Organizational Meeting, and Regular Meeting Dates

January 9, 2024:

- 5:30 PM: FY25 Budget Hearing
- 6:00 PM: Organizational Meeting
- 6:30 PM: Regular Meeting

RedTree Investment Advisory Agreement

Approve the agreement between Buckeye Local Schools and RedTree Investment Group for investment advisory services, as presented to the Board on December 19, 2023.

U.S. Bank Account Agreement and Custody Fee Schedule

Approve the custody account agreement and custody fee schedule between Buckeye Local Schools and U.S. Bank, as presented to the Board on December 19, 2023.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Pike, Mrs. Patriarco, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

90.23 It is the recommendation of the Treasurer that the Board approve the following item:

Mrs. Wisnyai moved and seconded by Mr. Kocjancic to approve the following:

Appoint President Pro Tempore

Appoint Mrs. Pike as the President Pro Tempore for the January 9, 2024, Organizational Meeting.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Wisnyai, Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Patriarco, and Mrs. Pike
Motion carried

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

91.23 It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following items:

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Pike to approve the following:

Indoor Track

Approve the opportunity for high school students to participate in indoor track, effective December 1, 2023.

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SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (CONTINUED)

Board Policies and Guidelines - Second Reading

Approve the following board policies and guidelines as presented to the board on November 17, 2023:

1. Special Update - May 2023
 - po0164 - Notice of Meetings

2. Vol. 42, No. 1 - August, 2023

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| po0164 | po5330 | po8120 |
| po014.2 | po5330.04 | po8210 |
| po2623.02 | po5330.05 | po8330 |
| po3120.08 | po5337 | po8600 |
| po4120.08 | po6240 | po8650 |
| po5113.01 | po6700 | po9160 |
| po5320 | po7440 | po9270 |

Accept Gifts

1. Accept a donation from the Montrose Chevrolet Auto Group (Fitzpatrick Media Group, LLC) to the Buckeye Local School District’s Fall Sports Program in the amount of \$1,000.
2. Accept a donation from The Ashtabula Area City School District to the Buckeye Local School District’s Building and Grounds/Athletic Department of a Two Door FireGuard Safe valued at \$2,000.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Pike, Mrs. Patriarco, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

92.23 It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following item:

Mrs. Pike moved and seconded by Mr. Kocjancic to approve the following:

Kingsville Public Library (KPL) Levy Renewal - Resolution to Proceed

Approve the resolution for the Kingsville Public Library to proceed with submitting to the electors of the Kingsville Public Library a renewal/increase levy on the March 19, 2024 ballot, as presented in **Exhibit F**.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Pike, Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Patriarco, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

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PERSONNEL

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following Personnel items:

93.23 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Patriarco to approve the following items:

Administrative Staff:

Administrative - Longevity

Nikolas Rubesich, Principal at Braden Middle School, 2% longevity, \$1,567.59, effective August 1, 2023.

Certified Staff:

Certified - Tutor

Kevin Rettinger, Home Instruction Tutor, for no more than 5 hours per week, hourly tutor rate of \$25.51 per hour, effective November 30, 2023.

Certified - Long-Term Substitute

Gretchen Hill, Long-Term Substitute, Braden Middle School, effective on the 61st day of current assignment, effective November 30, 2023, at \$196.96 per day.

Certified - Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

1. Mario Butera, teacher at Kingsville and Ridgeview, effective February 17, 2024, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.
2. Rachel Howell, teacher at Braden Middle School, effective March 13, 2024, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.
3. Lindsey McGraw, teacher at Ridgeview Elementary, effective February 17, 2024, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.
4. Karrie Powers, teacher at Ridgeview Elementary, effective March 17, 2024, for no more than 12 work weeks in a 12-month period.

Certified - Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignments:

| Name | Position | Start Date | Yrs Exp | Salary |
|------------------|---------------------------|------------|---------|------------|
| Chris Juncker | Varsity Boys Asst. Track | 2/19/24 | 7+ | \$4,008.07 |
| Beth Simpson | Varsity Girls Asst. Track | 2/19/24 | 7+ | \$4,008.07 |
| Mary Cornely | 7/8 Girls Asst. Track | 2/19/24 | 7+ | \$4,008.07 |
| McKenzie Wallace | 7/8 Girls Asst. Track | 2/19/24 | 3 | \$3,279.33 |

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PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

Certified/Non-Employees - Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignments:

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO APPOINT CERTIFIED/LICENSED
NON-EMPLOYEE(S) TO SUPPLEMENTAL POSITION(S)**

WHEREAS, the Buckeye Local Board of Education strives to appoint qualified certified/licensed employees to fulfill supplemental contracts; and

WHEREAS, the board has offered the following supplemental position(s) to certified/licensed employee(s) of the district; and

WHEREAS, no such employee(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

WHEREAS, the position(s) was then advertised to certified/licensed individual(s) who are not employed by the board; and

WHEREAS, no such person(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

WHEREAS, the board has deemed the following licensed/certified individuals identified below as qualified to fill the supplemental position(s);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buckeye Local Board of Education, in compliance with O.R.C. 3313.53(D), awards the following supplemental contract(s), for the school year indicated below, to the following person(s):

| Name | Position | Year | Start Date | Yrs Exp | Salary |
|---------------|-----------------|---------|------------|---------|------------|
| Joseph Measel | JV Baseball | 2023-24 | 2/19/24 | 0 | \$3,279.33 |
| Louis Murphy | 7/8 Boys Tennis | 2023-24 | 2/19/24 | 3 | \$1,457.48 |

Non-Certified/Non-Employees - Extracurricular and Special Fee Assignments:

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO APPOINT NON-CERTIFIED/
NON-LICENSED NON-EMPLOYEE(S) TO SUPPLEMENTAL POSITION(S)**

WHEREAS, the Buckeye Local Board of Education strives to appoint qualified certified/licensed employees to fulfill supplemental contracts; and

WHEREAS, the board has offered the following supplemental position(s) to certified/licensed employee(s) of the district; and

WHEREAS, no such employee(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

WHEREAS, the position(s) was then advertised to certified/licensed individual(s) who are not employed by the board; and

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PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

WHEREAS, no such person(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

WHEREAS, the board has deemed the following non-licensed/non-certified individuals identified below as qualified to fill the supplemental position(s);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buckeye Local Board of Education, in compliance with O.R.C. 3313.53(D), awards the following supplemental contract(s), for the school year indicated below, to the following person(s):

| Name | Position | Year | Start Date | Yrs Exp | Salary |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|---------|------------|---------|------------|
| Christine Batanian | 7/8 Boys Asst. Track | 2023-24 | 2/19/24 | 3 | \$3,279.33 |
| Brittany Mackey | JV Softball | 2023-24 | 2/19/24 | 2 | \$3,279.33 |
| Paul Zander | Winter Basketball Coordinator | 2023-24 | 12/11/23 | N/A | \$ 500.00 |

Classified Staff:

Classified - Change in Assignment

1. Linda Fogus, from 2nd Shift Custodian at Ridgeview to 1st Shift Custodian at Kingsville, 8 hours per day, Step 3 of 6, \$18.63 per hour, effective November 6, 2023.
2. Richard Hoback, from Maintenance to 2nd Shift Custodian at Ridgeview, 8 hours per day, Step 3 of 6, \$18.63 per hour, effective January 3, 2024.

Classified - Substitutes

1. Renee Cameron - Custodian
2. Nicole Goodenow - Secretary
3. Ryan Prinkey - Custodian
4. Candy Shelott - Crossing Guard
5. Michael Vendetti - Custodian

Volunteers

1. Jade Buhite - Boys Tennis
2. Andrew Graeb - Baseball
3. Terrance Henton - Girls Track
4. Randy Hibbard - Wrestling
5. Matt Ianetta - Softball
6. William Kline - Spring Musical
7. Jim Lamson - Softball
8. Jacob McKee - Spring Musical
9. Willie Ortega - Baseball
10. Chad Paolillo - Softball

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PERSONNEL (CONTINUED)

One-Year Temporary Non-Bachelor’s Substitute Teaching License 2023-2024
 School Year

In accordance with the passage of Senate Bill 1 of the 134th General Assembly, the Ohio Department of Education has been granted the authority to issue a one-time, non-renewable One-Year Temporary Non-Bachelor’s Substitute Teaching License for the 2023-2024 school year to applicants who do not hold a post-secondary degree but meet the employing school or district’s educational requirements with board approval.

1. Megan English - effective December 14, 2023
2. Josephine Measel - effective December 5, 2023

All personnel appointments are contingent upon possessing or obtaining the appropriate certification/licensure, validation, and/or permit as required by law and board policy, as well as satisfactory physical examination, criminal background check and/or current CPR training where applicable.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Patriarco, Mrs. Pike, and Mrs. Wisnyai
 Motion carried

BOARD OF EDUCATION’S REPORT

It is the recommendation of the Board of Education that the Board approve the following items:

94.23 Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Patriarco to approve the following items:

Board Member Recognition

- A. Approve the Resolution to Recognize the Service of Board Member, Mary Wisnyai, for her years of dedication, guidance, and leadership to the Buckeye Local School District and the community, as presented in **Exhibit G**.
- B. Approve the Resolution to Recognize the Service of Board Member, David Tredente, for his years of dedication, guidance, and leadership to the Buckeye Local School District and the community, as presented in **Exhibit H**.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Patriarco, Mrs. Pike, and Mrs. Wisnyai
 Motion carried

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VISITOR PARTICIPATION RELATIVE TO NEW ITEMS

None.

OTHER BUSINESS – FYI

None.

95.23 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kocjancic moved and seconded by Mrs. Pike to adjourn this regular meeting at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Kocjancic, Mrs. Pike, Mrs. Patriarco, and Mrs. Wisnyai
Motion carried

Attest: _____

MARY WISNYAI
PRESIDENT

KASSANDRA BRAND
TREASURER