

MINUTES OF THE MARGARETTA BOARD OF EDUCATION (BOE) REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 8, 2022.

Margaretta Board of Education met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 8, 2022 at the Margaretta Board of Education, 305 S. Washington Street, Castalia, Ohio.

Regular Board Meeting

Mr. Sutorius, Board President, then called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. requesting roll call by Mrs. Keegan:

Mr. Hula:	Present.
Mr. Schoenegge:	Present
Mrs. Tucker:	Present
Mr. Warner:	Present
Mr. Sutorius:	Present

The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited after roll call.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion by Mr. Warner, and seconded by Mr. Schoenegge, to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on Monday, August 8, 2022; Roll Call: Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Board and Staff Reports

Townsend Community School's (TCS) Report and TCS Margaretta Sponsor's Report

Mr. Ryan Bohn, TCS Principal and Superintendent, reported that the current TCS student enrollment as of August 8th was 480 and they have had 104 graduates for this 2021-2022 school year (adding three more graduates that just met all graduation requirements since last meeting). Mr. Bohn also invited the board and those in attendance at the meeting to TCS' open house on Wednesday, August 24th from 4:00-7:00 pm. Mr. Steve Keller, TCS Compliance Officer, stated that all the yearend uploads are complete and from that ODE selected and asked for 10 validation items to supply more details for. That activity is also complete. Mr. Keller stated that we are just getting prepared for next school year and anxiously awaiting our Sponsor rating in the fall. Mr. Kurt also stated that we have a few shared service agreements between Margaretta and TCS for a Science and Business teacher and an EMIS Coordinator. He also stated that the two schools have decided to move forward with three School Resource Officers (SRO) for next year (one in each building), in the aftermath of the Texas shooting.

Public Participation

Mr. Gary Smith stated he noticed that we have several employees leaving in late summer and asked if that is normal. Mr. Kurt stated that it happens and it is late, but we try to never block someone that is moving to take a promotion or better opportunity, which was the case for several of them. Mr. Smith then asked if we will have them filled before school and Mr. Kurt said yes and will be scheduling a special board meeting to make sure that happens.

Mr. Smith asked why we have someone on the agenda for graduation now, and Mr. Kurt stated because they just met all the graduation requirements over the summer to graduate now.

Mr. Smith heard that the SNAP program is going away and Mrs. Keegan stated that we haven't heard that and that SNAP is broader than just school lunches. Mrs. Keegan stated that the free breakfast and lunches for all students is going away this upcoming school year and so it is imperative to get families to complete the two page form to qualify for free or reduced meals in the future. It was discussed on how to get this communication out to the family as a mass. Mrs. Keegan stated that we are putting it on Facebook, the website, Final Forms to all parents and will be advertising it at both the open houses and if needed will drop applications in kids book bags to take home. Mr. Smith then went on to state that the Bidden Administration is contemplating a gender policy that would need to be implemented or the schools would not get their federal funding for school meals. We stated that we have not heard about that. Mr. Smith then asked what we would do if they require the school to adhere to the new gender policy and instruction. We will cross that bridge when we come to it.

Mr. Smith then asked if the board has ever done an evaluation of the Superintendent and Treasurer. Mr. Sutorius stated, yes they were just completed.

Introduction of Additional Items to the Agenda

Mr. Kurt stated there were no additions to the agenda

The Financial Report and Schedule of Bills

Mrs. Keegan presented the schedule of bills, bank reconciliations, fund balances, etc., that were included in the Board's packages for review. Mrs. Keegan reminded the board that we are reviewing July's results (the first month of the 2023 fiscal year). She stated that the revenue was a total of \$3.2M and expenses of \$1.1M resulting in an increase to the general fund balance of \$0.9M. The beginning cash balance in the total general fund as of July 1, 2022 was \$0.6M and the first month of the year generated a final General Fund cash balance of \$2.7M (or \$1.8M, without the general fund reserve of \$944K).

Treasurer's Report

New Business

Motion by Mr. Warner seconded by Mr. Schoenegge, on Resolution number 22-23-06, to authorize the Treasurer to make a 2023 Fiscal Year Inter-Fund Transfer of funds for the portion of Nexus allocated to the New Facility Reserve; Roll Call: Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Hula seconded by Mrs. Tucker, on Resolution number 22-23-07, to authorize the purchase of Builder's Risk Insurance for the commencement of the new facility project effective July 27, 2022 through July 27, 2024; Roll Call: Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mrs. Tucker seconded by Mr. Warner, on Resolution number 22-23-08, to authorize the constructing, furnishing, equipping of the new school facilities and approving the execution and delivery of not to exceed \$70M of Certificates of Participation (COPS). Mrs. Keegan stated that we erred on the high side of the total project to not exceed \$70M (which would include all the LFI's and the pool, etc.), which will not happen unless we can afford it, however under the advice of our attorney's they recommended to write it so as not to have to keep going back for amendments to the original resolution. Mr. Sutorius asked that even with the passing of this resolution, we can still pause the project if needed, and Mrs. Keegan stated

yes Roll Call: Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner seconded by Mr. Schoenegge, on Resolution number 22-23-09, to approve the College and Career Readiness Advisory Services with the Danbury Local School District to share the Advisor for the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Kurt stated that the intent is to have her work 2 days at Margaretta and 3 days at Danbury, she will be Danbury's employee and will bill Margaretta their share; Roll Call: Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Hula seconded by Mr. Warner, on Resolution number 22-23-10, to approve Amendment #1 to the MCS Agreement to authorize payment to MCS in an amount not-to-exceed \$65,280.00 for its services during the Construction and Closeout Phases of the Project. Mrs. Keegan reminded the Board that we only released a portion of the MCS, Owners Representative's, contract previously. This is just authorizes the remaining amount of his original bid amount. Mrs. Keegan also made the board aware that MCS honored their original quote for their total services on the new facilities and did not ask for an economic increase; Roll Call: Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Superintendent's Report

Old Business

Motion by Mr. Warner seconded by Mrs. Tucker, for Second Reading and approval of the Neola Policies Volume 40 #2: PO1439 - New - Special Update - May 2022 - Holidays, PO1615 - Use Of Tobacco by Administrators, PO2271 - College Credit Plus Program, PO3215 - Use Of Tobacco By Professional Staff, PO4215 - Use of Tobacco by Classified Staff, PO4439 - New - Special Update - May 2022 - Holidays, PO5511 - Dress and Grooming, PO5512 - Use of Tobacco, PO5772 - Weapons, PO6110 - Federal Funds, PO6114 - Cost Principles - Spending Federal Funds, PO6325 - Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds, PO6423 - Use of Credit Cards, PO7217 - Weapons, PO7434 - Use of Tobacco on School Premises, PO8500 - Food Services; Roll Call: Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Schoenegge seconded by Mr. Hula, to approve of the calendars for 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years; Roll Call: Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Mr. Kurt stated that we needed to revise the Preschool Handbook for new teacher (Elise Chaffins) and PK Special Educational Aide (Jason Gearheart) and that it did not need an additional vote, just want them to have the final handbook with the name changes.

New Business

Motion by Mr. Warner seconded by Mr. Schoenegge, Motion to approve Beau Shaffer as a Margaretta Class of 2022 graduate; Roll Call: Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Mr. Kurt introduced the First Reading of the Policy and Procedures for the Post-Issuance Compliance for the Bond Issue. Mrs. Keegan stated these are the policies and procedures that

we are to adhere to during and after the new facility construction and to fulfill the COPS financing requirements.

Motion by Mr. Warner seconded by Mr. Hula, to approve the MTA MOU to prorate the supplemental contracts into three trigger points of earning the supplemental payment (i.e., when hired, halfway point, and completion of full duties) for the 2022-2023 School Year. Mr. Kurt stated with Covid and Monkey Pox out there still, we wanted to continue to have this MOU in place, with the hopes that we will never need to use it; Roll Call: Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Informational Items

Mr. Kurt stated that the site prep work has begun and Mosser should be setting their trailers soon and that he heard that there is a meeting scheduled this week and is hoping some good news would be coming out of that Nexus meeting. Then Mr. Schoenegge asked why we need a retention pond if the property is in the Village, Mr. Kurt reminded the board that we are doing what is required by the EPA, OFCC and all other authorities of the construction and can't answer the specific question but that it is required to move forward with the project.

Personnel Actions

Motion by Mrs. Tucker seconded by Mr. Warner, to approve the increase of the Rachel Wixey sub teacher daily rate from \$90 to \$100 per day and the Rachel Wixey sub aide rate from \$10 to \$15 per hour; Roll Call: Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner seconded by Mr. Hula, to approve 5.5 Extended Days for Keven Wise for the 2022 summer. Mr. Kurt stated that Mr. Wise has been putting in a lot of extra time over the summer for the June and July Summer School Program that was outside of his contracted days and he thanked him for his hard work over the summer; Roll Call: Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

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Motion by Mr. Hula seconded by Mrs. Tucker, to accept the resignation of Robert Gossom effective 7/22/22; Roll Call: Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner seconded by Mr. Schoenegge, to accept the resignation of Brian Ferber effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year; Roll Call: Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner seconded by Mr. Hula, to approve the following supplemental positions for the 2022-2023 season: Jennifer Coffman - 8th Grade Volleyball Coach, Luke Weyer - 50% Freshman Football Coach, Erica Grahl - Fall Equipment Manager; Roll Call: Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner seconded by Mr. Hula, to approve up to 5 Additional Extended Days for Heather Lott for the 2022 summer; Roll Call: Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Classified

Motion by Mr. Schoenegge, seconded by Mrs. Tucker, to hire Carrie Lewis, Bus Aide, for the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Warner asked if she won't be driving and Mr. Kurt confirmed at this time no, just Bus Aide; Roll Call: Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mrs. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Warner, to rescind Anthony Lattimore as a 50% Freshman Football Coach, Ava Keller as Volunteer Cheer Coach, and rescind Rick Hudgel as an Eight Grade Volleyball Coach for the 2022 season; Roll Call: Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Hula and seconded by Mr. Schoenegge, to approve the following supplemental positions for the 2022-2023 season, pending the completion of all State and local requirements: Ava Keller - 50% Junior High Cheer Coach, Emily Yontz - 50% Junior High Cheer Coach, Brian Kingsborough - 50% Freshman Football Coach; Roll Call: Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner and seconded by Mrs. Tucker, to approve Karli Ried, Special Education Aide for the 2022-2023 school Year; Roll Call: Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner and seconded by Mrs. Tucker, to accept the resignation of Sarah Ransom, Food Service Supervisor effective August 15, 2022; Roll Call: Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner and seconded by Mrs. Tucker, to accept the resignation of Linda Hamm, Head Cook, effective August 3, 2022; Roll Call: Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner and seconded by Mrs. Tucker, to approve Rickie Shellhammer, Sub Custodian, pending the completion of all State and local requirements; Roll Call: Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner and seconded by Mrs. Tucker, to enter Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion or compensation of public employees and contract discussion; Roll Call: Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. with Mrs. Keegan, and Mr. Kurt remaining in the Executive Session.

Motion by Mrs. Tucker and seconded by Mr. Schoenegge, to return to open session; Roll Call: Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Motion by Mr. Warner seconded by Mr. Hula, to adjourn the meeting having no further business to come before the Board; Roll Call: Mrs. Tucker: aye, Mr. Warner: aye, Mr. Hula: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, and Mr. Sutorius: aye.

Adjourning at 8:15 p.m.

The next regular BOE meeting will be Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Margareta Board of Education, 305 S. Washington Street, Castalia, Ohio. New Teacher day is August 15th, August 16-17 is the staff in service days and there will be OTES (employee evaluation) training on August 18th.

Respectfully Submitted

Brian Sutorius
Board President

Diane Keegan
Treasurer