

**MINUTES OF THE MARGARETTA BOARD OF EDUCATION (BOE) REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 14, 2019.**

The Margarettta Board of Education met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday October 14, 2019 at the Board Office.

Mr. Warner called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. requesting roll call by Mrs. Keegan:

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| Mr. Miller:     | Present  |
| Mr. Schoenegge: | Present  |
| Mr. Sutorius:   | Present  |
| Mrs. Yetter:    | Present  |
| Mr. Warner:     | Present. |

**Approval of the Minutes**

Motion by Mrs. Yetter, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on September 9, 2019 and the Special BOE Meeting on October 7, 2019; Roll call: Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mr. Sutorius: aye, Mrs. Yetter: aye, Mr. Miller: aye, Mr. Warner: aye.

**Board and Staff Reports**

**Townsend Community School's (TCS) Report**

Mr. Pete Bartkowiak, TCS Superintendent, reported out the current statistics of enrollment numbers (1,409 as of 10/11/19), graduates this school year (31), etc. He also apologized for missing a few of the Margarettta Board meetings lately, which was due to the Community Work Group that he is an active participant. Mr. Bartkowiak also told some antidotal stories of some of the current TCS students and their backgrounds and how TCS has helped them get back on track for graduation. He also reviewed the higher than normal withdrawal numbers, which are historically high at the start of a school year. This occurs in the fall as TCS tries to contact and find all the previous year's students, he assured that this was nothing to be concerned about. He also mentioned that most school enrollments into TCS have seen steady growth, however Margarettta's enrollment has been fairly consistent at 40 to 50 students for the last few years. He spoke about the Community School work group committee that he is a part of and their progress to date. He also spoke of the strong Community School support among the State Representatives. He reviewed many demographics and details of the enrollment population. Mr. Mock had also mentioned that just 5 schools make up more than 50% of the TCS student population.

**TCS Margarettta Sponsor's Report**

Mr. Steve Keller, Margarettta TCS Compliance Officer, gave the TCS update. He stated that Mrs. Keegan reviewed the TCS financials and emailed the analysis to all the board members for

their review. He then reviewed the information that was covered at the monthly Sponsor meeting with TCS on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. He covered upcoming due dates for the Annual Budget (Oct 31<sup>st</sup>), 5 year forecast (Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>), minutes approving the budget (Dec 30<sup>th</sup>). He also covered the training he has attended as well as upcoming training this week. He and Mrs. Keegan talked about the meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup> that was between Margaretta and TCS, with one board member and attorneys from each school as well as Mr. Bartkowiak and Mrs. Keegan. Mrs. Keegan mentioned that the discussion was centered on TCS's response of a settlement agreement with ODE, as well as the ongoing FTE audit appeal, and Special Educational audit with ODE.

### **Public Participation**

Mrs. Cindy Patrick expressed her concerns as it relates to the process of extending an invitation to students to apply for National Honor Society, if it is known that the student does not meet some of the basic requirements of the being inducted into National Honor Society (specifically the requirement of taking advanced classes). There was a discussion of why extend the offer knowing that the student does not meet one of the basic requirements of advanced classes and allows the student do the work to complete the application, only to be denied for the lack of advanced classes. There were other concerns that she raised as well. This discussion then lead into a discussion about the College Credit Plus (CCP) Program and how it is systematically dismantling the high school population in the school building. Mr. Mock then responded that it is a State program and the local school has no control over the process or how it is to be administered.

### **The Financial Report and Schedule of Bills**

Mrs. Keegan asked if there were any questions on the schedule of bills, bank reconciliations, or fund balances. She then reviewed the financial report that compares this year-to-date results to last year for the same period. This report reflects the third month of the fiscal year (July 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019). Mrs. Keegan stated that the District's General Fund revenue exceeded the expenditures for the first three months by \$1.4 million, which is to be expected given we just collected half of the year's property tax revenues FY 2019. This cash balance will be reduced in the coming months as expenditures will outpace the monthly revenues. Compared to the same time period last year of approximately \$1.1 million. Specifically resulting in an improvement of approximately \$222 thousand from the same period last year. The District's beginning General Fund cash balance was \$787,201 and with the current year improvement of \$1.4 million, leaves the ending September cash balance \$2.1 million. She stated that the revenue this year is favorable by approximately \$102 thousand and the expenditures are also favorable by approximately \$121 thousand.

## **Treasurer's Report**

### **New Business**

Motion by Mr. Sutorius seconded by Mrs. Yetter on Resolution number 19-20-18, to approve expenditures that have exceeded the \$3,000 threshold of the "then and now" provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(d); Roll Call: Mr. Sutorius: aye, Mrs. Yetter: aye, Mr. Miller: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mr. Warner: aye.

Motion by Mr. Miller seconded by Mrs. Yetter on Resolution number 19-20-19, to approve the Shared Services Agreement with the Perkins Local School District to share a Margareta Preschool Classroom for the 2019/2020 school year; Roll Call: Mrs. Yetter: aye, Mr. Miller: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mr. Sutorius: aye, Mr. Warner: aye.

## **Superintendent's Report**

### **New Business**

Motion by Mr. Sutorius seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the North Point Educational Service Center employees to suspend students from North Point programs should their behaviors or activities be severe enough that merit said response; Roll Call: Mr. Miller: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mr. Sutorius: aye, Mrs. Yetter: aye, Mr. Warner: aye.

Mr. Mock then introduced the first reading of Board Policy 2413 for Career Advising and the Academic Acceleration Policy.

## **Personnel Actions**

### **Classified**

Motion by Mr. Sutorius seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the hiring of Miah Laser, Assistant Varsity Boys and Girls Swim Coach for the 2019/20 season; Roll Call: Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mr. Sutorius: aye, Mrs. Yetter: aye, Mr. Miller: aye, Mr. Warner: aye.

Motion by Mr. Sutorius, seconded by Mrs. Yetter to approve the hiring of Kennedy Hilton, Sub Bus Aide and Angela Stanley, Sub Custodian for the 2019/2020 School Year (SY); Roll Call: Mr. Sutorius: aye, Mrs. Yetter: aye, Mr. Miller: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mr. Warner: aye.

Motion by Mr. Schoenegge seconded by Mr. Sutorius to approve Nancy Johnson, as a volunteer for the High School Offices for the 2019/2020 SY; Roll Call: Mrs. Yetter: aye, Mr. Miller: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mr. Sutorius: aye, Mr. Warner: aye.

### Informational Items/Correspondence

Mr. Mock then gave a quick update on the new facilities. He mentioned that we have submitted our ELPP application and have the OFCC enrollment projections, which is approximately 98% complete and will be submitted soon. He also mentioned that we have a conference call scheduled for October 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. with Baker Tilly and Bricker & Eckler on building financing. Mrs. Keegan also mentioned that the Nexus county valuations still haven't been communicated to the district yet. It was determined that the state had sent them U.S. mail, which is slowing down the communication. Mrs. Keegan also mentioned that BASA and Bricker & Eckler had a seminar last week on the Ohio pipelines.

Motion by Mr. Miller seconded by Mr. Sutorius to enter Executive Session to discuss the potential appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion or compensation of public employees; Roll Call: Mr. Miller: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mr. Sutorius: aye, Mrs. Yetter: aye, Mr. Warner: aye.

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. with Mrs. Keegan, Mr. Mock and Mrs. Meyers (at the request of Mr. Warner) remaining in the Executive Session.

Motion by Mr. Sutorius, seconded by Mrs. Yetter, to return to Open Public Session; Roll Call: Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mr. Sutorius: aye, Mrs. Yetter: aye, Mr. Miller: aye, Mr. Warner: aye.

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Schoenegge, to adjourn the meeting having no further business to come before the Board; Roll Call: Mr. Sutorius: aye, Mrs. Yetter: aye, Mr. Miller: aye, Mr. Schoenegge: aye, Mr. Warner: aye. Adjourning at 7:45 p.m.

The next regular BOE meeting has been scheduled for Monday November 18, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Board Office.

Respectfully Submitted

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Andrew Warner  
Board President

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Diane Keegan  
Treasurer