

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Rittman Board of Education

Meeting

Held on: January 10, 2023

The Rittman Board of Education met January 10, 2023, in the Professional Development (#117) of Heritage Hall. Mrs. Avery called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Stuart, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis, Mrs. Avery and Mr. Beltz were present.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Mrs. Avery nominated Mr. Stuart for President of the Board of Education for 2023, the motion seconded by Mr. Beltz.

#01-2023
President

VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Avery, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Beltz and Mr. Baillis

Abstained: Mr. Stuart

The motion carried with 4 - 0 - 1 vote.

Mr. Plahuta nominated Mrs. Avery as Vice President of the Board of Education for 2023, the motion seconded by Mr. Stuart.

#02-2023
Vice-President

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis, and Mr. Beltz

Abstained: Mrs. Avery

The motion carried with 4 - 0 - 1 vote.

Mr. Stuart was appointed as Legislative Liaison for 2023. Mr. Stuart will serve as the legislative contact for the Board of Education with OSBA.

Mrs. Avery was appointed as Student Achievement Liaison for 2023. Mrs. Avery will serve as a member of OSBA's Student Achievement Initiative.

Mr. Beltz was appointed as Rittman Recreation Liaison for 2023. Mr. Beltz will serve as the Rittman Board contact on the Rittman Recreation Center Board.

Mr. Stuart was appointed as Rittman Small School District Advisory Network Liaison for 2023, with Mr. Beltz appointed as alternate.

Mr. Plahuta made the motion, seconded by Mr. Beltz to approve travel related official duties while serving OSBA to Mr. Stuart for the 2023 calendar year.

#03-2023
Travel Duties
OSBA

VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Avery, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Beltz and Mr. Baillis

Abstained: Mr. Stuart

The motion carried with 4 - 0 - 1 vote.

Established regular monthly meetings for 2023:

Mrs. Avery made the motion seconded by Mr. Beltz to hold the monthly meetings for 2023 on the third Tuesday of each month in the Rittman Board Office, Heritage Hall, 100 Saurer Street, at 7:00 p.m. With the exception of June, July and August meetings which will be held at 7:00 a.m.

#04-2023
Regular
Monthly Mtgs

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis, and Mrs. Avery

The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Plahuta made the motion seconded by Mr. Beltz for the Board of Education to authorize and establish at its organizational meeting a service fund. This fund pays for board training, travel, non-Rittman board meetings and other obligations. This must be done at this time even though the accounts (001-2310-431 and 434) are established and appropriated in the annual appropriations resolution. We recommend that the Board of Education establish a

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service fund as provided in O.R.C. 3315.15 with the maximum appropriation not to exceed \$7,500.

#05-2023

Service Fund

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis, and Mrs. Avery

The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Baillis made the motion seconded by Mrs. Avery to approve the Annual Authorizations of the Treasurer:

#06-2023

Annual
Authorizations
Treasurer

- A. Advances on tax collections from the county auditor as they are available or the maximum amount available and appropriate these funds.
- B. Pay all bills as they come due, with such payments to be approved by the Board of Education at its next regular meeting.
- C. Making investments within the limits provided in law and regulations.
- D. Pay "in lieu of" payments or mileage for approved student transportation instead of providing bus service, with any approved "in lieu of" situations to be reviewed and approved by the Board of Education at its next regular meeting.
- E. Resolution authorizing reduction in force (see attachment).
- F. Serve as Public Records Officer and attend Public Records training on behalf of the Board of Education members.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis, and Mrs. Avery

The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Beltz made the motion seconded by Mrs. Avery to approve the Annual Authorizations of the Superintendent:

#07-2023

Annual
Authorizations
Superintendent

- A. Attendance at professional meetings within the limits of the amount approved in the annual appropriations resolution.
- B. Travel for the purpose of conducting school district business and to attend professional meetings and to be reimbursed for all appropriate and reasonable expenses within the approved appropriations.
- C. Employ personnel as needed subject to confirmation by the Board of Education at its first regular meeting after the temporary employee's criminal records check is received and the temporary employee is confirmed employable.
- D. File applications for federal and state or other available grants.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis, and Mrs. Avery

The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

TAX BUDGET MEETING

#08-2023

Tax Budget

Mr. Beltz made the motion seconded by Mr. Baillis to approve the Tax Budget for the 2023-2024 school year. Public hearing was held.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis, and Mrs. Avery

The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

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REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Roll Call: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis, Mrs. Avery and Mr. Beltz were present.

Mrs. Avery made the motion seconded by Mr. Beltz to approve the Minutes from the November 15, 2022 regular board meeting.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Baillis, Mrs. Avery and Mr. Plahuta.
The motion carried with 5-0 vote.

#09-2023
Minutes

Mr. Plahuta made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Avery to approve the agenda as presented, including addendum.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Baillis, Mrs. Avery and Mr. Plahuta.
The motion carried with 5-0 vote.

#10-2023
Agenda

Public Participation - None

Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The presiding officer may prohibit public comments that are frivolous, repetitive and/or harassing.

Presentation of significant accomplishments & activities

Mr. Ritchie recognized the Board Members for their dedication and service as part of the Board Member Appreciation Month.

Mrs. Avery made the motion seconded by Mr. Beltz to approve the Consent Agenda of the Treasurer as follows:

- A. Approved the November and December Financial Reports. (See Doc Book.)
- B. Approved establishing the standard gas mileage reimbursement costs at 65.5 cents a mile, beginning January 1, 2023 as set by the Internal Revenue Service.
- C. Approved the following donations:

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| \$ 555.91. | G. Rutherford & Ohio Pyle | Athletics - Volleyball |
| \$ 250.00 | Romich Foundation | Academic Challenge |
- D. Approved the OSBA Annual Membership Dues for the 2023 calendar year.
- E. Approved the OSBA Legal Assistance Fund Consultant Service for the 2023 calendar year.
- F. Approved the grant awarded from the Wayne County Children’s Resource Fund, a component fund of the Wayne County Community Foundation for “Helping Students to be Confident Readers”.
- G. Approved grants awarded from the John Kaylor Memorial Fund and Carl E. Congdon, Jr. and Susanna Congdon McIntyre Memorial Fund. Both component funds of the Wayne County Community Foundation to “Get Growing with Hydroponics” project.

#11-2023
Consent
Agenda of
Treasurer

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H. Approved grant awarded from the Ohio STEM Learning Network Classroom Grant Program, funded by Battelle to "Get Growing with Hydroponics" project.

I. Approved the following Policy Update:

Public Participation at Board Meetings

J. Approved the Consulting Agreement between Shaffer Heating and Cooling, Inc and the Rittman Exempted Village School District beginning February 1, 2023 and continue for twelve (12) months.

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis and Mrs. Avery.
The motion carried with 5-0 vote.

Mr. Beltz made the motion, seconded by Mr. Baillis to approve the Consent Agenda of the Superintendent as follows:

#12-2023
Consent
Agenda of
Superintendent

A. Approved the adoption of the following resolutions:

The National Association for Music Education and the Ohio Music Education Association has designated March 2022 as Music in Our Schools Month, focusing on the theme "Music, is All of Us".

Also Youth Art Month, sponsored by the Ohio Art Education Association. The 2022 Youth Art Month theme is "Your Art, Your Voice".

B. Approved stipend (\$100) to Hailey Booth as Wayne County Spelling Bee Advisor for the 2022-2023 school year.

C. Approved the following letters of resignation:

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| Natalie Bauman | effective December 30, 2022 |
| Ricky Shreve | effective July 31, 2023 |
| Robert Davis | effective May 29, 2023. |

D. Approved one-year contracts to the following, after meeting all necessary requirements:

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| Denise Buschor | Effective 11/25/2022 |
| Nathan Brinker | Effective 11/29/2022 |
| Teresa Barnum | Effective 01/04/2023 |
| Heather Tooley | Effective 01/04/2023 |
| Elayna Yuschak | Effective 01/04/2023 |

E. Approved the following Volunteers for the 2022-2023 school year:

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| Tom Holmes | MS Boys Basketball |
| Hannah Banfield | Track (Indoor) |
| Anne Baumann | Track |
| Dennis Copenhaver | Track |
| Andrew Kollin | Wrestling |

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| Madison Smith | Softball |
| Jonathon Halliwell | Softball |

- F. Approve the Course Offerings Handbook for 2023-2024 (see attached).
- G. Approve an additional candidate to the in lieu of transportation list (see attached).
- H. Approved a Continuing Contract for Jenese Fraley, Classified, beginning January 1, 2023.
- I. Approved the following for Supplemental positions during the 2022-2023 school year:

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| Matthew Snyder | Varsity Head Boys Track Coach |
| Matthew Snyder | Varsity Head Girls Track Coach |
| Crystal Ward | Varsity Assistant Track Coach |
| Todd Shreve | Varsity Assistant Track Coach – 50/50 |
| Madelynn McDermott | Varsity Assistant Track Coach – 50/50 |
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| Jackson Yontz | JV Varsity Baseball Coach – 50/50 |
| Manny Garza | JV Varsity Baseball Coach – 50/50 |

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis and Mrs. Avery.
The motion carried with 5-0 vote.

Discussion Items – None at this time.

Career Center Update – March 28, 2023 NE Region Conference

Rittman Recreation Center – None at this time.

Legislative Liaison Updates –Legislature is just starting up.

#13-2023

Mr. Plahuta made the motion, seconded by Mr. Stuart to adjourn for executive session:
For the purpose of discussing negotiations.

Executive Session

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis, and Mrs. Avery
The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

President Stuart call the Board back into regular session at 8:15 pm.

Mrs. Avery made the motion seconded by Mr. Baillis to adjourn until the next regular
scheduled meeting on February 21, 2023 to be held in the new RELC Preschool classroom

#14-2023

VOTE: Ayes: Mr. Stuart, Mr. Beltz, Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Baillis, and Mrs. Avery
The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Adjourn

Board President

Treasurer