

Held on: January 14, 2016

The Rittman Board of Education met January 14, 2016, in the Professional Development (#117) of Heritage Hall. Mr. Hartzler called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Mr. Hartzler, Mr. Stuart, Mrs. Wolfe, Mr. Plahuta and Mr. Marquart were present.

**Oath of Office was administered to recently elected members: Mr. Doug Stuart and Mr. Dave Plahuta.**

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

Mr. Plahuta nominated Mr. Stuart for President of the Board of Education for 2016. Mr. Plahuta made the motion seconded by Mrs. Wolfe.

**#01-2016**  
President

**VOTE: Ayes:** Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Marquart, Mr. Hartzler, and Mrs. Wolfe while Mr. Stuart abstained.

The motion carried with 4 ayes - 0 - 1 abstention.

Mr. Stuart completed the Oath of Office as President of the Board of Education.

Mr. Plahuta nominated Mr. Hartzler as Vice President of the Board of Education for 2016. Mr. Plahuta made the motion seconded by Mr. Stuart.

**#02-2016**  
Vice-President

**VOTE: Ayes:** Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Marquart, Mrs. Wolfe, and Mr. Stuart while Mr. Hartzler abstained.

The motion carried with 4 ayes - 0- 1 abstention.

Mr. Hartzler completed the Oath of Office as Vice President of the Board of Education.

Mr. Stuart made the following appointments:

Mr. Marquart was appointed as Legislative Liaison for 2016. Mr. Marquart will serve as the legislative contact for the Board of Education with OSBA.

Mrs. Wolfe was appointed as Student Achievement Liaison for 2016. Mrs. Wolfe will serve as a member of OSBA’s Student Achievement Initiative.

Established regular monthly meetings for 2016:

Monthly meeting for 2016 will be held 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.

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Mr. Plahuta made the motion seconded by Mrs. Wolfe 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 service fund as provided in O.R.C. 3315.15 with the maximum appropriation not to exceed \$7,500.

**#03-2016**  
Service Fund

**VOTE: Ayes:** Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Marquart, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Hartzler and Mrs. Wolfe  
The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Hartzler made the motion seconded by Mr. Stuart to approve the Annual Authorizations of the Treasurer:

**#04-2016**  
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).

**VOTE: Ayes:** Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Marquart, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Hartzler and Mrs. Wolfe  
The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Marquart made the motion seconded by Mr. Plahuta to approve the Annual Authorizations of the Superintendent:

**#05-2016**  
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. Plahuta, Mr. Marquart, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Hartzler and Mrs. Wolfe  
The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

**TAX BUDGET MEETING**

Mr. Plahuta made the motion seconded by Mrs. Wolfe to approve the Tax Budget for the 2015-2016 school year. Public hearing was held.

**#06-2016**  
Tax Budget

**VOTE: Ayes:** Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Marquart, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Hartzler and Mrs. Wolfe.  
The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

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## REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Mr. Marquart made the motion seconded by Mr. Plahuta to approve the Minutes from the November 17, 2014 regular board meeting and the December 15, 2015 Special Meeting.

#07-2016  
Minutes

**VOTE:** Ayes: Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Marquart, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Hartzler and Mrs. Wolfe. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Hearing of public committees, delegations and individuals. - Mr. Ritchie recognized the Board Members for their dedication and service as part of the Board Member Appreciation Month.

Mr. Plahuta made the motion seconded by Mr. Hartzler to approve the Consent Agenda of the Treasurer as follows:

#08-2016  
Consent  
Agenda  
Treasurer

- A. Approved the November and December Financial Reports (See Document Book.)
- B. Approved establishing the gas mileage reimbursement costs at .54 cents a mile, beginning January 1, 2016. The standard is set by the Internal Revenue Service.
- C. Approved the Board Policy Updates. Many of these updates are due to new legislation or reference changes. (See Document Book.)
- D. Approved the following donations to Rittman Schools:

\$2500.00	Anonymous	for Christmas Baskets
\$ 155.00	Rittman Rotary	for MSHS Choir
\$6346.00		for Scoreboard
\$ 95.00		for Drama

**VOTE:** Ayes: Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Marquart, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Hartzler and Mrs. Wolfe. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mrs. Wolfe made the motion seconded by Mr. Marquart to approve the Consent Agenda of the Superintendent as follows:

#09-2016  
Consent  
Agenda  
Superintendent

- A. Approved the 2016-2017 calendar.
- B. Approved employment of Jacob Morgan, Supplemental Contract as Track Assistant for the 2015-2016 school year, pending proper documentation
- C. Approved the Ohio Operating Standards for the Education of Children with Disabilities, July 14, 2014 approved by the Board of Education. The link for these standards is:

<http://education.ohio.gov/getattachment/Topics/Special-Education/Federal-and-State-Requirements/Operational-Standards-and-Guidance/2014-Ohio-Operating-Standards-for-the-Education-of-Children-with-Disabilities.pdf.aspx>

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D. Approved employment of Katelyn Havanchak as Classified Sub for the 2015-2016 school year, pending obtaining the proper documentation.

**VOTE:** Ayes: Mr. Plahuta, Mr. Marquart, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Hartzler and Mrs. Wolfe. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Stuart will serve as on the Small School District Advisory Network for 2016 for the Board of Education with OSBA.

Rittman Academy Update: Nothing at this time.

Rittman Recreation Center Update: Nothing at this time.

Career Center Updates: Mr. Stuart stated the Career Center has starting the process for a RamTech program.

Legislative Liaison Update: Mr. Marquart stated nothing to report at this time.

Mr. Marquart made the motion seconded by Mr. Plahuta to adjourn until the next regular scheduled meeting on February 16, 2015.

**VOTE:** Ayes: Plahuta, Mr. Hartzler, Mrs. Wolfe, Mr. Stuart, and Mr. Marquart were present. The motion was carried with a 5-0 vote.

**#10-2016**  
Adjourn

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Board President

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Treasurer