

Walnut Township Local School District Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Monday, October 12, 2020
Laker Learning Center
6:00 p.m.

The board meeting was live on Zoom Pro. The board meeting was also recorded and can be accessed at the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3JfA2elxs7Q>

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with all members present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

20-229 Executive Session

Motion by Mrs. Keller, and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker, to go into Executive Session to consider the employment, or compensation of a public employee or official. Action to follow.
(Time: 6:01 p.m.)

Roll Call: Mrs. Keller-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried

Reconvened to Open Session. (Time: 6:26 p.m.)

20-230 Approval of Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, and seconded by Mrs. Keller, to accept the agenda as amended by the Treasurer and Superintendent.

Roll Call: Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Whitaker, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

Public Participation – There was no public participation.

20-231 Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mrs. Whitaker, and seconded by Mrs. Keller, to approve the minutes from the September 16, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

Roll Call: Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

Communications:

Ms. Yenni, Elementary Principal – Ms. Yenni stated that Mrs. Rigsby applied for a \$3,500 grant for a software program Reflex which is math facts. October 19th is Literacy testing and October 23rd is the end of the grading period. Twenty students from the elementary met with the mobile dentist and 50 students got library cards through the literacy program. They had a record year for mums this year.

Mrs. Terry, HS Principal – Mrs. Terry thanked the students and teachers for their flexibility due to the change in school status on Thursday and Friday. The Jr/Sr information night will be rescheduled along with the PSAT. Financial aide night will be October 14th and the Americanism test will be November 5th. The 10th grade will be taking a virtual tour of the career center. We have 2 Jr High school students showing at the County Fair. Picture day is October 20th and virtual students can get their pictures taken October 22nd.

Mr. Kirby, Superintendent – Mr. Kirby stated the next blood drive for NHS will be held December 28th and safety protocols will be in place, however, the location will not be at school. He has received the 3 quotes for communications and will be making a recommendation to go into a service agreement. He also updated the board on our COVID numbers for staff and students. This information will be updated every Monday on our website as it also has to be reported to the Department of Health every Monday.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Bradford gave the September 2020 Financial report. September General Fund revenues were \$239,361 which included the state foundation settlement, investment earnings, and our Medicaid reimbursement. September General Fund expenditures were \$501,285 and total checks written for the month was \$627,392.82. September expenditures were higher than revenues by \$261,924.

20-232 Motion by Mrs. Keller, and seconded by Mrs. Armstrong, to approve the Treasurer's Report and accept the bills paid for September, 2020 as presented.

Roll Call: Mrs. Keller-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

20-233 Motion by Mrs. Whitaker, and seconded by Mrs. Keller, to approve the attached Then and Now purchase order for Eagle Wings Academy for \$3,780.00.

Discussion was had by Mrs. Bradford in regards to the invoice.

Roll Call: Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes, Mr. Popo – yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

20-234 Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, and seconded by Mr. Popo, to approve the attached requisition for legal services with Bricker and Eckler, which are for a "specific" permitted purpose and exceeds the \$10,000 limit outlined in board policy DJ.

Roll Call: Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes, Mrs. Whitaker, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

Superintendent's Recommendations:

20-235 Motion by Mrs. Keller, and seconded by Mrs. Armstrong, to approve the substitute teacher list for October, 2020, as approved by the Fairfield County Educational Service Center.

Roll Call: Mrs. Keller-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

20-236 Motion by Mrs. Keller, and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker, to approve the resolution to declare transportation impractical for certain identified students as presented pursuant to the requirements of Revised Code Chapter 3327 and the procedures set forth by the Ohio Department of Education. The resolution follows careful evaluation of all other available options prior to consideration of impracticality.

The Walnut Township Local School Board of Education hereby approves the following parent/guardian payment in lieu of transportation.

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Parent/Guardian Name</u>
Presley Fown	Liberty Christian	3	Melinda Fown
Lilly Clark	Liberty Christian	5	Kelly Clark
Jacob Widmer	Liberty Christian	7	Kevin Widmer/Sarah Widmer-Holman
Kennedy Izyk	Fairfield Christian Academy	11	Charlotte Izyk

Roll Call: Mrs. Keller-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

20-237 First reading of a complete revision of the following board policies, with the intent of formally adopting the policies at the December meeting of the Walnut Township Local Board of Education in accordance with current policy BF:

AC Nondiscrimination	JED Student Absences and Excuses
ACA Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex	JEE Student Attendance Accounting
ACAA Sexual Harassment	JEGA Permanent Exclusion
ACAA-R Sexual Harassment Grievance Process	JF Student Rights and Responsibilities
BDC Executive Sessions	JFCF Hazing and Bullying
BDDG Minutes	JFCF-R Hazing and Bullying-Regs.
GBCB Staff Conduct	JG Student Discipline
GBH Staff-Student Relations	JGD Student Suspension
GCPD Suspension & Termination of Prof Staff	JGDA Emergency Removal of Student
GDPD Suspension, Demotion & Termination of Support Staff Members	JEE Student Attendance Accounting
IJA Career Advising	JM Staff-Student Relations
IKF Graduation Requirements	KG Community Use of School Premises
IKFC Graduation Plans & Students at Risk of Not Qualifying for a HS Diploma	KJA Distribution of Materials in the Schools
IND/INDA School Ceremonies & Observances/Patriotic Exercises	KLD Public Complaints About District Personnel
	KLD-R Public Complaints About District Personnel-Regs

Discussion was had by Mr. Kirby explaining that most all of the changes to these policies deal with Title IX changes as it is federal law and supersedes our policy. In Policy BDC, we are allowed to leave the word students in the policy as it is a legitimate reason for executive session. There will be a second reading on these policies in November.

20-238 Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, and seconded by Mrs. Keller, to approve the disposal of two (2) Baldwin upright pianos valued at less than \$10,000.00 each in accordance with board policy DN (School Properties Disposal).

Discussion was had by Mr. Kirby explaining that we need to dispose of property which then gives us authorization to sell the property. One of the piano's is from the band room and was holding moisture due to humidity. We are looking at different option to sell property.

Roll Call: Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

20-239 Motion by Mr. Popo. and seconded by Mrs. Armstrong, to approve the labor negotiated agreement and memorandum of agreement with the Walnut Township Education Association, effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022.

Roll Call: Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

20-240 Motion by Mrs. Keller, and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker, to approve a 1.5% increase of the base rate of pay with 0 years of experience for all classified employees effective July 1, 2020 and to approve a 0.5% increase of the base rate of pay with 0 years of experience for all classified employees, effective July 1, 2021.

Roll Call: Mrs. Keller-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

Superintendent's Personnel Recommendations:

20-241 Motion by Mrs. Keller, and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker, to approve the following non-certified person(s) to be employed under supplemental contract(s) for a period of one year (given an insufficient number of certified teachers interested in and qualified to hold student activity/athletic supplemental contract(s) as advisors and/or coaches), beginning with the 2020-2021 school year and ending in June of 2021. Salary terms and conditions of these supplemental contract(s) to be consistent with the descriptors contained in the appropriate negotiated Master Agreement between the Walnut Township Education Association and the Walnut Township Local Board of Education, pending receipt of all required documents (**all contracts contingent upon sufficient participation**).

<u>Person</u>	<u>Position</u>
Jack Roby	Jr High Girls Basketball

Mr. Kirby stated that Mr. Roby coached biddy and came highly recommended. He is also contingent on all of his paperwork being turned in.

Roll Call: Mrs. Keller-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Ms. King-yes
Motion carried.

20-242 Motion by Mrs. Keller, and seconded by Mrs. Armstrong, to hire Diane Spears on an as-needed contract for the 2020-2021 school year starting 10/13/2020, step 5, Accounts Payable Salary Schedule.

Mrs. Bradford explained the need for the hiring and that this will allow a transition time to figure out how many hours and days is needed for that position alone in her office.

Roll Call: Mrs. Keller-yes, Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

Discussion was had in regards to the November Board meeting. It was stated that it was changed for Capital Conference, however it is being held virtually now. It was kept at the current meeting date of November 16th to not cause confusion if changed back.

Mrs. Armstrong thanked Mr. Kirby and Mrs. Amspaugh for visiting at her grandfather's funeral.

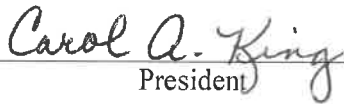
20-243 Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Armstrong, and seconded by Mrs. Keller, to adjourn the meeting.

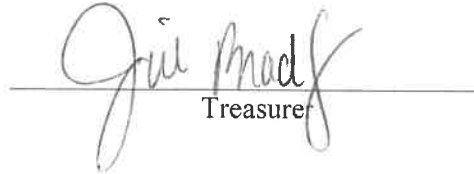
(Time: 7:10 p.m.)

Roll Call: Mrs. Armstrong-yes, Mrs. Keller-yes, Mrs. Whitaker-yes, Mr. Popo-yes, Ms. King-yes.
Motion carried.

I certify these minutes to be correct.



President



Treasurer

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

All meetings of the Board and Board-appointed committees are open to the public. In order for the Board to fulfill its obligation to complete the planned agenda in an effective and efficient fashion, a maximum of 30 minutes of public participation may be permitted at each meeting. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used.

