

Roll Call:	Cutler,	Present
	Jenkins,	Present
	Smith,	Present
	Stockham,	Present
	Wooldridge,	Present

16-194 APPROVAL OF MINUTES Mr. Stockham motioned to approve the minutes of the regular meetings of August 9 and August 23, 2016. Seconded by Mr. Cutler, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

16-195 APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Mr. Cutler motioned to approve the financial statements for the period ending August 31, 2016. Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

Public Concerns

Mr. Cutler discussed a recent back to school article in the Pike County News-Watchman. Mr. Cutler asked Dr. Burkitt if he was contacted about the article this year or in previous years. Dr. Burkitt responded that he was not contacted this year but had been contacted in previous years. Mr. Cutler noted that the article was from the perspective of Mrs. Jenkins and Mr. Wooldridge. Mr. Cutler asked if the newspaper had contacted Mrs. Jenkins. Mrs. Jenkins stated that the newspaper contacted her but cannot speak to why Dr. Burkitt or the other board members were not contacted. Mrs. Jenkins stated that she does not understand why there is an issue with the article because it is positive information regarding our district. Mr. Cutler asked the other board members if they knew about the article or were contacted to participate. No other board members were contacted. Mr. Cutler stated that there was a lot of "I" in the article and felt other board members should have been contacted. Mrs. Jenkins stated that she believes it said "We" referring to making positive changes. Mr. Cutler stated that Dr. Burkitt knows more about the day-to-day operations of the district than board members do. Mrs. Jenkins agreed but stated that she is an elected official and as an elected official she will use the newspaper to inform the public and encourage community involvement. Mr. Cutler stated that he doesn't think individual board members should speak for the whole board. Mrs. Jenkins replied that as an elected official she is free to speak to the newspaper if she so chooses. Mr. Cutler asked about a quote attributed to Mrs. Jenkins in the article that stated that the free breakfast now being offered by the district is paid for by a grant. Mrs. Jenkins stated that the writer must have misunderstood what she said about the free breakfast. Mrs. Jenkins stated that she did not record her meeting with the newspaper and cannot speak to why the newspaper stated the free breakfast was provided by a grant. Mr. Wooldridge interjected that he is tired of hearing complaints about the free breakfast. Mr. Cutler stated that his objection is to the article. Mrs. Jenkins stated that she is accountable to the public; and if the paper calls, she will speak to them. Mr. Wooldridge stated that the free breakfast is a good thing for working families. Mr. Cutler stated that he is adamantly opposed to the free breakfast, but the board voted for it and he will support that. Mr. Wooldridge stated that he wanted to make sure that Mr. Cutler's comments were put in the minutes. Mrs. Jenkins feels that the article was positive overall even with the confusion about the free breakfast. Mr. Stockham stated that the article seemed to contain information on items that were accomplished by previous boards. Mrs. Jenkins stated that the article was about the positive changes within our district. Mrs. Jenkins stated that positive press is good for the school district and that when she was elected, she told the paper to contact her quarterly or yearly to keep the community updated on the school district. Mrs. Jenkins stated that she will fulfill what she told the people who elected her and will keep the community informed about our district.

16-196 EXECUTIVE SESSION Mr. Stockham motioned to enter into executive session to consider the employment of a public employee. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

Upon return to open session:

16-197 OPEN SESSION Mr. Stockham motioned to return to open session. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

16-198 ADOPT AGENDA Mr. Stockham motioned to adopt the agenda with additions as presented by the Superintendent. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

16-199 SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVERS Mr. Stockham motioned to employ Clyde Rodgers and Candy Cottrill as substitute bus drivers. Seconded by Mr. Cutler, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

The board discussed the difficulty of finding substitute bus drivers and the costs associated with training potential subs that do not go on to sub for the district. Mrs. Jenkins asked if bus drivers have to reimburse the cost of their training if they do not end up driving for us. Full-time drivers are required to stay in the bus classification for 18 months before bidding to other jobs.

16-200 CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTE Mr. Cutler motioned to employ Andrea Rinehart as a substitute classified employee. Seconded by Mr. Stockham, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

16-201 STUDENT TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS Mr. Stockham motioned to approve student transportation contracts. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

Dr. Burkitt discussed the need to create an aide position. A student is returning to us from a county unit and one student is leaving to go to a county unit. Creating the position will create a job for our aide to move into without requiring a layoff. A position will be abolished at a later date.

16-202 CREATE AIDE POSITION Mr. Smith motioned to create a handicap aide position at PHS. Seconded by Mr. Cutler, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

16-203 EMPLOY BASKETBALL COACH Mr. Stockham motioned to employ Evan Legg as Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

Dr. Burkitt viewed a presentation for a program called Board Works. The program supplements our K-12 curriculum and is updated as statewide curriculum changes. It looks like a quality program. If we purchase by the end of September, we receive a \$16,000 discount. Dr. Burkitt would like to have the building principals and Mr. Roberts review the program before committing to purchase. Mrs. Jenkins asked about the timeline for implementation. Dr. Burkitt would like to start slow with a few teachers in each building that could then train the rest of the teachers.

16-204 PREAPPROVE BOARD WORKS Mr. Smith motioned to preapprove the purchase of the Board Works program if Dr. Burkitt decides to go forward with it. Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

The board discussed senior citizen admission prices to athletic events. The new athletic directors would like direction from the Board because the SVC League by-laws state that senior citizens should be

charged \$3 but some senior citizens have shown expired passes for free admission. There doesn't seem to be a method to how the expired passes were distributed and the athletic directors would like to be consistent. The Board has no desire to alienate the senior citizens of our community.

16-205 SENIOR CITIZEN PRICING Mr. Smith motioned to issue a pass to any senior citizen age 60 and up. Senior citizens with a pass will be charged \$1 admission to athletic events. Seconded by Mr. Cutler, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

The board discussed the possible storage/athletic building at PHS. Dr. Burkitt, Mrs. Williams, Mr. Cutler and Mr. Dettwiller met with an architect and received preliminary sketches of the proposed building. The building is estimated to cost \$650,000 - \$750,000. The Board will require approximately 50% of the cost to be raised before proceeding to the next step. The committee would like to begin fundraising and is requesting board authorization. The old HS needs lighting repairs in order for the teams to practice this winter and trailers for storage of equipment. Mrs. Williams will talk to Leroy about the lighting and attempt to purchase the trailers that are needed.

16-206 AUTHORIZE FUNDRAISING Mrs. Jenkins motioned to authorize the building committee to begin fundraising. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham NO, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA. Mr. Stockham would prefer to replace programs at Jasper Elementary before beginning a building.

Mrs. Jenkins stressed that the committee needs to come up with a unified plan for fundraising prior to approaching businesses to ask for donations.

16-207 RENEW SCOESC CONTRACT Mr. Smith motioned to renew a contract with the South Central Ohio ESC for related services. Seconded by Mrs. Jenkins, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

16-208 RENEW DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT Mr. Cutler motioned to renew a depository agreement with Ohio Valley Bank. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

16-209 BILLS Mr. Stockham motioned to approve payment of the bills for August. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and upon a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Stockham YEA, and Mr. Wooldridge YEA.

16-210 ADJOURN Mr. Stockham motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Smith, and on a roll call vote: Mr. Cutler YEA, Mrs. Jenkins YEA, Mr. Smith YEA, Mr. Wooldridge YEA, and Mr. Stockham YEA.