

COPLEY-FAIRLAWN CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

Copley High School Auditorium

June 27, 2023 5:30 p.m.

Steve Doss, President, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

John Wheadon, Treasurer, called the roll and the following were present:

Jim Borchik

Paul Cevalasco

Steve Doss

Beth Hertz

Paula Lynn

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A. Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Borchik, seconded by Mr. Cevalasco, to adopt the agenda for the June 27, 2023 regular meeting, as presented.

AYES: Borchik, Cevalasco, Lynn, Hertz, Doss

NAYS: None

B. Recognition of the Public

The Copley-Fairlawn City School District Board of Education feels that while public participation in Board meetings is not required, it is a valuable way to receive input from community members. The Board will not enter into debate or discussion on any matter brought forward, instead the information will be forwarded to the proper individual for possible follow up. Those who wish to participate in the public comments section of the agenda must sign in on the sheet available at the entrance to the meeting. Those signed up to address the Board should limit their comments to a maximum of three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used according to Policy BDDH (Also KD) and Ohio Revised Code 121.22 and 3313.20.

Rochelle Fenner, parent, spoke about an incident at Arrowhead Primary School where her daughter was threatened by another student. She's concerned about student safety. She said perhaps hiring additional classroom aides could help resolve some of the issues of student behavior. She also mentioned possibly connecting with the big brother/big sister program.

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C. Treasurer's Business

It was moved by Mrs. Hertz seconded by Mr. Cevalasco to approve the following actions, upon the recommendation of the Treasurer:

1. Minutes

Approve the minutes of the Board of Education's regular meeting held on May 16, 2023.

2. Financial Statement

Approve the financial statement for the month of May, 2023.

3. Temporary Appropriations

Adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 5705.38 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that this Board of Education shall pass an annual appropriation measure not later than July 1st of each fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, an amended official certificate of estimated resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 has been determined and certified by the Budget Commission of Summit County as prescribed by Section 5705.36 of the Ohio Revised Code, therefore be it RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Copley-Fairlawn City School District, that to provide for the current expenses and other expenditures of said district, there be set aside and appropriated for the several purposes for which expenditures are to be made, an amount equal to approximately one-fourth (1/4) of the amount appropriated in the fiscal year 2023, to constitute a temporary appropriation measure for the fiscal year 2024.

4. Appropriation Additions/Reductions/Modifications

Adopt the following appropriation additions/reductions/modifications:

The Board hereby agrees to establish appropriations at the fund level for the 2022-2023 school year and to approve the following appropriation additions, reductions and modifications. Additional modifications may be necessary and are hereby approved. Final expenditures and revenue reports will be presented to the Board of Education in July 2023.

	<u>Additions</u>
001 – General Fund	\$ 500,000.00
002 – Bond Retirement	\$ 493,227.00
004 – Building Fund	\$3,383,482.00
006 – Food Service	\$ 22,627.00
011 – Consumer Services	\$ 7,292.00
014 – Rotary	\$ 4,150.00
018 – Public School Support	\$ 7,546.00
019 – Other Local Grants	\$ 216.00
024 – SRHCC – Self-Insurance	\$ 172,351.00
200 – Student Activities	\$ 29,381.00
401 – Auxiliary Services	\$ 3,080.00
587 – Preschool Grant	\$ 28.00
599 – Misc (School Safety)	\$ 76,868.00

	<u>Reductions</u>
003 – Permanent Improvements	(\$ 279,786.00)
022 – OHSAA – (agency)	(\$ 20,000.00)
300 – Athletics	(\$ 5,719.00)
499 – Other State Grants	(\$ 2,925.00)
507 – ESSER	(\$ 155,179.00)
516 – IDEA-B Special Education	(\$ 1,553.00)
551 – Title III Immigrant	(\$ 2,466.00)

572 – Title I	(\$ 98,292.00)
590 – Title II-A	(\$ 6,725.00)

5. Insurance

The Board authorizes the Superintendent and Treasurer to execute the property, fleet & liability insurance agreement.

6. Approval of Vendor Payments (Then and Now Certificates)

Approve the following item for payment in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 5705.41(D):

Vendor	Description	Amount
Copley Township	School Resource Officers April – May 2023	\$34,743.74
Shannon Pangas	Mileage January – May 2023	\$126.02
Douglas Haas	Cell Phone – September – June 2023	\$300.00

7. Approve Contract for Safety and Security Film

Authorize the Treasurer and Superintendent to enter into a contract with Akron Glass Tinting to apply safety and security film to windows, doors and vestibules at a cost of \$76,868.00. This will be paid from the Safety and Security Grant.

AYES: Hertz, Cevalasco, Lynn, Borchik, Doss

NAYS: None

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D. Superintendent's Considerations and Recommendations

It was moved by Mr. Cevalasco, seconded by Mrs. Lynn, to approve the following actions, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent:

1. Service Agreements

Approve the following service agreements/contracts for the 2023-2024 school year:

- a. Evolve Academy of Medina City School District for services provided
- b. Education Alternatives for services provided

2. In Lieu of Transportation

Approve in-lieu-of transportation payments for the 2022-2023 school year for the following students:

Chapel Hill Christian School
Lily Franks
Jason Franks
Nora Franks

Amanda Sebestyen
Emma Sebestyen

Northside Christian Academy

Campbell Roberts
Jadyn Gyurica
Westin Gyurica
Malachi Gyurica
Aubrynn Csepe

Lippman School

Caden Hull
Xavier Hull
Brooklyn Berkowitz
Gracelyn Berkowitz
Liana Powers
Myla Powers

Medina Christian Academy

Parker Nichols
Jonathan Thomson
Matthew Thomson
Lorena Thomson
Joshua Thomson

Old Trail School

Aydin Rattansi
Arjun Soni
Rebecca Lin
Brent Lin
Katelin Lin

Western Reserve Academy

Anika Soni

Sacred Heart of Jesus

Anthony Hatch
Christopher Hatch

St. Anthony School – Akron

Khalila Holloway
Kalani Holloway

Summit Christian School

Angeleen Yoder

St. Sebastian Parish School

Joan Ereth
Greysen Mickel

Madelyn Sellers

James Sellers
John Sellers
Giuliana Marino
Angela Marino
Vincent Marino
Landon Noggle

St. Vincent – St. Mary

Shane Adamczyk
Connor Bickett
Jacob Bonus
Daniel De Jong
Olivia Dekatch
Victoria Dekatch
Timothy Gallagher
Reese Gallagher
Regan Houser
Alexandra Janosi
Reese Kelly
Rowan Kelly
Remington Kelly
Joseph Malick
Lily Malick
Joseph Reese
Mia Ross
Ciare Slanna
Nicholas Wierzbicki

Julie Billiart School

Ottavio Borruso

Lawrence School

Alessia Vaselaney
Payton Couch
Mariel Pittinger
Sophia Pittinger

Spring Garden Waldorf School

Grace Reich
Charles Reich
Franklin Reich
Lillian Uebel
Niko Tsenekos
Megan Hecky

3. Student Handbooks

Approve Student Handbooks for the 2023-24 school year.

4. Personnel

a. Administrative

1. Award a 2-year administrative contract to the following:

Cutright, Sarah	Dean of Students, Copley High School, effective August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2025
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b. Certified

1. Accept the resignation of the following:

Bruce, Makara	Tutor, effective June 16, 2023
Calderone, Michele	Teacher, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year

2. Employ the following certified staff for the 2023-2024 school year, contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of Education of reports from FBI and BCII and official documentation of any required licensure, course work, degrees and testing appropriate to the position for which the candidate is to be hired:

Kraft, Elaina	Guidance Counselor, Step 1, effective August 21, 2023
Little, Scott	Teacher, Step 3, effective August 21, 2023
Traylor, Blake	Tutor, Part-Time, effective August 21, 2023
Traylor, Bryce	Tutor, Part-Time, effective August 21, 2023

3. Employ the following home instructors for the 2023-2024 school year, contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of Education of reports from FBI and BCII and official documentation of any required licensure, course work, degrees, and testing appropriate to the position for which the candidate is hired:

Seamon, Constance

c. Classified

1. Accept the resignation of the following:

Freggiaro, Rachel	Library/Media Associate, effective June 14, 2023
Heil, Kathleen	Lunchroom Monitor, effective May 25, 2023
Isler, Teresa	Special Needs Assistant, effective May 25, 2023
Prezenkowski, Joseph	Head Mechanic, effective June 8, 2023
Schott, Lillian	Arrowhead Nature Zone, effective May 22, 2023

2. Employ the following for the 2023-2024 school year contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of Education of reports from FBI and BCII and official

documentation of any required licensure, course work, degrees and testing appropriate to the position for which the candidate is to be hired:

Gertz, Elise

Lifeguard, effective June 22, 2023

3. Employ the following custodial summer worker for summer, 2023, as needed and contingent upon subsequent receipt of reports from FBI and BCII:

Lincoln, Miniya

Effective June 20, 2023

Wheeland, Steven

Effective May 30, 2023

Wisniewski, Horatio

Effective June 12, 2023

4. Employ the following student workers for summer, 2023, as needed, at a pay rate of \$10.10 per hour:

Diefendorff, Jacob

Arrowhead Nature Zone, effective May 29, 2023

d. Supplemental

1. Employ the following for the 2023-2024 school year contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of Education of reports from FBI and BCII and official documentation of any required licensure, course work, degrees and testing appropriate to the position for which the candidate is to be hired:

Curriculum Coordinators

Davis, Amy

CHS, Language Arts (9-12)

Stephens, Andrew

CHS, Math (9-12)

Eck, Joshua

CHS, Science (9-12)

Dies, James

CHS, Social Studies (9-12)

Campana, Daniel

District, Guidance (9-12)

Wade, Cristina

District, Music (9-12) (50%)

Cowdery, Holly

District, Music (K-8) (50%)

Ferrise, Mary

District, Special Education (9-12)

Addis, Laura

District, Art (K-12)

Sexton, Jacob

District, Foreign Language (K-12)

Casida, Fiona

District, Library (K-12)

Mirman, Jodi

District, Physical Education (K-12) (50%)

Belles, Amy

District, Physical Education (K-12) (50%)

Harder, Kirby

District, Technology (7-12)

Schmeltzer, Joseph

District, Vocational (7-12)

Rudowsky, Britney

Fort Island, Science

Cunningham, Susan

Fort Island, Language Arts

Coffee, Julie

Fort Island, Math

Buescher, Rebecca

Fort Island, Social Studies

Academics/Clubs (Advisor/Coach)

Addis, Laura

CHS, Art Club

McClenaghan, Rachel

CHS, Animal Science

Casida, Fiona

CHS, Audio-Visual Support Technician

Wade, Cristina

CHS, Band - Assistant

Foster, Michael

CHS, Band - Head

Foster, Michael

CHS, Band - Pep

Morgan, Matthew	CHS, Chess Club
Mirman, Jodi	CHS, Class Advisor – Freshman (50%)
Estright, Heather	CHS, Class Advisor – Freshman (50%)
Beard, Ashley	CHS, Class Advisor - Junior
Carothers, Kimberly	CHS, Class Advisor - Senior
Beard, Justin	CHS, Class Advisor - Sophomore
Eck, Joshua	CHS, Copley Students United
Schulmeister, Anthony	CHS, Cyber-Patriot
Pine, Michael	CHS, Drama Director – Fall & Spring
Pine, Michael	CHS, Drama Set Construction- Fall & Spring
Addis, Laura	CHS, Drama Set Design - Fall and Spring
Albrecht, Matthew	CHS, Color Guard Advisor
Rote, Shannon	CHS, Forensics - Head
Delozier, Rebecca	CHS, Forensics/Speech - Assistant
Wilson, Thomas	CHS, High School Newspaper
Davis, Amy	CHS, Key Club
Albrecht, Matthew	CHS, Marching Band - Assistant Director
Welker, Aaron	CHS, Marching Band - Assistant Director
Kromalic, Matthew	CHS, Model UN
Little, Scott	CHS, Music - Vocal
Little, Scott	CHS, Musical Director-Fall and Spring
Miller, Mary	CHS, National Honor Society
Eck, Joshua	CHS, Quiz Bowl - Head
Korosa, Susan	CHS, Quiz Bowl – Assistant
Stephens, Andrew	CHS, Quiz Bowl – Assistant
Rieger, Jennifer	CHS, Science Olympiad
Talsma, Tara	CHS, Science Olympiad Assistant
Collins, Jason	CHS, Spirit Club (50%)
Soltis, Jennifer	CHS, Spirit Club (50%)
Carothers, Kimberly	CHS, Student Leadership
Soltis, Jennifer	CHS, Yearbook

Athletic Coaches

Johnson, Brandon	CHS, Football, Assistant Coach
Traylor, Blake	CHS, Football, Assistant Coach
Traylor, Bryce	CHS, Football, 9 th Grade Assistant Coach
Elliot, Drue	CHS, Football, Assistant Coach (Volunteer)
Hoffman, Joseph	CHS, Football, Assistant Coach (Volunteer)
Letera, David	CFMS, Football, 8 th Grade Head Coach
Stumperth, Ashley	CHS, Volleyball, Assistant Coach

Gray, Casey	CHS, Soccer, Boys JV Coach
Wilson, Jon	CHS, Soccer, Girls Assistant Coach
Grisez, Ryan	CHS, Soccer, Girls JV Coach
Malpass, Christina	CHS. Cross Country, Assistant Coach (Volunteer)
Basarab, Kathi	CHS, Golf, Girls Assistant Coach
Cestaro, Adam	CHS, Basketball, Boys Head Coach
Kestner, Christopher	CHS, Basketball, Boys Assistant Coach
Vento, Nicholas	CHS, Basketball, Boys JV Coach
Allen, Douglas	CHS, Basketball, 9 th Grade Coach

2. Accept the resignation of the following (prior to beginning the contract for the 2023-2024 school year):

Traylor, Blake	CHS, Football, 9 th Grade Assistant Coach (50%)
Traylor, Bryce	CHS, Football, 9 th Grade Assistant Coach (50%)
Parnell, Matthew	Soccer, Boys Assistant Coach

e. Auxiliary Services

(Copley-Fairlawn City School District is by law the fiscal agent for all auxiliary service funds, at no cost to the District)

Approve contracts for the 2023-2024 school year to employ the following:

Heuer, Katie	Math Enrichment Teacher (full time)
Eldred, Christine	Guidance Counselor (part time)
Pitchford, Allison	Tutor (part time)
Zupsansky, Terese	Tutor (part time)

AYES: Cevalasco, Lynn, Hertz, Borchik, Doss

NAYS: None

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E. Board Actions

It was moved by Mr. Cevalasco, seconded by Mr. Borchik, to approve the following:

1. Memorandum of Understanding

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Education and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local #348 regarding vacation days.

AYES: Cevalasco, Borchik, Lynn, Hertz, Doss

NAYS: None

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F. Negotiated Agreement

It was moved by Mrs. Lynn, seconded by Mrs. Hertz, to approve the negotiated agreement between the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local #348 and the Copley-Fairlawn City School District Board of Education from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 with option for extension July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

AYES: Lynn, Hertz, Cevalasco, Borchik, Doss

NAYS: None

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G. Central Office Schedule of Benefits and Salary Schedule

It was moved by Mr. Cevalasco, seconded by Mrs. Lynn, to approve the revised Central Office schedule of benefits and salary schedule

AYES: Cevalasco, Lynn, Hertz, Borchik, Doss

NAYS: None

H. New Business

Mr. Brian Williams, Assistant Superintendent, informed the Board of Education that preliminary test scores have been released to the district. It appears that the scores have increased from last and are similar to scores achieved prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. He anticipates the State of Ohio will release the final scores in September, 2023.

Mr. Steve Robinson, Business Manager, gave an update on the capital improvement projects being funded by the bond levy. Schematic design has been completed for the high school athletic field house. The next step is design development which will also include preliminary budget amounts. The middle school athletic complex stalled when the water was found under the existing field. The design professional company that was being used had to be replaced since they were non-responsive to many of the school district requests. A new company has been employed and has been working on the middle school project.

A discussion also occurred about a potential trail/sidewalk being installed from the Hametown/Ridgewood roundabout to Cleveland-Massillon Road by Copley

Township. Mr. Steve Robinson, Business Manager, and Mr. John Wheadon, Treasurer, had previously met with township representatives to gain an understanding of their proposed plan. The initial installation would be covered by a grant the township was awarded and other township funds. It is unknown if the grant would be sufficient to complete the proposed project. The school district would be required to maintain the trail/sidewalk once it is installed which could be problematic and costly.

Mr. Brian Poe, congratulated Mrs. Hertz on being named to the Signature Class of Leadership Akron.

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I. Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Cevalasco, seconded by Mr. Borchik, to adjourn the meeting (6:23 p.m.)

AYES: Cevalasco, Borchik, Lynn, Hertz, Doss

NAYS: None

President

Treasurer