

Licking Valley Board of Education
January 8, 2024 - Organizational Meeting
6:00 PM - Licking Valley High School Media Center

Vision Statement: Every adult helping every child learn and grow every day

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I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER (President Pro-tem: Jo Lynn Torbert)

A. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Kollar	Mr. McArtor	Mrs. Stedman	Mrs. Torbert	Mr. Williams	Mr. Fehrman	Mr. Blizzard

B. MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PRAYER, REFLECTION OR MEDITATION

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. OATH OF OFFICE - Jo Lynn Torbert & Drake McArtor

II. ELECT BOARD PRESIDENT FOR 2024

Nominations

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Motion to close nominations

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Vote-Roll Call

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Mrs. Kollar	Mr. McArtor	Mrs. Stedman	Mrs. Torbert	Mr. Williams		

Elected _____
 (Elected President now presides over meeting)

III. ELECT BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT FOR 2024

Nominations

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Motion to close nominations

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

Vote-Roll Call

Mrs. Kollar	Mr. McArtor	Mrs. Stedman	Mrs. Torbert	Mr. Williams		

Elected _____

IV. RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution to Establish Board Meeting Times, Dates, and Location for 2024
 The Board of Education sets the meetings dates for regular Board meetings and scheduled special meetings as needed. Regular board meetings will be scheduled for the second Monday of each month and will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Library unless otherwise noted. The Board reserves the right to adjust the date of regular meetings based on Board member availability (e.g., summer vacation) and any other potential conflict due to the school district

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calendar. This resolution authorizes the Board to notice a change in the date of the Regular meeting with proper notice. The Board will make every effort to hold the meetings at its regular interval, but values attendance by all members and will adapt when needed.

Proposed Meeting Schedule for Regular Meetings

Meeting Date	Meeting Type
January 8, 2024	Organizational/Regular Meeting
February 12, 2024	Regular Meeting
March 11, 2024	Regular Meeting
April 15, 2024	Regular Meeting
May 13, 2024	Regular Meeting
June 10, 2024	Regular Meeting
July 8, 2024	Regular Meeting
August 12, 2024	Regular Meeting
September 9, 2024	Regular Meeting
October 21, 2024	Regular Meeting
November 11, 2024	Regular Meeting
December 9, 2024	Regular Meeting

- B. Establish the rate of pay for board members at \$125.00 per meeting with a payment for 18 local meetings
- C. WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code, Section 3315.15 provides for setting aside from the general fund a sum not to exceed \$2.00 per child or twenty thousand dollars, whichever is greater, as the “service fund” and

WHEREAS, this money shall be used only in paying members of the Board of Education expenses actually incurred in the performances of their duties: and

WHEREAS, the October enrollment for 2023 was 2,225.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Licking Valley Local School District hereby establishes a service fund to be set

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aside as an amount within the general fund. The amount established and appropriated will be \$4,450 for the said service fund.

- D. Resolution to establish a Records Commission composed of the President of the Board of Education, the Treasurer of the Board and Superintendent of Schools. The Commission shall meet at least once a year and establish rules for retention and disposal of records and to review the same.
- E. Appointment of the purchasing agent - Authorization for the Superintendent and Treasurer to serve as the purchasing agents for the school district for the 2024 year.
- F. Employment of temporary personnel - Authorization for the Superintendent to hire employees on a contingency basis pending receipt of their criminal history check and employ temporary personnel as needed for continuity of services for the District. Such employment is to be presented for approval by the Board at the next regular meeting.
- G. Accept resignation of personnel - Authorization for the Superintendent to accept resignations of personnel on behalf of the Board of Education. Such resignation of personnel is to be presented for approval by the Board at the next regular meeting.
- H. Advances on tax settlements - Authorization and adopt the resolution for the Treasurer to secure advances from the Auditor when funds are available and to grant advances and repayments to all funds when needed.
- I. Authorize the purchase of faithful performance bonds at \$100,000.00 per person for the Board President, Superintendent, Accounts Payable, and Treasurer, and blanket bond coverage for all employees and other board members.
- J. Payment of bills - Authorization of the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriation resolution as bills are received and when the merchandise has been received in good condition, services have been completed to satisfaction or based upon other contractual requirements during the current calendar year.
- K. Payment of payroll - Authorize the Treasurer to pay all payroll and the disbursement of checks during 2024.
- L. Applying for federal and state grants - Authorization for the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee to apply for and administer any federal and state

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grants appropriate for the Licking Valley Local School District. Authorize the Treasurer to pay stipends in the amount specified when authorized by grant applications.

- M. Authorize the Treasurer to be the Board’s notification official for the contract situations that involve non-renewal or termination.
- N. Authorize the Treasurer to adjust appropriations within a fund and transfer funds if there is a deficit balance at the end of each month as needed.
- O. Investments of inactive funds - Authorize the Treasurer to invest inactive funds as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code and Board Policy.
- P. Payroll Authorization - Authorization for the Assistant Treasurer, Payroll, to sign payroll checks in the event of the incapacity or absence of the Treasurer.
- Q. Appropriation Modifications - Authorization for the Treasurer to modify fiscal year appropriations as deemed necessary.

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

Discussion:

Mrs. Kollar	Mr. McArtor	Mrs. Stedman	Mrs. Torbert	Mr. Williams	Mr. Fehrman	Mr. Blizzard

V. Committee, Liaison, and Task Force Appointments for 2024

It is recommended the following Board Members serve as OSBA Legislative Liaison, Alternate and Student Achievement Liaison:

Legislative Liaison: _____

Legislative Liaison Alternate: _____

Student Achievement Liaison: _____

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It is recommended the following Board Members serve as representatives on the Licking Valley Finance Task Force (two needed):

1. _____
2. _____

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

Discussion:

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VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

Mrs. Kollar	Mr. McArtor	Mrs. Stedman	Mrs. Torbert	Mr. Williams	Mr. Fehrman	Mr. Blizzard

Time _____

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I. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Kollar	Mr. McArtor	Mrs. Stedman	Mrs. Torbert	Mr. Williams	Mr. Fehrman	Mr. Blizzard

B. RESOLUTIONS/RECOGNITIONS

**School Board Recognition Month
Proclamation**

WHEREAS, our community values a quality education as a vital step along the pathway to success for our children; and

WHEREAS, school board members contribute greatly to this community through their service on the Licking Valley Schools Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, these local decision-makers set the policies and procedures to govern all aspects of school district operation; and

WHEREAS, the school board keeps attention focused on progress toward the school district's goals and maintains a two-way communications loop with all segments of the community; and

WHEREAS, these school board members are serving our community with integrity, honor and a commitment to our children's futures;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Beery, Superintendent, do hereby declare my appreciation to the members of the Licking Valley Schools Board and proclaim the month of January 2024, as

School Board Recognition Month in Licking Valley Schools. I urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the dedication and hard work of local school board

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members and in working with them to mold an education system that meets the needs of both today's and tomorrow's children.

IN OFFICIAL RECOGNITION WHEREOF, I hereby affix my signature this 8th day of January, 2024.

Signed: _____

C. PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA ITEMS - 30 MINUTES ALLOTTED)

D. SPECIAL REPORT

High School - Mr. Adam Arcuri - Out of state baseball trip

High School - Ms. Tricia Phelps - Renaissance - Out of state trip

High School - Renaissance Students - School Board Appreciation

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Meeting Minutes

Recommended Action: Approval of minutes of the December 11, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

B. Amending and Filing Certificates

Recommended Action: Approval of adjusting/filing amended certificates (including the 412 certificates) and appropriation codes to reflect additional incomes, transfers, advances, and expenditures through the end of the month.

- Appropriations and estimated resources

C. FY23 Audit Update

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

Discussion:

Mrs. Kollar	Mr. McArtor	Mrs. Stedman	Mrs. Torbert	Mr. Williams	Mr. Fehrman	Mr. Blizzard

III. SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS

A. PERSONNEL

It is recommended the personnel changes listed below be accepted.

Official employment for all of our new hires is contingent upon the satisfactory completion of a criminal records background check as required by ORC 3319.39, and receipt of appropriate certificate or license from the Ohio Department of Education.

1. Rescinded Contracts

First Name	Last Name	Assignment	Reason	Effective Date
John	Tabler	Substitute Custodian	Accepted a full time position	January 8, 2024

2. Appointments and Assignments 2023-2024

a. Classified

First Name	Last Name	Assignment	Contract	Salary	Reason
John	Tabler	Custodian	1-Year Limited	Step 4	Replacing Jaunita Wood who retired

3. Substitutes 2023-2024

a. Substitute Teacher

Carmin Dupler, Sarah Moberg, Danielle Moore, Michael Reimer

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Discussion:

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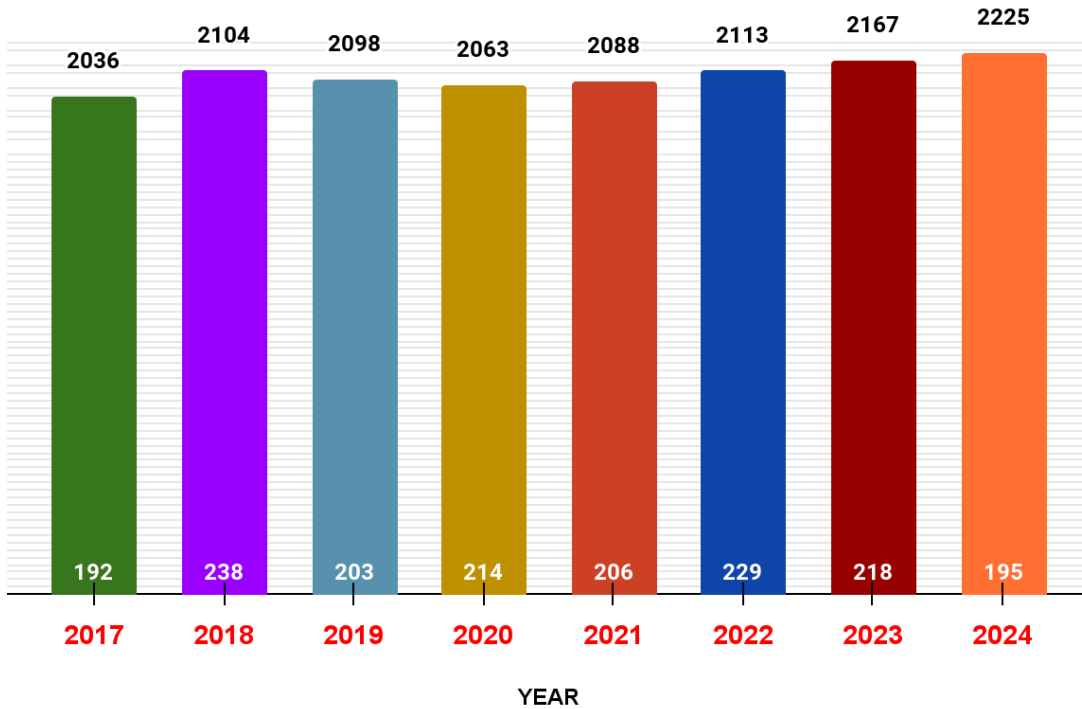
B. STUDENTS/CURRICULUM

It is recommended the Student/Curriculum items be accepted.

1. Enrollment

District Head Counts FY17-FY24 (Includes C-TEC)

NOTE: Incoming open enrollment counts for each year are shown within each bar in the chart.



2. Licking Valley Local School District Incidents of Bullying Report 2023-2024

Board Policy: 4417.01 - Bullying and Other Forms of Aggressive Behavior

Harassment, intimidation, or bullying means:

- A. **Any intentional written, verbal, electronic, or physical act that a student or group of students exhibits toward another particular student(s) more than once and the behavior both causes mental or physical harm to the other student(s) and is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an intimidating, threatening, or abusive educational environment for the other student(s); or violence within a dating relationship.**

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B. "Electronic act" means an act committed through the use of a cellular telephone, computer, pager, personal communication device, or other electronic communication device.
Aggressive behavior is defined as inappropriate conduct that is repeated enough, or serious enough, to negatively impact a student's educational, physical, or emotional well being.

a. Licking Valley High School

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Grade Count</u>
09	0	0	0
10	0	0	0
11	0	0	0
12	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0

b. Licking Valley Middle School

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Grade Count</u>
06	0	0	0
07	2	0	2
08	0	0	0
TOTAL	2	0	2

c. Licking Valley Elementary

<u>Grades K-5</u>	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
TOTAL	0	0

3. Suspension/Expulsions Report

a. Licking Valley High School (0 Vape Related Incidents)

- I. After School Work Program-2 days 2 incident(s)
- II. In School Suspension-2 days 1 incident(s)
- III. In School Suspension-3 days 1 incident(s)
- IV. Out of School Suspension-3 days 4 incident(s)

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- b. Licking Valley Middle School (0 Vape Related Incidents)
 - I. In School Suspension-1 day 6 incident(s)
 - II. In School Suspension-2 days 1 incident(s)
 - III. In School Suspension-3 days 2 incident(s)
 - IV. Out of School Suspension-1 day 1 incident(s)
 - V. Out of School Suspension w/Rec-10 days 2 incident(s)
 - VI. Expulsion-30 days 1 incident(s)
 - VII. Expulsion-80 days 1 incident(s)

- c. Licking Valley Intermediate
 - I. None

- d. Licking Valley Primary
 - I. None

4. Out of State Trip

It is recommended that we approve the out of state trip for Renaissance so they can attend the Jostens Renaissance Global Conference in Orlando, Florida. The conference is July 15-18, 2024.

5. Out of State Trip

It is recommended that we approve the out of state trip for the High School baseball team with their coach, Adam Arcuri. They will be going to the 2024 Warrior Spring Classic in Murfreesboro, Tennessee on March 27-30, 2024.

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

Discussion:

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C. GIFTS/DONATIONS

It is recommended to accept the gifts/donations listed below:

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Donations for December

Donation Recipient	Amount	Received From
HS Panther Pantry	\$520.00	Wayne & Tara Handley \$20, James & Robin Hoekstra \$500
HS Panther Pantry	\$150.00	Phillip Clark in memory of Millie Clark \$50, Vicki Vanover from class of 2003 \$100
HS Panther Pantry		Mary Kay Martin - Donation of deer meat 60 lbs valued at \$150
MS Principals Fund	\$50.00	LV Lions Club Robotics Donation
Total	\$720.00	

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

Discussion:

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D. BUSINESS

It is recommended we accept the Business items listed.

1. Surplus

School Bus

It is recommended we approve the surplus of one school bus for scrap price. Unit #19-2014 International School Bus 4DRB6AAN6EB349104. The bus will be stripped of all usable parts before it is taken to the scrap yard.

Other Items

Description	Reason for Disposal
Epson PowerLite 95 - L. Conley HS Room 207	Broke
Epson PowerLite 93 - W. Miller HS room 218	Broke
Epson PowerLite 108 - K. Dennis HS room 205	Broke

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2. 2023-2024 School Calendar Adjustment

It is recommended that the 2023-2024 school calendar be adjusted to make April 8, 2024 a non-instructional day for students and staff due to the solar eclipse. This recommendation is made in conjunction with other county school districts and under the advisement of the office of Licking County Emergency Management.

3. Ohio DAS Cooperative Purchasing Program

It is recommended we continue the membership with Ohio DAS Cooperative Purchasing Program effective 3/1/2024 - 2/28/2025.

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

Discussion:

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IV. BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS/RECOMMENDATION

A. RESOLUTION PERMITTING THE THIRD GRADE ASSESSMENTS OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS AND MATHEMATICS TO BE ADMINISTERED BY PAPER AND PENCIL

Whereas the Ohio mandated Third Grade English Language Arts Assessment is a high-stakes test, in that students who do not achieve a proficient score as set by the Ohio Board of Education, and who do not achieve an equivalent score on an approved vendor assessment (for Licking Valley this is the MAP Assessment) must be retained in third grade for reading instruction; and

Whereas state test data indicates that students, in general, perform better on the state mandated assessments when students take them in paper-pencil format as compared to when students take them via computer; and

Whereas our students have experienced numerous and significant testing abnormalities when participating in the state's online testing system; and

Whereas these testing abnormalities are not fixable during the assessment period, and are rarely if ever addressed afterwards in a way that allows the

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student to have a fair opportunity to truly demonstrate what they know and are able to do; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Licking Valley Local Board of Education does hereby approve the administration of Third Grade Assessments of English Language Arts and Mathematics to be Administered in paper and pencil format.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the treasurer be directed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of the board of education.

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

Discussion:

Mrs. Kollar	Mr. McArtor	Mrs. Stedman	Mrs. Torbert	Mr. Williams	Mr. Fehrman	Mr. Blizzard

- V. **STUDENT BOARD MEMBER UPDATE**
- VI. **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT UPDATE**
- VII. **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**
- VIII. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (NON AGENDA ITEMS - 30 MINUTES ALLOTTED)
- IX. **BOARD DISCUSSION**
- X. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board will adjourn to executive session to consider matters required to be kept confidential by Federal law or regulations or State statutes.

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

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Time out: _____ Time back: _____

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____

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Time _____