

LICKING VALLEY LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING, MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.  
LICKING VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER, 100 HAINSVIEW DR., NEWARK, OHIO

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

*"This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda items titled Public Comment - Agenda Items Only and Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items Only." Licking Valley Board Policy 0165.1 - REGULAR MEETINGS*

## **ROLL CALL**

The Licking Valley Board of Education met in Regular Session on March 13, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Licking Valley High School Media Center. The following members responded to roll call: Mrs. Kim Christian, Mrs. Carolyn Kollar, Mrs. Julie Stedman, Mrs. Jo Lynn Torbert and Mr. Casey Williams. Mr. Scott Beery, Superintendent, Mr. Andrew Douglass, Treasurer, Mr. Evan Fee and Mr. Matthew Fehrman, Student Representatives were in attendance as well.

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PRAYER, REFLECTION OR MEDITATION**

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT** (Agenda Items)

None

## **SPECIAL REPORT**

### **Intermediate – STEM Competition – Mrs. Carissa Smith & Mrs. Stacey Unklesbay**

Mrs. Smith provided details about the STEM program and the recent projects and competition. Mrs. Unklesbay described the awards that were received by students. The students explained their projects.

### **High School – Class Updates – Mr. Shane Hancock & Mr. John Barrett**

Mr. Hancock explained some of the recent projects from Chemistry courses.

### **High School – Proposed Course Offerings – Mrs. Whitney Malone**

Mrs. Malone described some of the new course offerings that she would like to offer.

Mr. Williams asked how we seek parental review of courses that are being offered.

Mrs. Malone said we would get feedback from the Parent Advisory Group to understand what things parents and students want. Mrs. Malone said that the course offerings would be discussed in the next meeting Parent Advisory Group Meeting. Mr. Williams asked if it would be better to have that meeting before bringing it to the Board. Mrs. Malone said absolutely.

Mrs. Stedman asked if they received a copy of the Animal Science course information. Mrs.

Malone said no because it is not a new course but said she can provide the information to Mrs. Stedman.

Mrs. Stedman asked what the course material would be for the courses. Mrs. Malone said that most of our projects are created by the teachers and that we usually don't use any set textbook, but use a lot of online resources. Mrs. Stedman said the idea of the Curriculum Hub is awesome, but daunting for teachers to keep it up to date, especially when they are building their curriculum as the course goes along and with online resources.

Mrs. Stedman noted the increase in social media references and use in the classroom. She asked if Mr. Arcuri could explain how Twitter is used in a classroom. Mrs. Malone explained how she has used Twitter for educational purposes.

### **High School – New Scholarship – Mrs. Deana Bennett, Mrs. Gayle Gambs, Ms. Amanda Wells & Ms. Mel Roberts**

Ms. Wells presented an award opportunity and described how and why the award was created. The Scott Beery Humanitarian Award is the name of the award and the hope is that this award would be an annual award.

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Mrs. Christian said this is a great idea and that it is appreciated.

23-28                    **TREASURER’S RECOMMENDATIONS**                    28

Mr. Williams moved and Mrs. Torbert seconded the motion to approve the following.

**Minutes of the Regular Meetings**

It is recommended to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 Regular Board Meeting and the March 7, 2023 Special Board Meeting-Work Session.

**Amending and Filing Certificates**

It is recommended to approve the adjusting/filing amended certificates (including the 412 certificates) and appropriation codes to reflect additional incomes, advances, transfers, and expenditures through the end of the month.

**FY22 Audit Update**

*DISCUSSION:*  
None

Ayes: Mr. Williams, Mrs. Torbert, Mrs. Christian, Mrs. Kollar, Mrs. Stedman, Mr. Fee, Mr. Fehrman  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.

23-29                    **TREASURER’S RECOMMENDATIONS**                    29

Mrs. Kollar moved and Mrs. Stedman seconded the motion to table the investment of inactive funds for additional research and information until the April Board meeting.

**Investments of Inactive Funds – Redtree Investment Group**

Table the decision until the April Board Meeting.

*DISCUSSION:*  
Mrs. Kollar asked about the FDIC limits.  
Mr. Williams discussed some of the issues that happened with some of the banks and that it can happen with any bank.  
Mr. Williams asked Mr. Douglass if we were to utilize Redtree, if all operating funds would be at Redtree. Mr. Douglass said no.  
Mr. Williams asked if moving funds to Redtree would diversify our risk. Mr. Douglass said yes.  
Mrs. Stedman asked Mr. Douglass if he could share the bank communication. Mr. Douglass said yes.

Ayes: Mrs. Kollar, Mrs. Stedman, Mrs. Christian, Mrs. Torbert, Mr. Williams, Mr. Fee, Mr. Fehrman  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.

23-30                    **SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS**                    30

Mrs. Torbert moved and Mr. Williams seconded the motion to approve the following.

**PERSONNEL**

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.

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It is recommended to accept the following:

**Retirements**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jami Rockey	Elementary Teacher	1/1/24

**Appointments and Assignments 2022-2023**

**Supplemental**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Cody Ketter	Asst MS Boys Track	2022-23	Cat 4-0

**Substitutes 2022-2023**

**Substitute Teacher**

Ashley Bevard (retro-active to 2-23-23), Jules Noonan, Heath Moore, Debbie Wenzel, Michael Skinner, Lisa Myers, Beth Anglin

**Substitute Aide**

Beth Anglin

**Substitute Bus Driver (up to 28 hours per week)**

Cameron Bates (retro-active to 2-22-23)

*DISCUSSION:*

*Mr. Williams asked if it was odd for a teacher to retire mid-year. Mr. Beery said yes and it is uncommon.*

*Mr. Beery mentioned that Mrs. Grosscup is retiring and she sent a letter today and it will be added to the April agenda for approval. Mrs. Stedman said Mrs. Rockey's resignation letter included good memories of her many years at LV.*

Ayes: Mrs. Torbert, Mr. Williams, Mrs. Christian, Mrs. Kollar, Mrs. Stedman, Mr. Fee, Mr. Fehrman

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

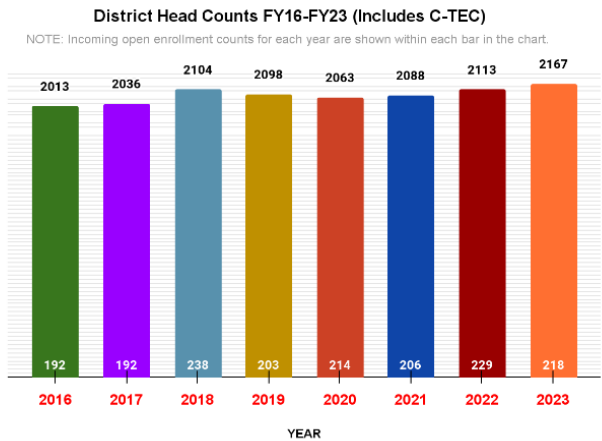
**23-31                      SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS**

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Mrs. Kollar moved and Mrs. Stedman seconded the motion to approve the following:

**STUDENTS/CURRICULUM**

**Enrollment**



**Licking Valley Local School District Incidents of Bullying Report 2022-2023**  
**Board Policy: 4417.01 - Bullying and Other Forms of Aggressive Behavior**

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Harassment, intimidation, or bullying means:

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.

"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.

Licking Valley High School

Grade	Males	Females	Grade Count
09	0	0	0
10	0	1	1
11	0	0	0
12	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	1	1

Licking Valley Middle School

Grade	Males	Females	Grade Count
06	2	0	2
07	0	0	0
08	1	0	1
TOTAL	3	0	3

Licking Valley Elementary

Grades K-5	Males	Females
TOTAL	0	0

**Suspension/Expulsions Report**

LVHS

After School Work Program-2 days	3 incident(s)
After School Work Program-3 days	2 incident(s)
Expulsion-25 days	1 incident(s)
Out of School Suspension w/rec-10 days	2 incident(s)
Out of School Suspension-3 days	2 incident(s)
Saturday School-1 day	4 incident(s)
Saturday School-3 days	1 incident(s)

LVMS

Expulsion-16 days	2 incident(s)
In School Suspension-1 day	11 incident(s)
In School Suspension-2 days	2 incident(s)
In School Suspension-3 days	1 incident(s)
Out of School Suspension-1 day	2 incident(s)
Out of School Suspension-2 days	1 incident(s)
Out of School Suspension-3 days	4 incident(s)

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Out of School Suspension-4 days	1 incident(s)
Out of School Suspension-5 days	3 incident(s)
Out of School Suspension-10 days	2 incident(s)
Out of School Suspension w/rec-10 days	3 incident(s)

LVIS

In School Suspension-1 day	2 incident(s)
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LVPS

None

**FCCLA Overnight Trip**

It is recommended to approve the LVHS FCCLA trip to the State Leadership Conference in Columbus, Ohio on April 27 and April 28, 2023 with Advisor, Cindy Kelly.

**High School Course Offerings 2023-2024**

It is recommended to approve the following new High school course offerings for 2023-2024:

Writing in the Real World  
Chemistry of Cooking  
Child Development II  
Sports Management  
Aspiring Leaders  
Agricultural Mechanics

It is also recommended to approve the following course name changes for 2023-2024:

Course 753 - Mechanical Principles FKA AG Mechanics (Level 1)  
Course 759 - Animal Science FKA Natural Resources

*DISCUSSION:*

*Mrs. Kollar asked if we normally do the FCCLA trip. Mr. Beery said this was the first time. Mrs. Stedman asked if we are going to approve the High School Course Offerings before we get more information. Mrs. Stedman interrupted the vote to ask if we all are noting that we are voting to approve the course offerings before we get more curriculum information. Mrs. Christian said yes.*

Ayes: Mrs. Kollar, Mrs. Stedman, Mrs. Christian, Mrs. Torbert, Mr. Williams, Mr. Fee, Mr. Fehrman  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.

**23-32                      SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS                      32**

Mrs. Stedman moved and Mrs. Kollar seconded the motion to approve the following.

**Beverage Provider**

It is recommended to approve the exclusive beverage agreement provided in the backup material with G&J Pepsi-Cola Bottlers, Inc.

*DISCUSSION:*

*Mr. Williams asked why we have an exclusive agreement. Mr. Beery explained why we have had exclusive contracts with a beverage provider and provided some history of previous agreements. Mr. Williams asked if Coke and Faygo offer agreements. Mr. Beery explained that other companies may offer agreements and what would have to happen if we were to end our current agreement.*

Ayes: Mrs. Stedman, Mrs. Kollar, Mrs. Christian, Mrs. Torbert, Mr. Williams, Mr. Fee, Mr. Fehrman  
Nays: None

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Motion Carried.

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**SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS**

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Mrs. Torbert moved and Mrs. Stedman seconded the motion to approve the following.

**Gifts & Donations**

It is recommended to approve the gifts & donations listed below:

**Monetary Gifts**

Donation Recipient	Amount	Received From
LVHS Panther Pantry	\$300.00	James & Robin Hoekstra
Youth to Youth	\$700.00	LV Lions Club \$200 & Anders \$500
LVHS Panther Pantry	\$50.00	Phillip Clark
Drama Club	\$418.00	Adkins, Anders, Little Donations
Youth to Youth	\$75.00	Houston Plumbing
MS Principals Fund	\$300.00	Ellis Sports Bar & Grill
MS Principals Fund	\$245.00	Energy Cooperation
MS Leo Club	\$219.50	Bake sale donation for Vertical 196
MS Principals Fund	\$100.00	Thomas and Mary Bruah
LVES Drama Club	\$340.00	Erin Patterson \$20.00, Kirk Brown \$20.00, \$300.00 Cash Anonymous
LVHS Band	\$245.00	Nathan & Yew Lin Foltz \$100.00, \$145.00 Cash Anonymous
LVMS Band	\$100.00	Stephen and Sara Harley
Total	\$3,092.50	

*DISCUSSION:*  
*Mrs. Stedman said thank you for the generosity.*  
*Mr. Williams said it is remarkable and thank you.*

Ayes: Mrs. Torbert, Mrs. Stedman, Mrs. Christian, Mrs. Kollar, Mr. Williams, Mr. Fee, Mr. Fehrman  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.

**STUDENT BOARD MEMBER UPDATE**

Mr. Fee provided an update on recent student activities and performance and upcoming events. Mr. Fee described some of the activities around Youth to Youth and the number of attendees. Mr. Fehrman described upcoming fundraisers and upcoming sporting events. Mr. Beery described how amazing Youth to Youth was and our great students and staff. Mr. Beery also described some of Mr. Fehrman’s ideas that he had for the District related to vaping. Mr. Beery also noted that the district plans to change the consequence for vaping to include in school suspension.

**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT UPDATE**

Mrs. Stedman provided a student achievement update

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**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Mrs. Kollar provided a legislative update.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** (Non-agenda items)

Mr. Garrett Smith asked the Board how they would like to receive information that he would like to share. Mr. Beery said the information can be sent to him and he would disperse it to the Board members.

Mr. Gordon Postle asked if all the kids going to Gettysburg are going to be able to pay their way for Gettysburg. Mr. Beery said we have never kept a student from going on the trip that didn't have the funds to pay.

**BOARD DISCUSSION**

Mrs. Christian asked for a motion to approve the Scott Beery Humanitarian Award. Mr. Williams mentioned that we are responsible with our funds and said we have about 260 days of cash.

**23-34                    BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS                    34**

Mrs. Stedman moved and Mr. Williams seconded the motion to approve the following.

It is recommended we approve the Scott Beery Humanitarian Award as presented in the Special Report by Ms. Amanda Wells.

*DISCUSSION:*  
*None*

Ayes: Mrs. Stedman, Mr. Williams, Mrs. Christian, Mrs. Kollar, Mrs. Torbert, Mr. Fee, Mr. Fehrman  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.

**23-35                    ADJOURNMENT                    35**

Mrs. Torbert moved and Mrs. Kollar seconded the motion to adjourn.  
Mrs. Christian closed the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Ayes: Mrs. Torbert, Mrs. Kollar, Mrs. Christian, Mrs. Stedman, Mr. Williams, Mr. Fee, Mr. Fehrman  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.

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Kim Christian, President

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Andrew Douglass, Treasurer