

LICKING VALLEY LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2022

**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 August 8, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. The following members responded to roll call: Mrs. Carolyn Kollar, Mrs. Julie Stedman, Mrs. Jo Lynn Torbert, Mr. Casey Williams and Mrs. Kim Christian. Mr. Scott Beery, Superintendent, Mr. Andrew Douglass, Treasurer and Mr. Evan Fee, Student Representative were in attendance as well.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT** (Agenda Items)

None

**22-102      TREASURER’S RECOMMENDATIONS      102**

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

**Minutes of the Regular Meetings**

It is recommended to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

**Amended 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.

**SC Strategic Solutions**

It is recommended to approve the SC Strategic Solutions Agreement effective August 2022 – August 2025.

**Accounts and Sponsors**

It is recommended to approve the following accounts and sponsors for the 2022-2023 school year:

**200 Funds**

CLASS OF 2023-JR	Whitney Malone
MS STUDENT COUNCIL	Nate Whisner

**DISCUSSION:**

- *Mr. Williams - asked about the percentage increase in the proposed agreement and requested to remove the annual percentage increase or to make it an annual agreement*
- *Mr. Douglass said he was working with SCSS to change Section 2 of the agreement and agreed to follow up with SCSS about Mr. Williams’ request for the agreement.*

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- *Mr. Douglass explained the functionality of the system and how the District plans to use the service.*
- *Mrs. Torbert asked who would lead the project and if it was the right time for this type of implementation. Mr. Douglass responded and said he will lead the implementation and is confident in the team's ability to handle the additional work associated with the implementation. Mr. Douglass also said that this is a project that he would like to implement now or in the future, but would prefer to implement this now to receive the benefits that the software and service offers.*
- *Mrs. Stedman asked who would use the system the most and what service we have used in the past. Mr. Douglass said that we have not had a similar service in the past and that the features would have the most impact for the Accounts Payable department, but would impact responsibilities of everyone on the team.*
- *Mrs. Kollar and Mrs. Stedman asked what the cost savings of the software would be for the District. Mr. Douglass said that there would be some cost savings to the District but that it was difficult to put a number to the time savings and savings on paper.*
- *Mrs. Christian asked if they would provide sufficient training for the software. Mr. Douglass said he felt sufficient training would be provided and SCSS had offered to have someone on site for training.*

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

22-103

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

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Mr. Williams moved and Mrs. Kollar 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.

It is recommended to accept the following:

**Rescinded Contracts 2022-2022**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Mackenzie Young	Var Asst VB	8/8/22

**Appointments and Assignments 2022-2023**

**Classified**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Tim Giles	Bus Driver	1-yr Ltd	Step 0
Jake Crawmer	Bus Driver	1-yr Ltd	Step 0
Pat Mong	Bus Driver	1-yr Ltd	Step 6
Mary Orr	Bus Driver	1-yr Ltd	Step 3
Sherry Krieder	Bus Driver	1-yr Ltd	Step 7
Kim Moore	Bus Driver	2-yr Ltd	Step 4
Deena Selby	Bus Driver	2-yr Ltd	Step 1

**Supplemental**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Mackenzie Young	V Asst Volleyball	2022-2023	Cat 3-2

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**Substitutes 2022-2023**

**Substitute Aide**

Dana Barsotti, Ashley Bevard, Tessa Blizzard, Rita Burgess, Kelly Dillon, DeAnn Dorogi, Joyce Every, Pamela Fisher, Patty Hill, Annie Houston, Tasha Lohr, Melissa Long, Amy Martin, Jessica Matthews, Vickie Mealick, Tessa Nethers, Peg O’Reilly, Beth Richards, Lucy Roback, Michelle Shepler, Allison Shrock, Sue Slevin, Julie Spellman, Violet Tucker, Amberlyn Walker, Brianna Ware, Anne Watson, Emily Wear, Taylor Williams, Miranda Wilson

**Substitute Aide/Tutor**

Jeff Camp

**Substitute Bus Aide**

Darla Lacy, Emily Stolte, Lisa Giles

**Substitute Bus Drivers**

Mike Bachman, Christopher Chrysler

**Substitute Teacher**

Hollie Kaufman, Denise Mullett, Jamie Patterson, Melanie Stump, Susan Cromwell, Jayme Diener, Ray Fox, Margaret Richards, Eric Rittberger, John Scranage, Robert Smith, Alexis Ulrich, Anna Busic

**Discretionary Rate**

It is recommended to approve the discretionary rate for the 2022-2023 school year for Mike Hall & Linda Walker.

**Personal Service Contracts**

It is recommended to approve Melissa Davidson for extended school tutoring at a rate of \$25 per hour for June, July and August 2022.

*DISCUSSION:*

- *Mrs. Torbert asked if this would be using ESSER funds to pay for the Personal Service Contract. Mr. Douglass responded that this personal service contract is not paid with ESSER funds*

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**22-104      SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS**

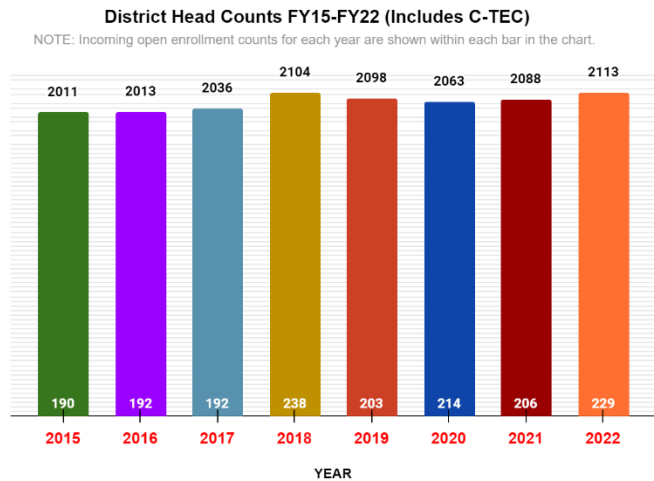
**104**

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

**STUDENTS/CURRICULUM**

**Enrollment**

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**2022-2023 Student Handbooks**

It is recommended to accept the 2022-2023 High School Student Handbooks.

**New High School Course Offerings**

It is recommended to accept the new High School course offerings: Path to Success, Probability and Statistics, Readers Unite, Project Chem & Small Engines.

**Bus Routes**

It is recommended to accept the 2022-2023 bus routes as recommended by Mickie Archer, Transportation Coordinator.

**Heartland Payment Systems**

It is recommended to approve the Annual Support/Subscription Renewal for 2022-2023 Nutrikids account.

**DISCUSSION:**

- *Mr. Williams mentioned that the enrollment is the highest that it has been over the 8-year period reflected.*
- *Mr. Williams asked if a couple of the PBL courses are evaluating data and performance of the courses. Mrs. Malone explained that the District is still working on the data components that will be utilized to measure PBL. Mrs. Malone explained some data components, including State mandated, high quality student data assessments, which teachers will develop, have approved and then directly impact class instruction based on the performance of students on their two HQSD pieces. Every teacher must have 2 and 1 of the 2 pieces will be a PBL assessment. Mr. Williams asked for a summary from Mr. Beery to understand how we are going to measure PBL.*
- *Mrs. Stedman asked Mrs. Malone about the components she mentioned to measure PBL. Mrs. Malone explained the data components that are available or not available and how it will be measured if high quality student data is not available. Mrs. Malone explained how data from the high quality assessments can be used to change and benefit the student education. In addition to HQSD, we will be looking at, analyzing and making decisions based on data collected from class grades, GPAs, student, teacher and parent surveys, AP scores, ACT scores and state mandated value added assessments.*
- *Mrs. Stedman asked about capacity planning and when we should have this conversation. Mr. Beery discussed his attendance in the water meeting and where we have room to grow in the district. Mr. Beery said he thinks we may have to start to have the conversations soon but it will depend on when the water becomes available. Mrs. Stedman asked about the dates that were provided for the water project. Mr. Beery said that they didn't talk about specific dates. President Christian said it could be around 2 years. Mrs. Torbert mentioned how the District would need to evaluate based on the plan that is selected. Mr. Beery discussed the plan options for the water project.*

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- *President Christian asked where the small engines course would take place. Mr. Beery said it would take place in the agricultural room and that we are working on converting the previous room to be able to be used for more class activities.*
- *Mrs. Stedman said the course offering is exciting and cool, especially the chemistry and statistics course.*

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

22-105

**SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS**

105

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

**LACA Contract**

It is recommended to approve the LACA Service Level Agreement effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

**Extra duty Agreement with Licking County Sheriff’s Office**

It is recommended to approve the Extra Duty Agreement between Licking Valley Schools and the Licking County Sheriff’s Office.

**META Solutions School Bus & 9-Passenger Van Purchasing**

It is recommended to approve META Solutions as our agent to purchase a school bus and 9-passenger van if needed.

**DISCUSSION:**

- *President Christian raised a concern with the supply chain for buses and how long it is taking to purchase buses and wondered the District will have difficulty getting the buses in the future when we try to order, if we don’t order now.*

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**Discussion**

**LifeWise Academy**

- Mr. Beery discussed his appreciation for the way that conversations have been had about this topic. Mr. Beery said he more for it than against it but he prefers to have all the students here, regardless of where they are going outside of the district. Mr. Beery discussed the restrictions for moving forward with this and the narrow window to make it happen. Mr. Beery said he is not opposed to moving forward. President Christian asked Mr. Beery what is wanted from the Board. Mr. Beery said he would like for the Board to determine if we would like to move forward with this and that it could be piloted at the K-2 level. Mr. Beery explained that students would need to miss specials and would be responsible for their work. The Lifewise, Lindsey Wolfe, representative said she would like to make LifeWise a special. President Christian asked for a brief summary of the LifeWise program. LifeWise Academy explained that they provide Bible Based study. Lindsey explained how they are looking at how this could be implemented at Licking Valley and that it is privately funded and have local site that is ready to go. The program is funded through the local churches and that the local community would help to fund the program. Lindsey explained the benefits of the program in the classroom and how it can help the school understand some of the needs in the District. Lindsey said Lakewood, Granville, Tri-Valley and others are planning to launch a LifeWise program shared feedback that has been received regarding the program. Lindsey said the program teaches character traits and not doctrine. LifeWise expressed their gratitude for listening about the program. If approval happens a Director would be hired, along with a

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Board, and would hire a licensed teacher to teach the classes. LifeWise explained how the special could potentially work for the District. LifeWise explained that they would try to use what is used by the District for various policies. LifeWise thinks that there will be about 30 minutes of instructional time with the travel included. Everyone at LifeWise is background checked and has policies in place. Mr. Beery explained that any religious organization could also take advantage of this program structure. LifeWise asked if a policy change was possible in the future and President Christian responded yes. Mrs. Stedman said we would want to ensure our policies are robust for the program. This would be offered LifeWise once a week and those that didn't go to LifeWise would go to the library for special. President Christian expressed her concern around discipline of our students with LifeWise and Mr. Beery said that discipline would have to happen with LifeWise because the District would have no way to handle the discipline off site. Mr. Beery explained that if there is a discipline issue at LifeWise, they would be responsible for communicating with the parents. Mr. Beery discussed how discipline would need to be handled in a couple scenarios. LifeWise would be responsible for providing transportation. Mr. Beery said that no funds or resources from the school can be used. Mrs. Torbert asked LifeWise has been in touch with both principals at the elementary school? If a special was implemented for LifeWise the special would occur every 9 days rather than every 8 days. Mr. Beery said the conversation with LifeWise should also be had with Mr. Carpenter at the primary school. Mrs. Torbert asked if background checks would be performed. Mr. Fee asked if the kids get a say in if they will attend the program. Lindsey and Mr. Beery said it would be the parents' decision.

- President Christian asked the Board if they would like Mr. Beery to continue to investigate this program. Mrs. Stedman said she would like for Mr. Beery to investigate further and see what other districts are doing for this program. Mr. Beery said questions about the program can be directed to him.

#### **Window Project Update**

- Mr. Beery provided an update on the windows project and the plan is to have the advertisement ready this week.

#### **LCHD Covid Protocols**

- Mr. Beery provided an update on the Covid protocols and that if there was a positive test that students or staff would have to stay home for 5 days and return after 5 days if they don't have a fever.
- Mr. Williams asked if a test has to be provided through a provider or if a home test can be used. Mr. Beery said that home test could be used and reported through the portal.

### **STUDENT BOARD MEMBER UPDATE**

- School starts August 17th and sports activities are coming up soon.
- Mrs. Stedman asked about the Hartford Fair Queen and Mr. Fee said that the queen is Cassie Orr, Licking Valley High School senior.
- Mrs. Stedman asked about the renaissance presentation to the Board and Mr. Beery said it would be scheduled for October.

### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT UPDATE**

None

### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

- Mrs. Kollar provided information for HB705, HR8450, SB356, and noted that the Chips Act has passed.

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

- Mr. Drake McArtor said the Harford fair is going on right now. Mr. McArtor discussed 4-H program and the importance of attending the fair and allowing kids to miss practice or other events without disciplinary action for attending the fair. President Christian said she also shared his same thoughts.

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- Mrs. Lucinda Wills also expressed the need for leniency for activities for students that are participating in fair activities.
- Mr. Dave Hoover expressed his excitement about the LifeWise program and that it fits with the heart of Licking Valley. Mr. Hoover said he believes that parents in the district will make good decisions related to LifeWise. Mr. Hoover said he thinks it's a cool thing.
- Mr. Gordon Postle said that Licking Valley should not punish students for going to the fair. He asked who is leading the water project. President Christian said the discussions for the water project have been going on for a long time and there is a big drive due to water quality. Mr. Postle asked if the Ohio Facilities Commission still exists and if the middle school and elementary schools are full. Mr. Beery said that the buildings are pretty full. Mr. Postle said he is happy about the engine building program. Mr. Postle asked about the ORC section tied to LifeWise. The Board provided Mr. Postle with the ORC section requested. Mr. Postle asked which Bible would be used for LifeWise Academy.

## **BOARD DISCUSSION**

- Mrs. Stedman asked about the finance committee. Mr. Douglass said he plans to have the finance committee and is planning to have the first meeting in the fall
- Mrs. Kollar asked about the OSBA meeting and if LV has sent anyone to the delegate assembly in the past. Mrs. Torbert and President Christian said that we have sent a delegate to this in the past. Mrs. Torbert explained what we have done in the past for the OSBA meeting. Mr. Beery said we can put something on the Board agenda in September and the Board needs to have a delegate selected for that meeting.
- Mr. Williams provided public recognition for all of the work over the past couple of months.
  - Ashley Knowlton
  - Andrew Douglass
  - Whitney Malone
  - Mike Kelley
  - Lissa Bennett
  - Nate Whisner
  - Shelly Wood

**22-106 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Mr. Williams moved and Mrs. Torbert seconded the motion to adjourn to Executive Session to consider matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Adjourned to Executive Session: 7:48 pm

Returned from Executive Session: 8:18 pm

**22-107                    ADJOURNMENT**

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Mrs. Torbert moved and Mrs. Stedman seconded the motion to adjourn.

Mrs. Christian closed the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

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

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Fee

Motion Carried.

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Kim Christian, President

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Andrew Douglass, Treasurer