**Tuesday, January 16, 2018**

**Regular Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

**Reynoldsburg City Hall Council Chambers**

**1. Opening Items**

The Reynoldsburg City School District Board of Education met in regular session on January 16, 2018. The meeting was held at City Hall Council Chambers

**1.01 Call to Order (p) REF: 1.16.18**

Board President Joe Begeny called the meeting to order.

**1.02 Roll Call (p) REF: 1.16.18**

The following Board members were present: Robert Barga, Joe Begeny, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman

**1.03 Pledge of Allegiance (p) REF: 1.16.18**

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

**Motion to approve the December 19, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes.**

Motion by Neal Whitman, second by Debbie Dunlap

Final Resolution: Motion carries.

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**2.01 Approval of the December 19, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes (a) REF: 1.16.18**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Treasurer's recommendation, to approve the December 19, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

**Motion to approve the January 16, 2018 Regular Meeting Agenda as amended (5.05 Testing Resolution was removed).**

Motion by Debbie Dunlap, second by Jeni Quesenberry

Final Resolution: Motion carries.

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**3.01 Approval of the January 16, 2018 Board of Education Meeting Agenda (a) REF: 1.16.18**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to approve the January 16, 2018 Board Meeting Agenda as amended (Item 5.05 Testing Resolution was removed).

**4. Communications**

**4.01 AdamH Mural Presentation (p) REF: 1.16.18**

The ADAMH Mural presentation was given by Kevin Dixon, Ph.D., ADAMH Vice President of Community Collaboration & Engagement and Designer, Eliza Ho.

**5. Items from the Board**

**5.01 Board Members spoke on the following topics. REF: 1.16.18**

Neal Whitman:

* Talked about anti-bullying meeting at Waggoner Road Junior High School on January 17, 2018
* STEM Night at Summit Elementary School will be held on January 18, 2018
* The Board Retreat is from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on January 27, 2018

Jeni Quesenberry:

* Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting
* Asked that everyone keep an injured student in their thoughts

Robert Barga:

* Was quite impressed when he attended a meeting to launch RoboticsTeam 4085
* Would like to be invited to school events
* Thanked Mrs. Tornero and Mr. Truex for their service to the District

Debbie Dunlap:

* Enjoyed attending Lego League
* Congratulated Jeni Quesenberry and Robert Barga on their election to the Board. She is looking forward to the next two years
* Commended Superintendent Melvin Brown on his communication of school closings
* Thanked staff, parents and students for their patience during winter weather issues
* Asked for patience during the HVAC project. Dynamix is working very hard to complete the job.

Joe Begeny:

* Boys and girls basketball teams have done well this year
* The swim teams are performing well
* Thoughts and prayers to the student that was injured
* The orchestra attended Phantom of the Opera over the weekend

**Motion to approve the resolution affirming order of student expulsion.**

Motion by Neal Whitman, second by Debbie Dunlap

Final Resolution: Motion carries.

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**5.02 Approval of Resolution Affirming Order of Student Expulsion (a) REF: 1.16.18**

*WHEREAS, on December 19th, 2017, the Board conducted a hearing in executive session to consider the expulsion appeal regarding a student who attends Baldwin Road Middle STEM, and*

*WHEREAS, the Board finds such expulsion to be appropriate and reasonable in duration.*

*NOW THEREFORE, by a majority vote of its full membership pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 3313.66, the Board does hereby affirm the order of such expulsion and authorizes and directs its Treasurer to provide written notice to the expelled student and that student's parents.*

**Motion to approve the resolution opposing a flawed public school accountability system and a return to local control by school districts.**

Mrs. Dunlap motioned to approve a resolution opposing a flawed school funding system and return local control to the school districts. Mrs. Quesenberry seconded the motion.

**Motion to amend the original motion. (a) REF: 1.16.18**

Mr. Whitman made a motion to amend the original motion to correct two typos in the resolution. Mr. Begeny seconded the motion.

Final Resolution: Motion to amend the original motion to correct two typos in the original Motion carries..

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**Motion to postpone vote on the resolution as amended. (a) REF: 1.16.18**

Mr. Whitman made a motion to postpone the vote on the resolution until the next regular board meeting. Mr. Barga seconded the motion.

Final Resolution: Motion to postpone the vote fails.

Yea: Robert Barga, Neal Whitman

Nay: Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Joe Begeny

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**Motion to approve the resolution opposing a flawed public school accountability system and a return to local control by school districts as amened.**

Motion by Debbie Dunlap, second by Jeni Quesenberry

Final Resolution: Motion carries as amended.

Yea: Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Joe Begeny

Nay: Robert Barga, Neal Whitman

**5.03 Approval of the Resolution Opposing a Flawed Public School Accountability System and a Return to Local Control by School Districts as amended (a) REF: 1.16.18**

*BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the following resolution opposing a flawed public school accountability system and return to local control by school districts.*

*WHEREAS the Ohio Constitution requires the state to secure a thorough and efficient system of common schools (Article VI.02); and*

*WHEREAS the Ohio Constitution affirms the essential role of local boards of education to deliver educational programming in a community-by-community basis (Article VI.03); and*

*WHEREAS Ohio has a long historical tradition of local control of schools via elected board members in each school district; and*

*WHEREAS the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) federal legislation emboldened by the Race to the Top (RttT) federal program as administered by state officials has usurped local control in several critical areas; and*

*WHEREAS NCLB and RttT have been replaced by Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA); and*

*WHEREAS ESSA continues the test and punish philosophy; and*

*WHEREAS changing standards and cut scores on an annual basis is inexcusable and counterproductive; and*

*WHEREAS education and accountability have greater scope and depth than test scores; and*

*WHEREAS the current accountability system is too narrow and does not reflect important and essential student outcomes; and*

*WHEREAS the single score measurement is an invalid assessment with false pretense claiming accountability and transparency; and*

*WHEREAS an accountability system that labels and punishes public schools in the belief that such will improve student learning is false; and*

*WHEREAS the current state testing system does not provide an item analysis to districts and does not provide Value-Added data in a timely manner which would allow teachers to utilize the data as a tool for improvement;*

*WHEREAS the current state report card has become increasingly cumbersome and difficult to comprehend leading to an increasing lack of confidence in it by educators and parents; now*

*THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Reynoldsburg City School District Board of Education supports recent efforts by State Superintendent Paolo DeMaria, the State Board of Education, and the Ohio legislature to reduce state required standardized testing, and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Reynoldsburg City School District’s Board of Education supports the state of Ohio in formulating a process that meaningfully involves parents, board members, school administrators, teachers, business leaders, and other school patrons, to develop an accountability system to truly measure how well public schools are fulfilling their primary role of developing educated, productive, well-rounded citizens in a manner that is understandable to all parties involved.*

**Motion to approve the resolution recognizing January 21-27, 2018 as Public Education Week.**

Mr. Barga made a motion to approve the resolution recognizing January 21-27, 2018 as Public Education Week. Mrs. Quesenberry seconded the motion.

**Motion to amend the original motion. (a) REF: 1.16.18**

Mr. Barga made a motion to chage “I” to “we” in the last sentence of the resolution. Mr. Whitman seconded the motion.

Final Resolution: Motion to amend carries.

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**Motion to approve the resolution recognizing January 21-27, 2018 as Public Education Week.**

Motion by Robert Barga, second by Jeni Quesenberry

Final Resolution: Motion carries.

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**5.04 Approval of the Resolution Recognizing January 21-27, 2018 as Public Education Week (a) REF: 1016.18**

*BE IT RESOLVED, to approve the following resolution recognizing January 21-27, 2018 as Public Education Week.*

***WHEREAS****, traditional public school districts in Ohio serve more than 1.8 million students and employ more than 245,000 Ohioans full time; and*

***WHEREAS****, all children in Ohio should have access to the highest-quality education possible; and*

***WHEREAS****, Ohio citizens recognize the important role that an effective education plays in preparing all students to be successful adults; and*

***WHEREAS****, quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of the Buckeye State; and*

***WHEREAS****, public education not only helps to diversify our economy, but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and*

***WHEREAS****, Ohio has many high-quality teaching professionals who are committed to educating our children; and*

***WHEREAS****, public education is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective public schools;*

***THEREFORE****, the Reynoldsburg City Schools Board of Education does hereby recognize January 21-27, 2018 as PUBLIC EDUCATION WEEK, and we call this observance to the attention of all Ohioans.*

**6. Items from the Superintendent**

**6.01 The Superintendent spoke on the following topics. (i) REF: 1.16.18**

* Thanked everyone for patience in inclement weather
* Plug for the bullying meeting that will be held on January 17, 2018
* Welcomed the two new Board members. Mr. Brown mentioned the Board retreat that will be held on January 27, 2018

**7. Recognition of Visitors**

**7.01 The following visitor addressed the Board. REF: 1.16.18**

* Joseph Sorenson talked about Reynoldsburg High School Student Council

**8. Finance**

**Motion to approve the Finance section of the Agenda.**

Motion by Debbie Dunlap, second by Neal Whitman

Final Resolution: Motion carries.

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**8.01 Financial Statements (a) REF: 1.16.18**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Treasurer's recommendation, to approve the December 31, 2017 Financial Statements.

**8.02 After-the-Fact Transactions (a) REF: 1.16.18**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Treasurer's recommendation, to approve the following after-the-fact transaction.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Vendor | PO Date | Invoice Date | Invoice # | Description | Amount |
| Vinson Consulting, LLC  | 1/3/2018 | 4/3/2017 | 1032 | EMIS System/Process Audit-Spring/Summer 2017 | $12,000.00 |

**8.03 Donations (a) REF: 1.16.18**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Treasurer's recommendation, to approve the following donations.

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| **School/Group** | **Amount/Value** | **Donor** | **Purpose** |
| eSTEM Academy | 31 used laptop computers valued at- $9,300   | Smuckers | For student use |
| eSTEM Academy | $8,000.00 | TS Tech | Robotics Team |
| Herbert Mills | $145.00 | Kroger | Principal's Fund |
| Reynoldsburg High School    | $200.00 | Friends of Art For Community Enrichment   | Reynoldsburg Youth Human Trafficking Coalition   |
| eSTEM Academy | $200.00 | The Hickory House | Robotics Team |
| Reynoldsburg High School | $1,000.00 | Chosen Few Vette Club | Reynoldsburg Youth Human Trafficking Coalition    |
| Reynoldsburg High School | $150.00 | East High School Class of 1973 | Reynoldsburg Youth Human Trafficking Coalition |
| Reynoldsburg High School | $250.00 | Alpha Phi Alpha Frat Inc. | Reynoldsburg Youth Human Trafficking Coalition |
| Reynoldsburg High School | $500.00 | Cornelious McGrady III | Reynoldsburg Youth Human Trafficking Coalition |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $100.00 | Phil Duncan | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $100.00 | Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Twynham | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $50.00 | Sylvia Huelsman | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $100.00 | Jana Alig | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $20.00 | Marilyn Metzger | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $25.00 | Belinda Herkins | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $35.00 | Mr. and Mrs. Ron Fortune | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $50.00 | Mr. and Mrs. Jason Demkowicz | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $100.00 | Barbara Levak | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $100.00 | Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parsons | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $100.00 | Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hoffman | Ed James Memorial Fund |
| Reynoldsburg City Schools | $200.00 | Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Kanaan | Ed James Memorial Fund |

**9. Personnel**

**Motion to approve the Personnel section of the Agenda.**

Motion by Robert Barga, second by Jeni Quesenberry

Final Resolution: Motion carries.

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**9.01 Administrative Staff (a) REF: 1.16.18**

**EMPLOYMENT - TRANSFERS (a)**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to accept the following employment transfers for 2017-2018 only:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Name** | **From Building** | **To Building** | **From Assignment** | **To Assignment** | **Salary** | **Effective Date** | **Fund** |
| Amy Gengo | eSTEM | BRJH | Assistant Principal | Interim Principal | $92,004 (pro-rated) | 01.22.2018 | District |

**9.02 Certified Staff (a) REF: 1.16.18**

**PAYMENT FOR OTHER SERVICES (a)**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to approve the following for payment as indicated:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Name** | **Building** | **Service Rendered** | **Rate of Pay** | **Fund** | **Effective Date** |
| Katharine Demchak | WRJH | iReady Lead | $500 Flat Rate | District001.2421.113 | 2017-2018 School Year |
| TracyMartz | District | Gifted Services | $400 Flat Rate | 001.1210.113 | 2017-2018 School Year |
| Nicholas Twyman | SR | Tutoring Coordinator | $20 Hourly | 001.2421.113.00015.015 | 2017-2018 School Year |

**9.03 Classified Staff (a) REF: 1.16.18**

**RESIGNATIONS (a)**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to approve the resignation of the following:

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| **Name** | **Building** | **Assignment** | **Effective Date** |
| MelissaKirk | LHS | Library & Media Paraprofessional | 01.02.2018 |
| MaggieLawson | WRJH | Building Administrative Secretary | 01.02.2018 |
| JazzmineMabra-Davis | Encore | Educational Paraprofessional | 01.12.2018 |
| KimberlyThomas | HM | Health and Wellness Paraprofessional | 01.24.2018 |
| KellyWyandt | SUES | Health and Wellness Paraprofessional | 01.15.2018 |
| QuentenWyant | RH | Educational Paraprofessional | 01.17.2018 |

**EMPLOYMENT (a)**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to accept the following employment:

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| **Name** | **Building** | **Assignment** | **FTE** | **Level** | **Salary/Rate** | **Replacing** | **Effective Date** | **Fund** |
| MelissaKirk | SUHS | Office Aide | 1.0 | 0 | $12.43/HR | Katherine Petroski | 01.03.2018 | Bldg |
| Karen Thomas | LHS | 3 Hour Cook | .55 | 0 | $12.32/HR | Julia Hixon | 01.17.2018 | Food Svcs |
| KellyWyandt | WRJH | Building Administrative Secretary | 1.0 | 0 | $14.74/HR |  Cindy Arthur | 01.16.2018 | District |
| Andrew Delzoppo | RH | Health & Wellness Paraprofessional | .81 | 0 | $13.78/HR | Brock Thomas | 01.02.2018 | District |

**EMPLOYMENT - CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES (a)**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to approve the employment of the following:

**Substitute/Supplemental Parapros - $11.48 Hourly**

Aaron Mays

**9.04 Classified Administrative Exempt (a) REF: 1.16.18**

**EMPLOYMENT (a)**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to accept the following employment:

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| **Name** | **Building** | **Assignment** | **FTE** | **Salary/Rate** | **Replacing** | **Effective Date** | **Fund** |
| Maggie Lawson | BG | Administrative Assistant to Transportation Director | 1.0 | $16.50/HR | New Position | 01.11.2018 | District |
| Juanita Morrison | CO/Welcome Center | Receptionist | 1.0 | $15.00 HR | New Position | 01.10.2018 | District |

**9.05 Supplemental Staff (a) REF: 1.16.18**

**SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS (a)**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to approve the following supplemental contracts for employment:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Name** | **Position** | **Salary** | **Effective Date** | **Fund** |
| Michael Colbert | Assistant/JV Wrestling | $1,375 | 17-18 School Year | Athletics |
| Katherine Crawford | Assistant Swimming | $2,250 | 17-18 School Year | Athletics |

**CORRECTION TO PREVIOUS SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT (a)**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent’s recommendation, to amend the supplemental contract for Skye Leasure who was Board approved on 6.27.17 to be paid $4000.00 for Head Cheerleading Coaching.  Her new contracted amount will be $4500.00.

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent’s recommendation, to amend the supplemental contract for Sharita Wallace who was Board approved on 7.18.17 to be paid $2500.00 for Assistant/JV Cheerleading Coach.  Her new contracted amount will be $3000.00.

**9.06 Student Employees (a) REF: 1.16.18**

**EMPLOYMENT (a)**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to approve the employment of the following:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Name** | **Building** | **Assignment** | **Rate** | **Fund** | **Effective Date** |
| RandallSword, Jr. | PAC | Student Worker | $12.50/HR | District | 01.17.2018 |

**10. Curriculum & Programs**

**Motion to approve the Curriculum & Programs section of the Agenda.**

Motion by Neal Whitman, second by Debbie Dunlap

Final Resolution: Motion carries.

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**10.01 Educational Travel - Summit Elementary - Salt Lake City (a) REF: 1.16.18**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to approve the Summit Elementary travel to the Confucius Institute Chinese Competition trip, February 1st and 2nd, 2018.  The students will miss 2 days of school.

**10.02 Educational Travel - Herbert Mills Elementary - Salt Lake City (a) 1.16.18**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to approve the Herbert Mills Elementary travel to the Confucius Institute Chinese Competition trip, February 1st and 2nd, 2018.  The students will miss 2 days of school.

**10.03 Educational Travel - STEM Academy - Salt Lake City (a) 1.16.18**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to approve the STEM Academy travel to the Confucius Institute Chinese Competition trip, February 1st and 2nd, 2018.  The students will miss 2 days of school.

**11. Policies**

**Motion to approve the updated Staff Handbook and Workplace Bullying Policy.**

Motion by Jeni Quesenberry, second by Neal Whitman

Final Resolution: Motion carries.

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**11.01 Updated Staff Handbook and Workplace Bullying Policy (a) REF: 1.16.18**

BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the Superintendent's recommendation, to approve the attached Employee Handbook.

**12. Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn.**

Motion by Robert Barga, second by Jeni Quesenberry

Final Resolution: Motion carries.

Yea: Robert Barga, Debbie Dunlap, Jeni Quesenberry, Neal Whitman, Joe Begeny

**12.01 Motion to Adjourn (a) REF: 1.16.18**

The meeting was adjourned.

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