

April 17, 2023

ASHTABULA COUNTY TECHNICAL & CAREER CENTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

The meeting of the Ashtabula County Technical & Career Center Board of Education was called to order by President Klingensmith on April 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room of Building B.

Present: Sally Fisher, Michael Kennedy, Barbara Klingensmith, William Niemi, Gus Saikaly, Harlan Waid, Supt. Wludyga, Treasurer Elly, Michael Thornton, Eric Nesbitt, Scholastic Bowl Team – Kendall Lewis, Kaycee Spears, Beau Sweitzer, Samantha Gorenson and Tracy Sprague, Advisor

Absent: Debra Barrickman

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The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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It was moved by Mr. Saikaly and seconded by Mr. Niemi that the minutes of the regular March meeting as sent to all board members prior to this meeting be approved and their reading be dispensed with.

**MINUTES**

ROLL CALL: Fisher, yes; Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Ms. Fisher and seconded by Dr. Waid that the financial reports for March including the following investments be approved:

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Premier Savings Deposits

None

Premier Savings Withdrawals

None

Huntington MMAX Deposits

3/31/2023 March MMAX Interest Added to Investments:

\$6,665.83

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Average Interest Rate for March from Huntington Premier Savings:	2.99%
March Interest Earned from Premier Savings:	\$5,637.33
Average Interest Rate for March 1-26 from Huntington MMAX:	2.95%
Average Interest Rate for March 27-31 from Huntington MMAX:	3.20%
March 1-26 Interest Earned from Huntington MMAX:	\$5,515.31
March 27-31 Interest Earned from Huntington MMAX:	\$1,150.52
Total All Funds Invested as of 3/31/2023:	\$6,512,292.50
Interest Earned FTD as of 3/31/2023:	\$71,247.39

Dr. Waid asked how scholarships are coming along. Mr. Niemi answered that AHS/HHS/Lakeside High School Alumni Association scholarships are not necessarily for college.

ROLL CALL: Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes, Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Fisher, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Mr. Niemi and seconded by Mr. Kennedy that bills for March be approved. Vouchers were presented to Board members for their review.

**BILLS**

ROLL CALL: Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Fisher, yes; Kennedy, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Mr. Saikaly and seconded by Ms. Fisher that the Board authorize the Treasurer to enter into an agreement with the Local Government Services Section of the Office of the Auditor of State (LGS) for the compilation of the basic financial statements of the Ashtabula County Technical & Career Center for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

**LGS AGREEMENT**

ROLL CALL: Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Fisher, yes; Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Mr. Niemi and seconded by Ms. Fisher that the Board approve the OMNI & TSACG Compliance Services Agreement.

**OMNI & TSACG  
AGREEMENT**

ROLL CALL: Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Fisher, yes; Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Dr. Waid and seconded by Mr. Niemi that the Board take action to non-renew the following retire-rehire staff personnel's one-year limited contract, per the teacher's negotiated agreement, section 10.10 (C):

**NON-RENEWALS**

Joseph Chiacchiero  
Gilda McQuoid  
Danny Rogge

ROLL CALL: Waid, yes; Fisher, yes; Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Mr. Niemi and seconded by Mr. Kennedy that the Board approve the following:

**PERSONNEL  
EMPLOYMENT**

1. That George Smith, II be extended a one-year, 183 day limited contract for 2023-2024 as Career Technical Instructor at Class I, Step 0 beginning August 17, 2023 to May 31, 2024 pending verification of work experience, proper certification and satisfactory criminal records background check and in accordance with the adopted salary schedule.
2. That the following personnel be extended one-year limited contracts for the 2023-2024 school year, in accordance with the Teachers Negotiated Agreement and in accordance with the adopted salary schedule and pending proper certification:

Avery Cooper	I, 5
Alison Dunn	V, 10
Ryan Geho	I, 10
Ashley Gillette	I, 5
Kristin Lamson	I, 10
Tyler Pew	I, 1
Sandra Schmude	I, 1
Colleen Tannish	VI, 20

3. That the following personnel be extended two-year limited contracts beginning with the 2023-2024 school year, in accordance

with the Teachers Negotiated Agreement and in accordance with the adopted salary schedule and pending proper certification:

Anna Deeter	I, 4
Mark Brest	I, 11
Amanda Perisa-Semancik	VI, 14
Stephen Robbins	III, 11

4. That the following personnel be extended three-year limited contracts beginning with the 2023-2024 school year, in accordance with the Teachers Negotiated Agreement and in accordance with the adopted salary schedule and pending proper certification:

Jaime Andes	II, 16
Monica Beckwith	V, 20
Marybeth Betteys	III, 11
Sarah Carrel	VI, 19
Jason Dalton	III, 13
Rebecca Douglas	VII, 19
Kimberly Hess	IV, 20
Cody Lewis	III, 10
Monica Offensend	III, 20
Shannon Piper	IV, 18
Lea Polta	II, 10
Suzanne Pratt	IV, 20
Amanda Schumann	V, 20
Kathryn Severino	V, 5
Craig Smylie	II, 12
Joe Waite	IV, 20
Tiffanee Warner	V, 20

5. That Ada Campese, Custodian, be issued a two-year limited contract beginning July 1, 2023 as per the Custodial salary schedule with the Teamsters Negotiated Agreement and in accordance with ORC 3319.083.
6. That Zachary Millard, Custodian, be issued a two-year limited contract beginning July 1, 2023 as per the Custodial salary schedule with the Teamsters Negotiated Agreement and in accordance with ORC 3319.083.
7. That Adam Paul, Custodian, be issued a two-year limited contract beginning July 1, 2023 as per the Custodial salary schedule with the Teamsters Negotiated Agreement and in accordance with ORC 3319.083.

8. That Donald Rood, Custodian, be issued a two-year limited contract beginning July 1, 2023 as per the Custodial salary schedule with the Teamsters Negotiated Agreement and in accordance with ORC 3319.083.
9. That the following personnel be given extended service contracts in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and 3319.11(e) for the 2023-2024 school year and according to the salary schedule:

Cheryl Daubenspeck	15 days
Kathryn Severino	15 days
Paul Stofan	7 days
Paul Stofan	1/2 hour extra per day
Kenneth Noble	10 days
Amanda Schumann	10 days
Vicki Sharp	6 days
Colleen Tannish	6 days
Jaime Andes	5 days
Kristin Lamson	5 days
Denise Miller	5 days
Monica Offensend	5 days
Staci Zappitelli	5 days

10. That Jessica Dalin be issued a supplemental extended service contract for the 2023-2024 school year on an as needed as scheduled basis at her 2023-2024 per diem hourly rate for the Small Animal Care Program.
11. That Avery Cooper, Adult Cosmetology Instructor be issued a supplemental extended service contract on an as needed, as scheduled basis not to exceed an extra hour each day for 183 hours for the 2023-2024 year, at her daily per diem hourly/daily rate and in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and 3319.11(e) and according to the salary schedule.
12. That Stephanie Miller be issued a supplemental contract as RN Coordinator for the 2023-2024 school year in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and 3319.11(e) for a total of \$2,000.00.
13. That Stephanie Miller be issued a supplemental contract as RN Instructor for the 2023-2024 school year in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and 3319.11(e) for a total of \$3,000.00.
14. That Rebecca Robinson, RN Instructor be issued a supplemental extended service contract on an as needed, as scheduled basis, 1 additional hour not to exceed 183 hours from July 1, 2023 to June

30, 2024, at her daily per diem hourly rate and in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and according to the salary schedule.

15. That Jaime Andes, LPN Instructor be issued a supplemental extended service contract on an as needed, as scheduled basis, 1 hour additional not to exceed 188 hours from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, at her daily per diem hourly rate and in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and according to the salary schedule.

16. That Kristin Lamson, LPN Instructor be issued a supplemental extended service contract on an as needed, as scheduled basis, 1 hour additional not to exceed 188 hours from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, at her daily per diem hourly rate and in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and according to the salary schedule.

17. That Monica Offensend, LPN Instructor be issued a supplemental extended service contract on an as needed, as scheduled basis, 1 hour additional not to exceed 188 hours from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, at her daily per diem hourly rate and in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and according to the salary schedule.

ROLL CALL: Fisher, yes; Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Dr. Waid and seconded by Mr. Kennedy the following Workforce Development personnel be issued contracts for the 2023-2024 as PRN Instructors, on an as needed as scheduled basis by the Superintendent, at \$25.00 per hour pending proper certification and sufficient student enrollment and satisfactory criminal records background check in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and 3319.11(e):

**WFD PERSONNEL**

Susan Niemi

ROLL CALL: Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, abstain; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Fisher, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Ms. Fisher and seconded by Dr. Waid that the Board approve the following:

**PERSONNEL  
EMPLOYMENT**

1. That the following Workforce Development personnel be issued contracts for 2023-2024 as PRN Instructors, on an as needed as scheduled basis by the Superintendent, at \$25.00 per hour pending proper certification and sufficient student enrollment and satisfactory criminal records background check in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and 3319.11(e):

Cynthia Burckhardt  
Jane Christner  
Carol DeFina  
Nichole Kirby  
Denise Manchester

Cathy Marcy  
Loteia Presciano  
Terri Robertson  
Kathy Stevens

2. That the following be issued contracts as substitutes in the areas listed, on an as needed as scheduled bases for the 2022-2023 school year in accordance with the non-bargaining salary schedule and, ending satisfactory criminal records background check and proper certification, in accordance with ORC 3319.083:

George Smith, II

ROLL CALL: Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes;  
Waid, yes; Fisher, yes; Kennedy, yes. Motion  
carried.

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It was moved by Mr. Niemi and seconded by Mr. Saikaly that the Board approve the following out-of-county/state field trips.

**OUT OF COUNTY/  
STATE FIELD  
TRIPS**

- a. Power Sports - FFA March 31, 2023 Wooster, OH
- b. Auto Collision - SkillsUSA April 11, 2023 Columbus, OH
- c. Culinary Arts II April 28, 2023 Cleveland, OH
- d. Engineering Academy April 28 & 29, 2023 Kirtland, OH
- e. Horticulture - FFA May 3 - May 5, 2023 Columbus, OH

ROLL CALL: Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Fisher, yes;  
Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes. Motion  
carried.

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It was moved by Mr. Saikaly and seconded by Ms. Fisher that the Board enter into agreements with the following to provide work experience for Youth Opportunities/TANF program students:

**YO! WORKSITE  
AGREEMENTS**

Ashtabula County Community Action  
Ashtabula County Community Action Head Start Program  
Ashtabula Dream Center

Mr. Kennedy asked what the Dream Center is. Mrs. Klingensmith answered that it is a hot meal program/food pantry. Mr. Saikaly added that they also fix bicycles.

ROLL CALL: Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Fisher, yes; Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Mrs. Klingensmith and seconded by Ms. Fisher that the Board approve the second reading of the new, revised, and replacement policies including: Technical Corrections, College Credit Plus Program, Homebound Instruction Program, Volunteers, Health Services, Removal, Suspension, Expulsion, and Permanent Exclusion of Students, Federal Grants/Funds, Animals on District Property, School Safety, Emergency Situations at Schools, Student Abuse and Neglect, Computer Technology and Networks, Technology Privacy, Web Accessibility, Content, Apps, and Services, Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety, Staff Technology Acceptable use and Safety, Information Management, Tobacco Use Prevention, Public Attendance at School Events. **2<sup>ND</sup> READING OF OF POLICY**

ROLL CALL: Waid, yes; Fisher, yes; Kennedy, yes. Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Dr. Waid and seconded by Mr. Kennedy that the Board approve a Resolution in support of expanding Career Technical Facilities. **EXPANDING CAREER TECH FACILITIES**

Mr. Wludyga explained to the Board that this resolution will be part of our facilities funding application.

ROLL CALL: Fisher, yes; Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes. Motion carried.



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Dr. Waid went over the legislative report with the Board.

**LEGISLATIVE  
REPORT**

SB1 – Debates continue.

ACE – After school enrichment programs are now eligible for a \$1,000 tax credit. An increase from \$500. Dr. Waid listed some organizations in the area participating.

New HB 125 – Increases the 529 deductions for Higher Education. Up to \$8,000 now for those filing jointly.

Sarah Fowler introduced HB127 – Changing the rules for home schooling.

eSports such as Minecraft and other video games are endorsed by the OHSAA as a sport now. Bloomfield and Auburn Career Center have teams.

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1. Senior Awards – Friday, May 26, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. at Lakeside High School
2. Facilities Update – Mr. Wludyga gave a PowerPoint presentation.
3. SkillsUSA Update – There will be about 80 students attending.
4. Plant Sale Update & Horticulture, Landscaping & Parks Management - Plant sale starting on May 11 through May 19, 2023. Online orders with Cheddar Up!
5. Edgewood Multimedia – Ashtabula County Beekeepers Association - Logo contest was won by Fiona Payne and Avary Toth.
6. City of Conneaut Commercial CRA Application – Robert Zimmerman – 5 years/40%
7. Signing Night was awesome, had a great turnout with 257 students present.
8. ESC Board Member Training is being held here on Wednesday, May 10, 2023.

**SUPT'S  
REPORT**

April 17, 2023

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It was moved by Ms. Fisher and seconded by Mr. Niemi that the meeting be adjourned at 11:05 a.m. with the next Regular Meeting to be held on Monday, May 15, 2023, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Boardroom of Building B.

**ADJOURNMENT**

ROLL CALL: Kennedy, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Niemi, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes. Fisher, yes. Motion carried.

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President

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Treasurer