

March 20, 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 Monday, March 20, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room of Building B.

Present: Debra Barrickman, Sally Fisher, Michael Kennedy, Barbara Klingensmith, William Niemi, Gus Saikaly, Harlan Waid, Supt. Wludyga, Treasurer Elly, Michael Thornton

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The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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It was moved by Dr. Barrickman and seconded by Ms. Fisher that the minutes of the regular February meeting as sent to all board members prior to this meeting be approved and their reading be dispensed with.

**MINUTES**

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

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It was moved by Mr. Niemi and seconded by Dr. Waid that the financial reports for February including the following investments be approved:

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Premier Savings Deposits

None

Premier Savings Withdrawals

None

Huntington MMAX Deposits

2/28/2023 February MMAX Interest Added to Investments: \$5,836.67

Average Interest Rate for February from Huntington Premier Savings: .966%

February Interest Earned from Premier Savings: \$1,661.73

Average Interest Rate for February 1-5 from Huntington MMAX: 2.7%

Average Interest Rate for February 6-28 from Huntington MMAX: 2.95%

February 1-5 Interest Earned from Huntington MMAX: \$968.59

February 6-28 Interest Earned from Huntington MMAX:	\$4,868.08
Total All Funds Invested as of 2/28/2023:	\$6,262,626.67
Interest Earned FTD as of 2/28/2023:	\$50,278.72

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

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

**BILLS**

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

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It was moved by Dr. Barrickman and seconded by Ms. Fisher that the Board Approve Resolution to Accept the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorize the Necessary Tax Levies and Certify Them to the County Auditor for Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2023.

**AMOUNTS  
AND RATES**

Mrs. Elly went over the amounts and rates with the Board

ROLL CALL: Waid, yes; Barrickman, 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 Ms. Fisher that the Board approve the New Fund listed below:

**NEW FUND**

ARP Homeless Targeted Support Grant 501-9023

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

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Mr. Wludyga shared a letter from Representative Dave Joyce regarding The JOBS Act of 2023.

**OFFICIAL  
CORRESP**

Mr. Wludyga shared a thank you letter from the Conneaut Area Chamber of Commerce for the centerpiece by A-Tech and the \$25 Sponsor donation for their Annual Dinner Meeting.

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It was moved by Dr. Waid and seconded by Mr. Niemi that the Board approve the following personnel actions:

**RESIGNATIONS**

1. That the Board accept the resignation of Brian Kimmel, Instructional Coordinator, effective June 2, 2023, due to retirement.
2. That the Board accept the resignation of Jeff Stuyvesant, Power Sports & Outdoor Equipment Instructor, effective June 30, 2023, due to retirement.

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

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

**OUT OF COUNTY/  
STATE FIELD TRIP**

- a. Power Sports – FFA, March 9, 2023 - Warren, OH
- b. Horticulture – FFA, March 31 - April 1, 2023 - Nelsonville, OH
- c. Electricity - JATC IBEW, 673 April 5, 2023 - Mentor, OH
- d. Adult Cosmetology, April 13, 2023 - Sharon, PA
- e. Horticulture – FFA, April 21 - 22, 2023 - Nelsonville, OH
- f. SkillsUSA – State, April 24 - 25, 2023 - Columbus, OH
- g. Horticulture – Envirothon, April 26, 2023 - Norwalk, OH
- h. Horticulture - FFA Convention, May 3 - 6, 2023 - Columbus, OH

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

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It was moved by Mr. Saikaly and seconded by Mr. Kennedy that the Board enter into an agreement to provide work experience for Youth

**YO! WORKSITE  
AGREEMENTS**

Opportunities students. Funds will be provided pending approval of contract with Area 19/NOCCOG for the Youth Opportunities Program:

- Carter Lumber
- Conneaut Township Park
- Greenlawn Memory Gardens
- K-9 Cuts
- Rennick's Meat Market
- Village Green Golf Course

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

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It was moved by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Ms. Fisher that the Board approve the Workforce Development tuition rates as follows:

**WFD TUITION  
RATES FY 24**

<u>Program</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>% Increase</u>
Apprenticeship	\$575	\$600	4%
Boiler	\$950	\$950	-NA-
Business Office Specialist	\$5,500	\$5,725	4%
CAD	\$975	\$975	-NA-
CNC	\$995	\$995	-NA-
Cosmetology	\$12,200	\$12,500	2%
EKG	\$1,000	\$1,000	-NA-
EMR	\$750	\$750	-NA-
EMT B	\$1,300	\$1,375	5%
Industrial Electricity/HVAC	\$9,400	\$9,800	4%
Firefighter I	\$1,350	\$1,400	4%
Firefighter II - Transition	\$828	\$828	-NA-
HVAC	\$4,700	\$4,900	4%
IMPAC	\$9,350	\$9,500	2%
Industrial Electricity	\$4,700	\$4,900	4%
Industrial Maintenance	\$9,400	\$9,850	5%
Industrial Welding	\$6,000	\$6,200	3%
Intro to Machining	\$900	\$900	-NA-
INVENTOR	\$700	\$700	-NA-
Manicuring	\$1,900	\$1,900	-NA-
MS Excel	\$425	\$425	-NA-
MS PowerPoint	\$230	\$230	-NA-
MS Word	\$425	\$425	-NA-
Patient Care	\$1,600	\$1,600	-NA-
Phlebotomy	\$1,200	\$1,200	-NA-
Pipe	\$800	\$800	-NA-

PLC	\$1,900	\$1,900	-NA-
STNA	\$630	\$645	2%
30-Hour Welding	\$975	\$975	-NA-

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

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It was moved by Ms. Fisher and seconded by Mr. Niemi that the Board approve the 2023-2024 school calendar.

**2023-2024**  
**CALENDAR**

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

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The Board had the first reading of the new, revised, and replacement policies.

**1<sup>st</sup> READING**  
**OF POLICY**

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It was moved by Mr. Saikaly and seconded by Mr. Kennedy that the Board approve the removal of several items of equipment that are beyond repair and no longer usable for operational needs. It is the Superintendent's recommendation that since the value is below \$2,000 that the Board authorizes the removal of said items from the District's inventory and authorizes the Superintendent to dispose of or cannibalize said items.

**INVENTORY**

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

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

**LEGISLATIVE**  
**REPORT**

SB1 – Passed by Senate, Department of Education and Work Force Development (DEW).

HB11 – Backpack bill – Match Educational Choice \$5,500 for K-8 and \$7,500 for 9-12 – 50% rollover at the end of the year.

HB1 – Reducing income tax to flat rate of 2.75% and remove 10% property tax rollback.

Sports betting is now legal in Ohio. This has created \$208 million in Ohio since January.

SB1 – Includes the \$500 voucher for after school activities – The Ashtabula Arts Center is currently participating.

Neighborhood Bridges – 501c3 charity that is being used in some communities. The closest in the area participating is in Kent.

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1. High School Enrollment Projections  
Mr. Wludyga provided a handout.

**SUPT'S**  
**REPORT**

2. Facilities  
The Buehrer Group came and walked through the entire campus with Mr. Wludyga and Mr. Biber.

3. Safety Grant  
Mr. Wludyga provided a handout regarding the Anchorman emergency door barricades that will be purchased with the safety grant.

4. Attorney General Collections  
Mr. Wludyga informed the Board that almost \$500 has been collected and more outstanding balances have been submitted for payment.

5. RAPIDS Grant  
Mr. Porter applied for a virtual welder through the RAPIDS grant. It will be owned by Youngstown State University, but will be housed on our campus. The price of the machine is about \$53,000.

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Dr. Waid congratulated the Quizbowl team. He's very proud that they have won half of the matches this year.

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It was moved by Mr. Saikaly and seconded by Ms. Fisher that the meeting be adjourned at 11:08 a.m. with the next Regular Meeting to be held on Monday, April 17, 2023, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room of Building B.

**ADJOURNMENT**

March 20, 2023

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

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President

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Treasurer