

July 22, 2024

ASHTABULA COUNTY TECHNICAL & CAREER CENTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

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The meeting of the Ashtabula County Technical & Career Center Board of Education was called to order by President Barrickman on Monday, July 22, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Boardroom of Building B.

Present: Debra Barrickman, Barbara Klingensmith, Eric Nesbitt,  
William Niemi, Jamie Ortiz, Gus Saikaly, Harlan Waid,  
Supt. Wludyga, Treasurer Elly, Gavin Smith of A.M. Higley

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It was moved by Mr. Niemi and seconded by Mrs. Ortiz that the Board adopt the Agenda for July 22, 2024.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

ROLL CALL: Ortiz, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Barrickman, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Nesbitt, yes; Niemi, yes.  
Motion carried.

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Treasurer Elly certified Compliance with Meeting Requirements Rules.

**MEETING  
COMPLIANCE**

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The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PLEDGE OF  
ALLEGIANCE**

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

**MINUTES**

- Corrections: 1. Ken Porter's employment said June, should have said July.  
2. The last page showed the next meeting being at 10:00 p.m. and should have been a.m.

ROLL CALL: Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Barrickman, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Nesbitt, yes; Niemi, yes; Ortiz, yes. Motion carried.

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It was moved by Mr. Saikaly and seconded by Mr. Nesbitt that the Board approve the financial reports and bills for June and new funds.

**FINANCIAL  
REPORTS,  
BILLS, NEW  
FUNDS**

1. Premier Savings Deposits

Premier Savings Withdrawals

RedTree Investment Group

6/30/2024 June Interest Added to Investments \$7,677.75

Star Ohio

6/30/2024 June Interest Added to Investments \$18,090.23

Average Interest Rate for June from Huntington Premier Savings: 2.981%

June Interest Earned from Premier Savings: \$7,255.31

Total All Funds Invested as of 6/30/2024: \$11,449,902.39

Interest Earned FTD as of 6/30/2024: \$288,391.40

2. That Bills for June be approved. Vouchers were presented to Board members for their review.

3. That the Board approve the following new funds:

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| 1. Center for Training Excellence FY25 | 413-9025 |
| 2. ONEnet Connectivity FY25            | 451-9025 |
| 3. Aspire Grant FY25                   | 501-9525 |
| 4. Equity for Each Grant FY25          | 524-9025 |
| 5. VEPD Secondary Grant FY25           | 524-9254 |
| 6. VEPD Adult Grant FY25               | 524-9256 |

ROLL CALL: Waid, yes; Barrickman, yes; Klingensmith, yes;  
Nesbitt, yes; Niemi, yes; Ortiz, yes; Saikaly, yes.  
Motion carried.

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Mr. Wludyga shared correspondence from the following:

**OFFICIAL  
CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Sarah Fowler Arthur - Email

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It was moved by Dr. Waid and seconded by Mr. Niemi that the Board

**NON-RENEWAL/**

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accept the following:

**RESIGNATIONS**

1. That the Board will non-renew Michael Warren, Lakeside High School Industry 4.0 Instructor, at the end of his 2023-2024 contract. The Ashtabula Area City School District has decided not to continue the program for the 2024-2025 school year.
2. That the Board accept the resignation of Robert Archuleta, Career Placement Coordinator, at the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year.
3. That the Board accept the resignation of Ryan Geho, IT Academy Instructor, at the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year.
4. That the Board accept the resignation of Avery Cooper, Adult WFD Cosmetology Instructor, effective August 18, 2024, to accept the Secondary Cosmetology Instructor position.

ROLL CALL: Barrickman, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Nesbitt, yes; Niemi, yes; Ortiz, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes.  
Motion carried.

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It was moved by Mrs. Ortiz and seconded by Mr. Saikaly that the Board accept the following:

**EMPLOYMENT**

1. That Avery Cooper be extended a one-year, limited contract for the 2024-2025 school year as Cosmetology Instructor at Class I, Step 6, pending proper certification and satisfactory criminal records background check and in accordance with the teachers negotiated agreement and in accordance with the adopted salary schedule.
2. That Tracey Britt be extended a one-year, limited contract for the 2024-2025 school year as Career Placement Coordinator at Class I, Step 0, pending proper certification and satisfactory criminal records background check and in accordance with the teachers negotiated agreement and in accordance with the adopted salary schedule. (Resume Enclosed)
3. That Joseph Owens be issued a part-time contract for Youth Opportunities as "yO!" Van Driver beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, on an as needed, as scheduled basis at \$15.00 per hour, in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and 3319.11(e).

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4. That the following Workforce Development personnel be issued contracts for 2024-2025 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 in accordance with ORC 3319.11(1) and 3319.11(e):

Emily Beesler

ROLL CALL: Klingensmith, yes; Nesbitt, yes; Niemi, yes; Ortiz, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Barrickman, yes.  
Motion carried.

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It was moved by Mrs. Klingensmith and seconded by Mrs. Ortiz that the Board enter into an agreement to provide work experience for Youth Opportunities/TANF program students. That the Board accept the following donations. Letters of appreciation will be forwarded. That the Board enter in to an agreement to approve the 2024-2025 Lunch Prices.

**WORKSITE**  
**AGREEMENTS,**  
**DONATIONS,**  
**LUNCH PRICES**

1. Ashtabula County District Library  
The Hair Company of Geneva  
Healthy Vibes  
La Casa de Frida
2. Maple Construction Specialties / Stone Mountain performed the following duties in the Automotive Technology locker rooms and restrooms free of charge:
  - a. Grinded, removed paint and prepared surfaces
  - b. Applied epoxy base coat
  - c. Applied color flake
  - d. Applied clear coat polyaspartic
3. Regular Lunch Price - \$3.75  
Reduced Lunch Price - \$0.40

ROLL CALL: Nesbitt, yes; Niemi, yes; Ortiz, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Barrickman, yes; Klingensmith, yes.  
Motion carried.

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It was moved by Mr. Niemi and seconded by Mr. Nesbitt that the Board enter into an agreement to approve the 2024-2025 Student/Parent Handbook. That the Board enter into an agreement to approve the 2024-2025 LPN and RN Student Handbooks. That the Board enter into an agreement to approve the Second Reading of New, Revised, Replacement Policies. That the Board enter into an agreement to approve the agreement with Cadence Care Network for School Based Services for the 2024-2025 School Year.

**STUDENT/  
PARENT  
HANDBOOK,  
LPN/RN  
STUDENT  
HANDBOOK,  
2<sup>ND</sup> READING,  
CADENCE CARE  
NETWORK**

1. That the Board approve and adopt the 2024-2025 Student/Parent Handbook.
2. That the Board approve and adopt the 2024-2025 LPN and RN Student handbooks.
3. That the Board approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the New, Revised, Replacement Policies.
4. That the Board approve the agreement with Cadence Care Network.

Discussion: Mr. Wludyga commented no big changes in the student handbook – addition of cell phone policy. They will check their phones at the door. Dr. Barrickman asked if there is an outline for discipline. Mr. Wludyga answered yes, it is all spelled out and will be a points system.

Cadence Care Network Agreement will be an additional service. We will use DPIA & Student Wellness Funding. Dr. Waid asked who was providing services before? Mr. Wludyga replied Community Counseling and we are still using them as well. Mrs. Ortiz asked if they are local? Mr. Wludyga replied they are out of Trumbull County. Jefferson uses them as well. Mr. Saikaly asked if this is optional? Mr. Wludyga replied yes, teachers can refer, guidance counselors can refer, or students can request. Dr. Waid asked if it was 5 days a week? Mr. Wludyga replied yes, it is available every day.

Dr. Waid asked about the training for Title IX– Mr. Wludyga explained when we did the training and when the other administrators went through the training with legal counsel. Mr. Wludyga also explained that Public School Works can assist with a lot of the new trainings.

ROLL CALL: Niemi, yes; Nesbitt, yes; Ortiz, yes; Saikaly, yes;  
Waid, yes; Barrickman, yes; Klingensmith, yes.  
Motion carried.

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Mr. Niemi went over the legislative report with the Board.

**LEGISLATIVE  
REPORT**

Active session 6/26 HB147 House agreed with all Senate changes deals with teacher licenses. HB214 adopt policies regarding performance. SB112 buildings to comply with safety standards. SB29 changes regarding student records. HB518 cont. testimony on it deals with school transportation issues. Not anticipating being much more between now and the next general election in November.

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1. Information Day – Sunday, August 4, 2024

**SUPT'S  
REPORT**

Pick up packets, fill out forms, get student ID's, parents can ask questions

2. yO!/GRIT Summer Celebration – Thursday, August 15, 2024

- STNA
- Rise Up
- Ground School
- Advanced Manufacturing

It has been a busy summer. Shae Ballard and her team are doing great using the GRIT funding. Mr. Wludyga will send the board the details. Dr. Barrickman asked what GRIT stands for? Mr. Wludyga answered Growing Rural Independence Together. Mr. Wludyga will bring Shae Ballard in to give a presentation on GRIT.

3. LPN & RN Graduation Invitations in folders

4. Enterprise Zone (EZ) Application – HAVE, LLC. – 50% for 10 years

5. The Ashtabula County Manufacturing Institute Camp (ACMI) was a success again this year. We hosted three weeks of camps.

12 of 25 Week 1 Mad Scientist Girls Camp

25 of 25 Week 2 Robotics

22 of 25 Week 3 Food & Agriculture

15 of 15 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Future Tech

We are already making plans for next year.

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It was moved by Mr. Saikaly and seconded by Mr. Niemi that the Board adjourn into Executive Session to consider the employment of a public employee and preparing for, conducting, or reviewing collective bargaining strategy by division (G)(4) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code at 10:47 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**  
**INTO**  
**EXECUTIVE**  
**SESSION**

ROLL CALL: Ortiz, yes; Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Barrickman, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Nesbitt, yes; Niemi, yes.  
Motion carried.

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Dr. Barrickman declared return to regular session.

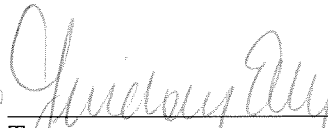
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It was moved by Mrs. Ortiz and seconded by Mr. Saikaly that the meeting be adjourned at 11:34 a.m. with the next Regular Meeting to be held on Monday, August 19, 2024, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room of Building B.

**ADJOURNMENT**

ROLL CALL: Saikaly, yes; Waid, yes; Barrickman, yes; Klingensmith, yes; Nesbitt, yes; Niemi, yes; Ortiz, yes. Motion carried.

  
President

  
Treasurer