

LORDSTOWN LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2021
6:00 P.M.
Lordstown High School Innovation Center

CALL TO ORDER

Time:

ROLL CALL

Present Mr. Catlin, Mrs. Click, Mrs. Kistler, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Woodward

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

21-0301 COMMENDATIONS AND RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT:

Mrs. Click moved and **Mrs. Reid** seconded the motion to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lordstown Local Board of Education wishes to commend the following individuals and groups for their recent distinction and achievements.

A. Commendation to the following students for being voting
Trumbull County Career and Technical Center February Student of Month

- Nicholas Allen
- Joseph Gigax
- Chandler Cremeans

B. Commendation to the following students for being newly inducted into the National Honor Society. New members are: Kaiden Anthony, Peyton Ferguson, Rose Mazurkewicz, Makayla Neiwanger, Lauren Phillips, Kileigh Rice, Sarah Schneider, Gentry Simmonds, Jackie Wilk, Nick Allen, Riley Cuckovich, Brandon Flynn.

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Click Yes, Mrs. Kistler Yes, Mrs. Reid Yes, Mrs. Woodward Yes, Mr. Catlin Yes
President declared **motion carried 5-0**

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS:

21-0302 A. RESOLUTION SUSPENDING BOARD POLICY REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

Mrs. Woodward moved and **Mr. Catlin** seconded the motion that the following resolution be approved:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio House Bill 197, signed into law by Governor DeWine on March 27, 2020, members of a public body may hold, attend, and

participate in meetings by means of teleconference, video conference, or any other similar electronic technology; and

WHEREAS, in conformance with the Executive Orders of the Governor's Office and the Ohio Department of Health, issued in March, 2020, prohibiting large gatherings of people and closing school buildings in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board has determined to exercise its authority to hold today's meeting by means of a ZOOM video conference; and

WHEREAS, holding a meeting via telephone or video-conference may preclude members of the public from participating by way of public comment, as otherwise required by Board Policy 0169.1; and

WHEREAS, to ensure compliance with its own Policies, the Board desires to suspend Board Policy 0169.1 for the duration of this meeting.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Lordstown Local School District, Ohio, that:

Section 1. Pursuant to and in accordance with Board policy 0131, the Board of Education hereby suspends Board policy 0169.1 "Public Participation at Board Meetings," in its entirety, for the duration of this meeting.

Section 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Catlin Yes, Mrs. Click Yes, Mrs. Kistler Yes, Mrs. Reid Yes, Mrs. Woodward Yes
President declared **motion carried 5-0**

21-0303 B. Moved by **Mrs. Woodward** and seconded by **Mrs. Reid** to approve the following resolution

Recommend that the Board accept the resignation of employment for purpose of retirement of Mark Ferrara as treasurer effective July 31, 2021 with the condition that the Board will rehire Mr. Ferrara on August 3, 2021.

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Woodward Yes, Mr. Catlin Yes, Mrs. Click Yes, Mrs. Kistler Yes, Mrs. Reid Yes
President declared **motion carried 5-0**.

21-0304 C. Recommend the Board adopt the following resolution: (See Attached at end)

Mrs. Click Moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received notice of the intended retirement of Treasurer, Mark Ferrara, effective August 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferrara has indicated an interest in returning as Treasurer for the District following said retirement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the resignation / retirement of Mark Ferrara, effective August 1, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education directs the Treasurer, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3309.345, to issue a public notice stating that Mark Ferrara, currently employed with the District as Treasurer, will be retired and is seeking employment with the District in such position following retirement, and such as the Board of Education, in accordance with state law, will hold a public meeting on the issue of Mark Ferrara being employed with the District at 6:00 p.m. on May 19, 2021, at its regular Board meeting on the date at the Lordstown Local School District Board of Education offices, 1824 Salt Springs Road, Lordstown, Ohio 44481. Said Public Notice should appear at least once in the "Legal Notices" section of the newspaper of general circulation in the District and be included in any general notice of the Board of Education meeting at which the hearing is going to be held.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is hereby found and determined that all formal action of this Board concerning and /or relating to the adoption of this Resolution was taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public and in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mrs. Click moved and **Mrs. Reid** seconded the motion
Discussion NONE

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Woodward Yes, Mr. Catlin Yes, Mrs. Click Yes, Mrs. Kistler Yes, Mrs. Reid Yes
President declared **motion carried 5-0.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS (BOARD MEMBERS/ADMINISTRATORS:

- A. Mr. Rich Zigarovich, Elementary Principal
- B. Mr. Jim Vivo, High School Principal

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Board and Board President reserves the right to set limits on time, use discretionary powers, waive or strictly adhere to Board adopted policy on public participation **NONE**

21-0305 CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lordstown Local Board of Education approves the following consensus resolution items:

TREASURER'S REPORTS

A. Recommend the Board approve the following minutes:

February 17, 2021 Work Session
February 17, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

B. Recommend the Board approve the financial reports for February 2021.

C. Recommend the Board accept the following tax rates as set by County Budget Commission for July 1, 2021:

	<u>Inside Mills</u>	<u>Outside Mills</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
General	6.90	24.30	3,339,512
Emergency #1		6.00	793,771
Emergency #2		5.50	727,624
Total	6.90	35.80	4,860,907

D. Approve a payment to the Class of 2022 from the Board of Education to help with prom costs in the amount of \$2,000.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

E. Recommend the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Lordstown Teachers' Association for the length of the 2020-2021 school year not to exceed 177 days and not to exceed 7.75 hours including a 30 minute, duty-free, uninterrupted lunch period.

F. Recommend the Board approve, in response to Senate Bill 216, the administration of the third grade ELA assessment to be paper/pencil based. The third grade math test will be administered online. The Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Lordstown Schools to submit for the approval to the Ohio Department of Education.

G. Recommend the Board approve, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the school calendar for the 2021-2022 school year as proposed, with the stipulation that the Board and the Superintendent may alter the school calendar as necessary to meet the needs of the district.

H. Recommend the Board approve a Memorandum of Understanding Agreement with Lordstown High School and the following college for College Credit Plus for the 2021-2022 academic school year:

➤ Youngstown State University

I. Recommend the Board approve Josh Lubich as a long term substitute for Amanda Price from March 26, 2021 thru May 3, 2021. The daily rate will be \$95.00 per day.

J. Recommend the Board approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2020-2021 school year, which shall become effective upon satisfactory completion of required criminal records checks and fulfillment of the requirements in O.R.C. 3319.303 and O.R.C. 3313.53 to coach, supervise or direct a pupil-activity program.

At Negotiated Supplemental Contract Rate

- Gerald Booze- 2nd Varsity Track Assistant

K. Recommend the Board approve the attached Purpose and Budgets for 2020-2021:

- National Honor Society
- Junior High Prep Bowl
- Junior High English Festival
- Letterman's Club
- Political History Club
- Elementary Prep Bowl

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Catlin Yes, Mrs. Click Yes, Mrs. Kistler Yes, Mrs. Reid Yes, Mrs. Woodward Yes
President declared motion carried 5-0

*Note: The following items should not be part of a Consensus Agenda –
Suspend or remove business manager for cause
Re-employ teacher not recommended by superintendent
Reject a recommendation that a teacher eligible for continuing status be re-employed *
Transfer funds in certain cases
Levy a tax outside 10 mill limitation (not emergency)

21-0306 EXECUTIVE SESSION – O.R.C. 121.22 as needed:

Mrs. Click moved, **Mrs. Ried** seconded, that the Board go into Executive Session at **6:31 P.M.** and that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, as a public Board of Education may hold an executive session only after a majority of the quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:

A. To consider one or more, as applicable, of the checked marked items with respect to a public employee of official:

1. _____ Appointment
2. _____ Employment
3. _____ Dismissal
4. _____ Discipline
5. _____ Promotion
6. _____ Demotion
7. _____ Compensation
8. _____ Investigation of charges/complaints (unless public hearing requested)

- B. To consider the purchase of property for public purposes or for the sale of property at competitive bidding.
- C. Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.
- D. Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.
- E. Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes.
- F. Specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing or avoiding prosecution for a violation of the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lordstown Local Board of Education, by a majority of the quorum present at this meeting, does hereby declare its intention to hold an executive session on item **D** as listed above.

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Woodward Yes, Mr. Catlin Yes, Mrs. Click Yes, Mrs. Kistler Yes, Mrs. Reid Yes
 President declared **motion carried 5-0**.

ORC 102.03B

No present or former public official or employee shall disclose or use, without appropriate authorization, any information acquired by the public official or employee in the course of the public official's or employee's official duties that is confidential because of statutory provisions, or that has been clearly designated to the public official or employee as confidential when that confidential designation is warranted because of the status of the proceedings or the circumstances under which the information was received and preserving its confidentiality is necessary to the proper conduct of government business.

 Reconvened by the Board President at: **7:17 P.M.** with **5 Board Members** present

21-0307 ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Woodward moved and **Mrs. Reid** seconded to adjourn the meeting

Time: 7:17 P.M.

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Kistler Yes, Mrs. Reid Yes, Mrs. Woodward Yes, Mr. Catlin Yes, Mrs. Click Yes
 Presidential declared **motion carried 5-0**

TREASURER

BOARD PRESIDENT

**LORDSTOWN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD RESOLUTION**

The Board of Education of the Lordstown Local School District, Trumbull County, Ohio, met in regular session this 17th day of March, 2021, with the following members present:

Mrs. Kistler

Mrs. Reid

Mrs. Click

Mrs. Woodward

Mr. Catlin

Mrs. Click moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

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Mrs. Reid seconded the adoption of the foregoing Resolution with the vote resulting as follows:

Mrs. Woodward	Yes
Mrs. Kistler	Yes
Mrs. Click	Yes
Mr. Catlin	Yes
Mrs. Reid	Yes

MOTION CARRIED. 5 - 0