

September 27, 2021

The Southeast Local Schools Board of Education met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 27, 2021 in the Middle School cafeteria, 8540 Tallmadge Rd., Portage County, Diamond, Ohio. The meeting was called to order by Board President John Danes.

Roll Call

Present: Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo
Absent: Lori Loudin-Smith

231-2021 Approve Agenda

Mary Kaley moved and Nicholas DeJacimo seconded the motion that the Board of Education accept and approve the board meeting agenda for September 27, 2021 as presented.

Yeas: John Witkosky, John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley
Nays: None
Motion Carried 4 to 0.

232-2021 Approval of Board Minutes

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and Mary Kaley seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the August 5, 2021 special board meeting minutes and the August 23, 2021 board minutes from the regular board meeting. The minutes are available for inspection in the office of the Treasurer.

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky
Nays: None
Motion Carried 4 to 0.

Board Committee Reports: Mr. DeJacimo reported that the Athletic Committee met with Carl Mesaros and Lori Sapp regarding their request for transportation for the Lacrosse team.

233-2021 Approval for Payment of Bills

John Danes moved and Mary Kaley seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the payment of bills.

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky
Nays: None
Motion Carried 4 to 0.

234-2021 Adopt Permanent Appropriations

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and Mary Kaley seconded the motion that the Board of Education adopt the permanent appropriations for fiscal year 2022 in the amount of \$30,659,051.93 with the General Fund being \$17,934,102.00. As per O.R.C. 5705.38, permanent appropriations must be adopted by September 30th.

Yeas: Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, John Danes
Nays: None
Motion Carried 4 to 0.

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235-2021

Approve Student Activity Purpose & Policy Statements

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and John Danes seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the Student Activity Purpose and Policy Statements and Guidelines for the 2021-2022 school year.

Yeas: Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

236-2021

Accept Resignation – Director of Business – Gregg Isler

Mary Kaley moved and Nicholas DeJacimo seconded the motion that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Gregg Isler, Director of Business, effective September 26, 2021.

Yeas: John Witkosky, John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

237-2021

Accept Retirement/Resignation – Bus Driver – Debra Diehl

Mary Kaley moved and John Danes seconded the motion that the Board of Education accept the retirement resignation of Debra Diehl, Bus Driver, effective December 1, 2021. (Last day of employment is November 30, 2021). Mrs. Diehl retires with 39 years of service.

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

238-2021

Accept Resignation – On Board Instructor – Debra Diehl

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and Mary Kaley seconded the motion that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Debra Diehl, On Board Instructor effective November 30, 2021.

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

239-2021

Accept Resignation – Custodian – Henry Michael

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and Mary Kaley seconded the motion that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Henry Michael, Custodian, contingent upon being hired as the Interim Director of Business, effective September 26, 2021. His last day as a custodian will be September 26, 2021.

Yeas: Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, John Danes

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

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240-2021

Hire - Interim Director of Business – Henry Michael

Mary Kaley moved and Nicholas DeJacimo seconded the motion that the Board of Education hire Henry Michael as the Interim Director of Business, contingent upon full and complete compliance with all legal, State of Ohio and Southeast Board of Education employment criteria. Effective September 27, 2021 through July 31, 2022. He will work 190 days and be paid \$50,388.

Yeas: Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

241-2021

Hire – Part Time Security Assistant/In School Suspension Monitor – Scott Witkosky

Mary Kaley moved and Nicholas DeJacimo seconded the motion that the Board of Education hire Scott Witkosky as a part time, intermittent, Security Assistant/In School Suspension Monitor, for the 2021-2022 school year, contingent upon full and complete compliance with all legal, State of Ohio and Southeast Board of Education employment criteria. He will be paid \$100 a day, not to exceed 4 days per week.

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley

Nays: None

Abstain: John Witkosky

Motion Carried 3 to 0 with 1 abstention.

242-2021

Approve Athletic Department Support Personnel

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and Mary Kaley seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the following person as Athletic Department Support Personnel for the 2021-2022 school year:

Debra Longgood

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

243-2021

Hire Supplemental Contracts

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and John Danes seconded the motion that the Board of Education hire the following people for the 2021-2022 supplemental contracts, contingent upon full and complete compliance with all State of Ohio and Southeast Board of Education employment criteria:

LPDC

Wendy Fishbeck

Tera McKenzie

Karen O'Connor

Jamie Brawley

Michelle Rentsch

Resident Educator Mentor

Christine Anzevino

Carrie Edwards

Wendy Fishbeck

Nicole Fraley

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

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244-2021

Hire Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI) Tutors

Mary Kaley moved and Nicholas DeJacimo seconded the motion that the Board of Education hire the following individuals as Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI) tutors as needed for the 2021-2022 school year, contingent upon full and complete compliance with all State of Ohio and Southeast Board of Education employment criteria. They will be paid \$18 per hour, not to exceed 28 hours per week. Effective September 20, 2021 through May 27, 2022.

Intermediate School

Carrie Sondereker

Primary School

Melissa Bradley

Beth Clifford

Lorie Stuver

Yeas: Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, John Danes

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

245-2021

Hire Substitutes

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and Mary Kaley seconded the motion that the Board of Education hire the following people, contingent upon full and complete compliance with all legal, State of Ohio and Southeast Board of Education employment criteria:

Substitute Teacher

Aaron Embacher – Effective 9/24/2021

Shawn Muldowney – Effective 9/14/2021

Substitute ESP

John Shinsky – Effective 9/13/2021

Lora Spencer – Effective 9/22/2021

Substitute Cook

Taletha Hannebique – Effective 9/22/2021

Elizabeth Taylor

Substitute Secretary

Elizabeth Slepoy – Effective 9/20/2021

Substitute Bus Driver

Jeff Grossenbacher – Effective 9/2/2021

Yeas: Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

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246-2021

Hire Supplemental Contracts

Mary Kaley moved and John Danes seconded the motion that the Board of Education hire the following individuals for the 2021-2022 season, contingent upon full and complete compliance with all legal, State of Ohio, OHSAA and Southeast Board of Education employment criteria:

Boys Basketball

Michael Matisi – Head Coach

Cheerleading

Mary Tarka – Head Coach

Basketball Intramurals

Michael Matisi – Boys

Lisa McCann – Girls

Michael Stiles – Girls

Yeas: John Witkosky, John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

247-2021

Approve Supplemental Contract – Head Girls Basketball Coach – Craig Nettleton

Mary Kaley moved and John Witkosky seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve a supplemental contract for the 2021-2022 school year as Head Girls Basketball Coach to Craig Nettleton, contingent upon full and complete compliance with all legal, State of Ohio, OHSAA and Southeast Board of Education employment criteria. Mr. Nettleton is a licensed, non-bargaining unit employee of the Board of Education. He will be paid at the salary reflected in the negotiated agreement between the Board and SELDTA, in as much as the position was first offered to all licensed bargaining unit employees and no applications were received.

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

248-2021

Approve School Resource Officer (SRO) Agreement

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and John Danes seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the School Resource Officer (SRO) agreement with the Portage County Sheriff's Office commencing September 1, 2021 and ending May 31, 2022.

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

249-2021

Approve Memorandum of Understanding – Gap Tutors/Math Coaches - SELDTA

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and Mary Kaley seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Southeast Board of Education and the Southeast Local District Teachers Association to post and hire Close the Gap tutors and two (2) mathematics coaches for the 2021-2022 school year.

Yeas: Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, John Danes

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

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250-2021

Approve Memorandum of Understanding – Supplemental Positions – SELDTA

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and John Danes seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Southeast Board of Education and the Southeast Local District Teachers Association for the period of the current CBA (June 30, 2020 – June 29, 2023) to amend the supplemental position of Assistant Choir to read Assistant Choir/Assistant Band.

Yeas: Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

251-2021

Approve Agreement – Summit County ESC – Business Advisory Council

John Danes moved and Nicholas DeJacimo seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the agreement for the Summit County Educational Service Center to serve as the Business Advisory Council for Southeast Local School District as per R.C. 3313.843 and/or R.C. 3313.845.

Yeas: John Witkosky, John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

252-2021

Approve Overnight Field Trip – High School Band and Choir

Nicholas DeJacimo moved and John Witkosky seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve an overnight field trip for the High School Band and Choir. The proper procedures have been followed as per Board policy ICA-R.

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

253-2021

Approve Middle School Choir Handbook

Mary Kaley moved and Nicholas DeJacimo seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the 2021-2022 Middle School Choir Handbook as presented.

Yeas: John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

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254-2021
Accept Donations

Mary Kaley moved and Nicholas DeJacimo seconded the motion that the Board of Education accept the following donations:

\$50.00 from Ed Wass to the Cafeteria to be used for extra food for Food Services.

\$57.70 from Frank Wass to the Cafeteria to be used for the Lunch Program.

Cookies valued at \$25.00 from Giant Eagle (Ravenna) to be used for Kindergarten Registration.

Three sheet pizzas valued at \$71.85 from Gioninos (Edinburg) to be used for Kindergarten Registration.

2 gallon Ziploc bags valued at \$130.00 from Advanced Plumbing Inc. to the Elementary Library to be used for students to take home library books.

School supplies valued at \$30 from Clara Ahrens to be used for students in need.

Yeas: Nicholas DeJacimo, Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, John Danes

Nays: None

Motion Carried 4 to 0.

Acknowledgements: Mr. Dunn acknowledged school supplies donated by Paris Township Fire Station collected during their School Supply Drive.

Board of Education Member Lori Loudin-Smith entered the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Promoting Positive Pirates: The elementary school is excited to have the Leveled Literacy Intervention Tutors back. Literacy Collaborative training is ongoing and the new transitional kindergarten program is benefiting students. Sixth grade orientation was a success and the middle school is sponsoring the "Hello" program this year. Additional math classes were added and there will be fifty students participating in the Close the Gap tutoring program. The high school has twenty students participating in credit recovery. Students enjoyed attending the homecoming dance that was held outside under a tent. The Girls Golf team won the PTC championship and the Varsity Football team is currently undefeated. The Marching Band took first place at the Ravenna Balloon-A-Fair parade.

New Business: Mrs. Bergman reviewed the Capital Conference registration and attendance guidelines with the Board of Education. Capital Conference will be held in person this year in Columbus, Ohio, November 7-9, 2021.

Maplewood Career Center: Mary Kaley reported that the spotlight program of the month was the Medical Assisting Program. Maplewood Career Center received the 2019 Ravenna Chamber of Commerce Award for their roof renovations.

Legislative Liaison Report: Mary Kaley reported that Governor DeWine announced the Ohio Vax-2-School COVID vaccine incentive. Mrs. Kaley updated the Board on the most current legislation including: HB255 which deals with delinquent tax lists; SB229 which would temporarily extend the deadline regarding blended learning models; SB200 which deals with re-enrollment waivers; HB105 which would require public schools to provide age-appropriate instruction in child sexual abuse and violence prevention; and SB1 which would require students who enter the ninth grade after July 1, 2022 to complete at least one-half unit of instruction in the study of financial literacy.

Business Advisory Council: The next meeting of the Business Advisory Council will be held on September 28, 2021 at 8:45 a.m. sponsored by the Summit County Educational Service Center.

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255-2021
Executive Session

Mary Kaley moved and Nicholas DeJacimo seconded the motion that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session to consider the employment and/or compensation of a public employee and to consider the investigation of complaints against a public employee as per ORC 121.22 No action will be taken after the conclusion of the Executive Session.

Yeas: Mary Kaley, John Witkosky, Lori Loudin-Smith, John Danes, Nicholas DeJacimo
Nays: None
Motion Carried 5 to 0.

The Board of Education entered Executive Session at 7:38 p.m.

The Board of Education returned to Public Session at 8:58 p.m.

256-2021
Adjournment

Mary Kaley moved and Nicholas DeJacimo seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting of the Southeast Board of Education at 9:08 p.m. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

John Danes, Board President

Cassie J. Bergman, Treasurer