

The Worthington Board of Education met for a Regular Meeting on the 11th day of September 2017, at 7:30 p.m., at the Worthington Education Center.

Mrs. Best called the meeting to order with roll call:

Mrs. Best	present
Mrs. Keegan	present
Mr. Schare	present
Mr. Shim	present
Mr. Wilson	present

After introductions and the call to order, Mrs. Best spoke of September 11th, stating that it was hard to believe that 16 years ago today the September 11th tragedy happened. Mrs. Best said that with each passing year, she is more amazed at the everlasting impact of loss and devastation, but also the strength we see in our communities. Mrs. Best added that while many of us here clearly remember that day vividly in our minds, our student board members were babies then and the post September 11th world is the world they know. In honor of those lost and the heroes made September 11th 2001, Mrs. Best then asked the student board members to stand up for a moment and help lead everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

17-129 Mrs. Keegan moved the adoption of a resolution whereby the agenda be approved for the regular Board of Education meeting.

Mr. Shim seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes

Mrs. Best, Mrs. Keegan, Mr. Schare, Mr. Shim, Mr. Wilson

Nays

None

Motion passed.

INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

B-1-a Welcome and Introduction of Superintendent Student Advisory Council

President Best introduced the following students of the 2017-2018 Superintendent Student Advisory Council:

Linworth
Noor Chaudhry
Jacob Rittenberg

TWHS
Troy Miller
Ben Smith
Kylie Wadkowski
Tanner Hunt
Ben Remlinger
Claire Wollett
Griffin Whitaker
Parker Jacobs

WKHS
Chase Brown
Elijah Young
Meghan Nally
Matthew Yap
Chelsea Kao
William Wiet
Jill Baumgardner

B-1-b Visitor Comments

There were no visitor comments.

B-1-c 2017 District Report Card Data

Chief Academic Officer Angie Adrean provided an overview of the data expected on the 2016-2017 district state report card.

B-1-d Board/Committee Reports, Announcements, and Updates

Mr. Schare, who attended Brookside Elementary's curriculum night, thanked Brookside staff and said these events are fantastic as you get to see how things come to life in a classroom. Mr. Schare also said that the board policy committee met and started the 2,000 block of board policy explaining that when the board meets at the September 25 special board meeting, the board will be reviewing the 8,000 block.

Mr. Schare also noted that it was rivalry week this week between TWHS and WKHS, admitting that the last couple of years he had made an annual bet with Mrs. Best over the football game and has never been overly optimistic about winning. However, this year Mr. Schare said he feels good about his odds and challenged Mrs. Best to their annual \$25 bet that will go to the Worthington Educational Foundation. Mrs. Best responded that she was feeling optimistic on Mr. Schare's behalf and accepted the bet, adding she thinks it will be a fun and exciting game.

Mrs. Keegan said it was nice to be a part of the TWHS NBC4 feature Friday morning and that it was fun to see how many students and staff members showed up at the crack of dawn. Mrs. Keegan also said that today was the City of Worthington's annual remembrance of September 11th and that it was great to see the sixth graders from Kilbourne Middle School come down to the Village Green and participate.

Mr. Wilson, who met with students in this year's Superintendent Student Advisory Council tonight, said that student's in this year's group are an engaged group with lots of ideas and that the other board members are really going to enjoy this group.

Mr. Shim gave a quick reminder for everyone to wear white at Friday's TWHS/WKHS football game as there is a whiteout.

Mrs. Best explained that the whiteout during the football game is to honor Chris Bradley and that we should all remember to wear white. Mrs. Best also informed the board that the Worthington Libraries is putting out applications for a new trustee and asked board members to let her know any names of who they think would be a good trustee and she would pass the names on to the library. Mrs. Best further stated that she would keep the board updated on the amount of applications, who has applied, and any further updates as the deadline to make a decision gets closer.

ACTIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE TREASURER

17-130 Mr. Schare moved the adoption of a resolution whereby the minutes of the August 28, 2017, special and regular meetings be approved, as indicated in Enclosures C-1-a-1 and C-1-a-2.

Mrs. Keegan seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes

Mrs. Keegan, Mr. Schare, Mr. Shim, Mr. Wilson, Mrs. Best

Nays

None

Motion passed.

17-131 Mr. Schare moved the adoption of a resolution whereby the following appropriation transfers (modifications) be approved, as presented by the Treasurer.

<u>FUND</u>	<u>OBJECT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
001	100-Personal Services	
	200-Benefit	
	400-Purchased Services	\$3,500.00
	500-Supplies	(\$4,368.00)
	600-Equipment	\$868.00
	700-Replacement	
	800-Dues/Fees	
	900-Other Uses of Funds	
TOTAL		<u>\$0.00</u>

Mr. Wilson seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes

Mr. Schare, Mr. Shim, Mr. Wilson, Mrs. Best, Mrs. Keegan

Nays

None

Motion passed.

ACTIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT – ROUTINE BUSINESS

17-132 Mr. Shim moved the adoption of a resolution whereby items C-2-a through C-2-c, be approved, as presented by the Superintendent.

C-2-a Resignations

Recommended motion: "...to accept the following resignations:

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Reason</u>
PONTIOUS, DENISE Effective 09/08/2017	Administrative Secretary WEC – Gifted Services	Personal
SWEDER, NICOLE Effective 09/15/2017	Special Education Attendant Brookside Elementary	Personal"

C-2-b Employment

Recommended motion: "...to employ the following personnel:

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – PROVISIONAL

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Reason</u>
BEACHY, SUZANNE Effective 09/01/2017	Bus Driver Transportation Class 13 Step 0 Pay \$20.93 Part-time	Fill vacancy
ROHRBACHER, JENNIFER Effective 09/18/2017	Bus Driver Transportation Class 13 Step H Pay \$25.02 Part-time	Fill vacancy

CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES

<u>Name/Pay Rate</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Position</u>
JORDAN, BRENDA \$11.50/hr.	08/29/2017	Substitute Secretary/Aide
SEYMOUR, ELIZABETH \$11.50/hr.	08/29/2017	Substitute Secretary/Aide

<u>Name/Pay Rate</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Position</u>
SIMMONS, PATRICIA \$11.50/hr.	08/29/2017	Substitute Secretary/Aide
STEELE, DANA A. \$9.50/hr.	08/29/2017	Substitute Food Service
WITHERSPOON, JANE \$11.50/hr.	08/29/2017	Substitute Secretary/Aide

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Pay/Unit</u>	<u>Total Pay</u>
<u>Worthington Kilbourne HS</u> Cheerleading Fall Assistant Coach	KRONENBERGER, MICHAELA	2.00	0	605.00	1210.00
Field Hockey Assistant Coach	ROSSI, MEGAN	4.00	0	605.00	2420.00
Soccer Girls Assistant Coach	BRUCHS, ALIZA	3.50	1	635.25	2223.38
Soccer Girls Assistant Coach	HANNA, BERNARD	2.50	4	726.00	1815.00
<u>Thomas Worthington HS</u> Football Assistant Coach	PITTMON, DAVID	3.00	0	605.00	1815.00
Football Assistant Coach	RHODES, BRANDON	2.50	0	605.00	1512.50
Soccer Girls Assistant Coach	DELARA, TAYLOR	3.50	0	605.00	2117.50"

C-2-c Contract Adjustments

Recommended motion: "...to adjust the following contracts:

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Reason</u>
GARDNER, MARIA Special Education Occupational Therapist Effective 09/05/2017	Class 01 Step 015 Base Pay \$73,134.00 FTE 0.80 Days 185.00 Actual Pay \$58,507.20	01 015 \$73,134.00 1.00 170.00 \$67,204.22	Increased need
GRUEN, KELLY Special Education Occupational Therapist Effective 09/05/2017	Class 04 Step 004 Base Pay \$56,308.00 FTE 0.80 Days 185.00 Actual Pay \$45,046.40	04 004 \$56,308.00 1.00 170.00 \$51,742.49	Increased need
HEMINGER, MICHELLE Special Education Occupational Therapist Effective 09/18/2017	Class 01 Step 030 Base Pay \$78,411.00 FTE 0.80 Days 185.00 Actual Pay \$62,728.80	01 030 \$78,411.00 0.90 161.00 \$61,414.89	Increased need
RILEY, JENNIFER St Michael School Psychologist Effective 08/14/2017	Class 07 Step 004 Base Pay \$60,787.00 FTE 0.60 Days 185.00 Actual Pay \$36,472.20	07 004 \$60,787.00 0.70 185.00 \$42,550.90	Increased need This is funded through Auxiliary funds
WOOTEN, CARRIE E Special Education Occupational Therapist Effective 09/05/2017	Class 06 Step 014 Base Pay \$93,185.00 FTE 0.80 Days 185.00 Actual Pay \$74,548.00	06 014 \$93,185.00 1.00 170.00 \$85,629.46	Increased need"

Mrs. Keegan seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes

Mr. Shim, Mr. Wilson, Mrs. Best, Mrs. Keegan, Mr. Schare

Nays

None

Motion passed.

ACTIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT – NEW BUSINESS

17-133 Mrs. Keegan moved the adoption of a resolution whereby items C-3-a through C-3-b, be approved, as presented by the Superintendent.

C-3-a Acceptance of Donations

Recommended motion: "...to accept the donations from the individuals and organizations listed below and to extend the board of education's and administration's appreciation to the individuals and members of these groups for their generosity and support."

<u>Name</u>	<u>Donation Value</u>	<u>Beneficiary</u>	<u>Purpose/Gift</u>
DonorsChoose.org	\$255.00	Slate Hill Elementary	Classroom library Books
DonorsChoose.org	\$738.00	Slate Hill Elementary	Hokki stools, yoga mats, ball chairs
Belinda Allen	\$100.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
Donald & Deneen DeRodes	\$100.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
Melissa Kruse	\$100.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
American Scientific LLC	\$531.00	District Science Day, 2018	540 Tippe Tops with teachers guides
Kristy Gunn, Lakeside H.S.	\$1,500.00	Worthington Estates Elementary	8 chromebooks
William & Jennifer Best	\$50.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
William & Jennifer Best	\$50.00	WKHS Theatre	Cash donation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Donation Value</u>	<u>Beneficiary</u>	<u>Purpose/Gift</u>
Melissa Kentner & James Ginneson	\$100.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
John & Patricia Wiechel	\$100.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
Paul & Melinda Hunley	\$75.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
Garry & Julie May	\$100.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
Stacy & Graham Cochran	\$100.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
Amanda & James Trueman	\$100.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
Cathleen Shaw	\$100.00	TWHS Theatre	Cash donation
TWHS QB Club	\$1,758.28	Worthington BOE	Cash donation
TWHS QB Club	\$2,109.94	Worthington BOE	Cash donation
Wolves Athletic Assn Wolf Pack LFC	\$2,109.94	Worthington BOE	Cash donation
Lady Cards Kickers Club, TWHS	\$2,461.59	Worthington BOE	Cash donation
Wolves Athletic Assn Wolf Pack LFC	\$2,584.68	Worthington BOE	Cash donation
WKHS Field Hockey Boosters	\$2,813.25	Worthington BOE	Cash donation

C-3-b Continued Enrollment of Seniors Moving Out of District

Recommended motion: "...to approve the continued enrollments of seniors Jacob Fernandez, Cara Leveto, and Brigham Washburn, whose legal guardians have moved from the Worthington School District."

Jacob and Cara are currently enrolled at Thomas Worthington High School and Brigham is currently enrolled at Worthington Kilbourne High School. Because their families have moved out of the Worthington School District, Jacob, Cara, and Brigham would like to complete their senior years in Worthington Schools and graduate with the class of 2018.

According to the Ohio Revised Code, 3313.64(F), "Any child under the age of twenty-two whose parent has moved out of the school district after commencement of classes in the child's senior year of high school is entitled, subject of the approval of the district board, to attend school in the district in which the child attended at the time of the parental move for the remainder of the school year and for one additional semester or equivalent term."

Furthermore, BOE policy states that the student must have attended at least four semesters in Worthington Schools and have achieved at least junior status. These students meet these requirements.

This is the first, second and third such requests this school year.

Mr. Shim seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes

Mr. Wilson, Mrs. Best, Mrs. Keegan, Mr. Schare, Mr. Shim

Nays

None

Motion passed.

ACTIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

17-134 Mr. Schare moved the adoption of a resolution whereby the registrations of Mr. Shim and Mr. Wilson be approved to attend the Alliance for High Quality Education Annual Meeting and Luncheon on November 13, 2017 at the Hilton Columbus Downtown.

Mrs. Keegan seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes

Mrs. Best, Mrs. Keegan, Mr. Schare, Mr. Shim, Mr. Wilson

Nays

None

Motion passed.

REQUESTS / QUESTIONS / CONCERNS FROM THE BOARD

Mrs. Best said there was a Columbus Dispatch article regarding absenteeism in the Sunday paper and was wondering what our district absentee rate was. Assistant Superintendent Randy Banks responded said that our district's attendance rates were comparable to other schools in the article. Mr. Banks said the reporter used data from 2015/2016 and that for TWHS the attendance rate was 93.6%, WKHS was 94.4% and all other schools in the district were above 95%.

However, Mr. Banks said that the article was also talking about 2016/2017 chronic absenteeism and truancy and that this is a different measurement. Mr. Banks explained that the new HB410 has shifted the definition of chronically truant to hours and that students don't have to miss a full day of school to meet that definition. Mr. Banks said the state has shifted from schools needing a 95% attendance rate to now let's look closely to students missing school, why are they missing school, and how much are they missing; adding that school districts are expected to implement a plan to address chronic absenteeism and truancy.

Mrs. Best asked if chronic truancy is a problem in the district and Mr. Banks responded that if you look at the state's new definition of being absent without excuse for more than 30 hours, then yes, it's going to be difficult for a student to not be truant. Mr. Banks provided further data to the board and Mrs. Best thanked him.

17-135 Mrs. Keegan moved the adoption of a resolution whereby the Board move into executive session as permitted under Section 121.22 (G) of the *Ohio Revised Code*, specifically:

- (1) For the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, and/or the compensation of a public employee or official.

Mr. Shim seconded the motion

Roll Call:

Ayes

Mrs. Keegan, Mr. Schare, Mr. Shim, Mr. Wilson, Mrs. Best

Nays

None

Motion passed.

The Board went into executive session at 9:08 p.m.

Mrs. Best reconvened the meeting at 11:20 p.m.

17-136 Mr. Shim moved for adjournment, there being no further business to come before the Board. Mrs. Keegan seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes

Mr. Schare, Mr. Shim, Mr. Wilson, Mrs. Best, Mrs. Keegan

Nays

None

Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:21 p.m.

Portions of the meeting described in these minutes are recorded on a digital device, posted to the district's website, and available for inspection in the office of the Treasurer of the school district during regular business hours.

Approved: _____ President

Approved: _____ Treasurer