

James A. Garfield Local School District Organizational Meeting -January 12, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 6:28 p.m.

President Pro-Tempore, Deral White, called the meeting to order at 6:28 p.m.

President Pro-Tempore, Deral White, led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pro-Tempore, Deral White, asked for a moment of silence to recognize the great country we live in. After traveling abroad recently, it really makes you appreciate the United States and the men and women who serve to protect it.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Gary Foy, David Vincent and Deral White.

Also present was the Superintendent, Treasurer and Emma Dean

23-01 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for January 12, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. White declared the motion passed

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

No visitors asked to be recognized

Educational Excellence

23-02 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize CORE Value recipients:

Christina Schaefer – Loyalty

Taylor Smith – Loyalty

Makayla Wuestefeld, Jaelyn Brown, Holden Kissell, Seth Runewicz, Carter Hoover, Richard Shackelford, Whinrey Brown, Marshall Dahlen - Creativity

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. White declared the motion passed

Organizational Items

Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to nominate Guy Pietra for President of the James A. Garfield Board of Education for calendar year 2023

Vote confirming Guy Pietra as President for 2023

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. White declared the motion passed

Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to nominate David Vincent for Vice-President of the James A. Garfield Board of Education for calendar year 2023

Vote confirming David Vincent as Vice-President for 2023

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-03 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to set the regular monthly meetings: time, day and place
The James A. Garfield Local School District has set the regular monthly board meetings for Calendar Year 2023 for the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Thursday, March 9, 2023

Thursday, April 13, 2023

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Thursday, June 8, 2023

Thursday, July 13, 2023

Thursday, August 10, 2023

Thursday, September 14, 2023

Thursday, October 12, 2023

Thursday, November 9, 2023

Thursday, December 14, 2023

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-04 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following organizational items as listed:

* Establish a Service Fund for board members and appropriate \$7,500 for this purpose

* Approve bond in the amount of \$50,000 for the Treasurer

* Authorize the Treasurer to invest interim inactive funds at the most productive interest rate whenever funds are available and payable to the school district during the 2023 year and through the organizational meeting in 2024

* Authorize the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriations resolution as bills are received and when the merchandise is received in good and usable condition during the 2023 calendar year and through the organizational meeting in 2024

* Authorize the Treasurer to secure advances from the County Auditor when funds are available and payable to the school district

* Approve the use of single signature checks of the General Account and payroll clearing accounts through the organizational meeting of 2024

* Authorize the Superintendent to act as Purchasing Agent for the school district through the organizational meeting of 2024

* Authorize the Superintendent to employ such personnel as is needed for emergency situations and authorize payment for work done, at existing rates, if not approved by the Board

* Authorize the use of Reitz, Paul & Shorr; Squire, Sanders & Dempsey, and Pepple & Waggoner as legal counsel

* Authorize the Treasurer to make all necessary modifications within budget accounts to clear the deficit balances; such modifications will be presented for approval by the Board at the next regular meeting.

* Authorize the Treasurer to make advances from the General Fund

* Authorize the Superintendent to suspend non-teaching and teaching personnel; provided such suspensions

comply with procedures as provided by Ohio law and such suspensions are presented for approval by the Board at the next regular meeting

* Dispense with reading the minutes at each meeting if they are provided to Board members prior to the meeting at which they will be considered

* Approve the Record-Courier as the official newspaper of general circulation for legal notices

* Confirm the existing policies of the James A. Garfield Board of Education are in effect for the 2023 calendar year and through the organizational meeting of 2024

* Authorize continued membership in the Portage Area Schools Council of Governments Health Insurance Consortium

* Appoint the Superintendent to serve as a trustee on the Portage Area Schools Consortium to represent the James A. Garfield School District and appoint the Treasurer to act as an alternate

* Approve mailing Board meeting notices to those who submit stamped, self-addressed envelopes, except the Record-Courier and The Villager; those to be sent by email.

* Approve NEOLA's continuing update service of policies for 2023 at an annual fee of \$3,000 (estimate).

* Authorize the Superintendent and Treasurer to submit proposals, establish fiscal accounts, receive, appropriate, and transfer funds, and begin program operations for grants and programs.

* Authorize the Superintendent to advertise for bids and to sell property when needed

* Approve the Minimal Essential Coverage (MEC) Health Insurance Plan to comply with the Affordable Care Act, effective 1/1/2014

* Approve resolution authorizing payment of expenses incurred for school related activities:
WHEREAS, the James A. Garfield Board of Education desires to recognize outstanding service and/or in-service as a benefit to this school district, and
WHEREAS, the James A. Garfield Board of Education feels it is necessary and desirable to maintain and to promote a positive public image of this school district, and
WHEREAS, the James A. Garfield Board of Education believes that use of coffee, meals, refreshments and other amenities furthers its public purpose and function by giving recognition to those persons who make worthy contributions internally or who can promote a positive image externally, and
WHEREAS, Ohio Attorney General Opinions #81-052 and #82-006 speak to the permissive nature of such expenditures of public funds,
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the James A. Garfield Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to approve and the Treasurer to make such payments within the annual budget set by the Board

* Approve donating one family athletic pass to the Garfield All Sports Booster Club, to be raffled

* Approve participation in the Corporate Health Testing consortium in 2023 for random testing for CDL and off campus drivers of district vehicles

* Authorize the superintendent to modify, amend, or supplement Ohio Schools Council Policy 1.1 Section 10 Agreement, Policy 1.3 Section 11 Bylaws, and any other Agreements requiring Ohio Schools Council Assembly approval. These modifications, amendments, and supplements may occur at any regular or special meeting of the Ohio Schools Council Assembly at which a quorum is present. Approval of a modification, amendment or supplement requires a simple majority vote of the quorum.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-05 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to let stand current appointees/committees:

Deral White – Legislative Liaison

Patricia Brett – Student Achievement Liaison

David Vincent – Liaison to Garrettsville Village Council/Township Councils

Guy Pietra & Gary Foy (Deral White, alternate) – superintendent's committee for OAPSE Labor Management

Guy Pietra & Patricia Brett (Deral White, alternate) – superintendent's committee for Labor and Negotiations

Gary Foy & Deral White – superintendent's committee for Athletic Task Force

Guy Pietra & David Vincent – superintendent's committee for Policy Review

Gary Foy & Guy Pietra – superintendent's committee for Finance

Deral White – Transportation Liaison

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-06 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations, A-F

- A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of December 8, 2022
- B. Approve the financial reports for December 2022
- C. Accept donations: Donation to Autism Speaks by Sendero Therapies in honor of the James A. Garfield Schools Special Education Service Department; Lakeside Sand & Gravel \$943.62 to retrofit District AEDS with new batteries/pads
- D. Approve a contract with Reitz, Paul & Shorr for legal services; two-year contractual agreement for \$300.00 per hour in CY 2023 and \$325.00 per hour in CY 2024
- E. Approve the change orders with Beaver Constructors (Change Order 4 & 5)
- F. Approve extending the Georgia Lee Alford Scholarship for Nolan Wysong for two years; it will now expire in June, 2025

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-07 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to approve the following adjustment to permanent appropriations for 2022/2023 school year.

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| FY 2023 | PERMANENT |
| FUND CLASSIFICATION | APPROPRIATION |
| FUND NAME | REQUEST |
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| General Fund | 15,251,781.87 |
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| Special Revenue | |
| 007 Special Trust | 54,967.33 |
| 018 Public Support | 38,885.00 |
| 019 Other Grant | 28,221.69 |
| 031 Underground Storage | - |
| 200 Student Activities | 122,790.00 |
| 300 District Managed Act | 158,002.60 |
| 451 Network Connectivity | 5,400.00 |
| 467 Student Wellness Funds | 237,924.72 |
| 499 Other State Grants | 15,000.00 |
| 507 CARES Funding | 553,452.48 |

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| 510 Coronavirus Relief Funds | |
| 516 Title VI-B | 311,026.74 |
| 572 Title I-TA | 184,801.72 |
| 584 TITLE V-A | 15,952.92 |
| 587 Preschool | 15,993.19 |
| 590 Title II-A | 29,076.97 |
| 599 Misc Fed Revenue | 232,333.74 |
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| Debt Service | |
| 002 Bond Retirement-Building | 427,479.00 |
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| 004 Capital Projects | 3,890,000.00 |
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| Enterprise | |
| 006 Lunchroom | 644,791.08 |
| 009 Uniform Supplies | 78,870.10 |
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| Fiduciary | |
| 022 District Agency | 1,407,937.21 |
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| | 23,704,688.36 |

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-08 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the following budget reserve resolution:
A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A BOARD PRACTICE IN THE INTEREST OF SOUND FISCAL MANAGEMENT TO MAINTAIN A GENERAL FUND CASH BALANCE EQUIVALENT TO 10% OF THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR GENERAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES

WHEREAS, the Board declares the interest of sound fiscal management to maintain a General Fund cash balance equivalent to at least 10% of the prior year general fund operating expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes this practice is both prudent and sound fiscal management in the current environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the James A. Garfield Board of Education, Portage County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. The Board hereby affirms and declares it to be a financial philosophy of the Board and in the interest of sound fiscal management that the District's finances be managed to ensure a General Fund cash balance equivalent to at least 10% of the prior fiscal year general fund operating expenses.

Section 2. Promptly upon receiving any indication that such a cash balance may not be achieved at any point within the rolling Five Year Forecast period, the Treasurer shall report such a finding to the Board, along with proposed financial options that the Board may consider.

Section 3. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of the Board of Education concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of the Board that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, when required by law, in full compliance with all legal requirements.

[Budget Reserve Calculation](#)

[FY 2022 Line 4.50 Total Expenses- \\$14,199,202](#)

10%- \$1,419,920

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-09 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to approve the Tax Budget as follows:

WHEREAS school districts must adopt an annual budget for the coming school year (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024) by or about January 15, 2023; and

WHEREAS the county budget commission has no authority to either increase or reduce the rate of any voter approved tax levy, although it does have authority and duty to adjust the amounts required from general property tax to conform to the needs demonstrated by the budget (ORC 5705.31 and 5705.341; Baker's Text, Section 5.04); and

WHEREAS such budget is more of an administrative exercise than of revenue generating significance, in that the January budget is commonly referred to as the asking for budget (vs. the July appropriations measure which actually deals with expected funds); and

WHEREAS the asking for budget document is available to the public to review in the Treasurer's office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the budget is approved as presented; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED under the provisions of ORC 5705.30, the Treasurer shall deliver a copy of the approved budget on the prescribed form to the County Auditor on or before 1/20/23.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-10 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize organizations of support: the following affiliated student/parent support groups as their existence is for the sole purpose of supporting the students of the James A. Garfield Local School District; organizations included are: James A. Garfield All Sports Boosters, James A. Garfield Band Boosters, James A. Garfield P.T.O., James A. Garfield Middle School Volunteer Parents (MVP's)

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Ohio Revised Code 3313.814 requires school districts to set standards for all food and beverages sold to students during the school day and to report annually to the Board of Education on compliance. James A. Garfield Local is compliant with the policy adopted by the Board of Education; all foods sold meet the requirements of ORC 3313.814.

23-11 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to approve a contract with Vasco Sports Contractors, c/o Beaver Constructors Design Build; contract for track area per the specified combo bid

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-12 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to approve adjustment to estimated resources and permanent appropriations for Fund 004 Building Improvements- + \$350,000

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-13 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by G. Pietra to accept an anonymous donation of \$100.00 to student meal account

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-14 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the ESC of Northeast Ohio Primary Service Agreement for 23/24 and 24/25.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-15 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: A-F

- A. Grant a personal service contract to Jacob Roborecki as M.S. Wrestling Coach for 2022/23 (Step 1 – \$3130.00)
- B. Hire Patricia Willis as a substitute lunchroom aide for 2022/23
- C. Approve Laeyla Stier and Marical Ulrich as open enrollment students; they recently moved out of the Garfield District
- D. Accept the resignation of tutor Gina Tempelis; effective 1/4/2023
- E. Hire Michelle Wilfong as a substitute bus driver for 2022/23
- F. Hire Peter Loverink as a substitute teacher for 2022/23

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Distribution of the high school curriculum guide for 2023/24 for board review.

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting - February 9, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

President, Guy Pietra, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

President Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pietra asked for a moment of silence for the safe health of all JAG alumni.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Gary Foy and David Vincent. Patricia Brett & Deral White were not present.

Also present was the Superintendent, Treasurer, Staff, Students, Staff and Community Members.

23-16 Moved by D. Vincent seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for February 9, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra dispensed with the President's report.

Mrs. Brett was not present for the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White was not present for the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

Mrs. Cupples introduced her student teacher Dionna Pinson. Dionna was welcomed to JAG by the Board of Education.

Board Business

23-17 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to grant a personal service contract to Colin Lysiak to serve as a H.S. assistant track coach for 2022/23 (Step 1 - \$3,130.00)

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Educational Excellence

23-18 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize CORE Value recipients:

Mykola Fedorchuk – Responsibility

Mauricio Miller – Responsibility

Chelsi Phelps – Responsibility

Caroline Crow - Engagement

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-19 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize the JAG Academy; teacher Sherry Gaj and student Lilleann Shackelford

Discussion of the program's first year and success with the students enrolled.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-20 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-F**

- A.** Approve the minutes of the organizational and regular board meeting on January 12, 2023
- B.** Approve monthly reports for January, 2023
- C.** Approve the student activity budget revision for Middle School Student Council.
- D.** Approve the student activity budget for Middle School Yearbook; this is a new student activity account.
- E.** Accept the American Express rebate payment from September 2022 through November 2022, \$289.98.
- F.** Approve a contract with LearnWell; \$45.00 per hour for inpatient education services

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-21 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve treasurer's recommendations: **A-D**

- A.** Accept donations: H. Jean Farley donation of \$300.00 to the school meal program to offset student debt; anonymous donation of \$240.00 to a student meal account
- B.** Accept the extended learning funds through the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio- \$6,851.71 in FY 23; comparable amount expected in FY 24
- C.** Approve the preschool tuition cost of \$205 per month (\$1,845.00 for the year) for the 2023/2024 school year
- D.** Approve a certificate of availability: Purchase Order 63348; Vendor-Sugarbush Golf Course; P.O. Date 1/9/23; Invoice Date 12/16/22; Total Amount \$3,040; Purpose Golf Team

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-22 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to approve resolution to accept tax rates:

WHEREAS, this Board of Education in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing July 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Commission of Portage County, Ohio has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the county auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within, the ten mill tax limitation; THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the James A. Garfield Local School District, Portage County, Ohio that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said school district the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-23 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-J**

- A.** Hire Andrew Pemberton as a substitute teacher for 2022/23
- B.** Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2022/23:
 - Mike Paes – Head Baseball Coach, 2-year contract (Step 9 - \$4538.50)
 - Jim Pflieger – HS Head Girls Track Coach (Step 12 - \$4538.50)
 - Lisa Porter – MS Boys Track Coach (Step 2 - \$3130.00)
 - Caroline Crow – MS Girls Track Coach (Step 2 - \$3130.00)
 - Kelliann Collins – HS Assistant Track Coach (Step 3 - \$3255.20)
 - Katie Synnestvedt – HS Assistant Softball Coach (Step 1 - \$3130.00)
- C.** Approve payment in lieu of transportation to Bio-Med for Finn Collins as transportation by the James A. Garfield School District would be impractical due to the cost of providing transportation, no similar services

provided to other eligible students, and disruption of current transportation schedules. The Collins' family just recently moved into the JAG School District.

D. Approve Carter Kingery, Chance Metheny and Chase Metheny as open enrollment students for the balance of the 22/23 year; they recently moved out of the Garfield District

E. Approve Renee Chlysta as a volunteer to work with the track program

F. Approve an overnight field trip by the Quiz Bowl Team to Glasgow, KY for the Jesse Brown Academic Challenge, January 27-29, 2023

G. Hire Ed Frato-Sweeney as a permanent substitute teacher for the 2022/23 school year; effective 1/30/2023

H. Grant 1-year classified contracts for 2022/23:

Alexis LeValley, effective 1/31/2023, custodian

Rocco Nicolo, effective 3/27/2023, ~~assistant mechanic~~ and bus driver

I. Approve changing the date of graduation from May 26 to May 27, 2023 at 7:00 pm

J. Approve Opportunity Pay for 2022/23:

Peggy Cozad – JAG General Manager - \$782.50

Andy Olesky – RAK Club (Random Acts of Kindness) - \$391.25

Peggy Shay – Girls Who Code - \$391.25

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-24 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to approve the 2023/24 H.S. Curriculum Guide

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-25 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to approve the following students for graduation on May 27, 2023 provided they meet all local and state requirements:

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| Hunter Andel | Mikayla Heeter | Jacob Reese |
| Amy Auth | Jared Honrine | Rebecca Riebe |
| Alivia Babuka | Grayson Hoover | Amanda Riffle |
| Gabrielle Barnard | Blake Horvath | Matthew Robinson |
| Emma Bass | Ciera Hoy | Allie Runewicz |
| Carter Bates | Taylor Hrabak | Madison Rushnok |
| Marissa Bazil | Ian Hunt | Kayla Sabatino |
| Natalie Beal | Haley Ihrig | Kyle Schaefer |
| Kaitlin Belknap | Evan Janic | Megan Schaefer |
| Tyler Bortz | Clarise Janke | Magdalena Shafer |
| Mia Cain | Dylan Justice | Sofia Sheer |
| Kristopher Carson | Nevaeh Kempf | Madeline Shirkey |
| Cameron Clemens | MaryBeth Kindlesparker | Peyton Sledz |
| Abby Collopy | Mitchell Kiviniemi | Austin Smith |
| Alexander Cooper | Liberty Klatik | Jackson Sommer |
| Ashley Corning | Faith Knispel | Joseph Sparks |
| Landyn Cox | Noah Krimmer | Christian Stanley |
| Katarina Crawley | Kloe Kristoff | Brian Stavis |
| Grace Dahlen | Kadence Ludwig | Gary Stefko |
| Valerie Doumanian | Amy Mangeri | Aubrey Stonestreet |
| Karissa Eaton | Tyler Masga | Riley Swigonski |
| Cameron Edwards | Kesley Massey | Ethan Tarnowski |
| Daniel Ensinger | Maxwell May | Austin Thompson |
| Rachel Evans | Laura McCoy | Kaitlynn Thompson |
| Anna Fashing | Shawna McGregor | Robert Torres |
| Eleanora Fedor | Dezaray Mcle | Nora Trent |
| Rene Fenshaw | Xavier McNulty | Nathaniel Veccia |
| Maggie Fogel | Liam Mielcarek | Elijah Voshel |
| Hayley Gadowski | Madison Moncoveish | Hannah Warren |
| Benjamin Garlich | Molly Morrissey | Alyssa Welch |
| Tyler Goodrich | Sierra Nerby | Andrew Wem |
| Kylie Gorby | Trenton Noland | Laura Whan |

Jesse Grace
Vincent Grandizio
Seth Grcar
Thomas Gushura
Kyndall Hahn
Bryce Hayden

Rebecca Nottingham
McKayla Peterson
Cierra Porter
Natalina Porter
Isaac Prunty
Jack Rado

Dominic White
Marissa White
Owen Wolff
Kiley Wright
Daisy Yearyeon

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-26 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to hire Jennifer Richards as a substitute custodian for 2022/23.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-27 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by G. Pietra to approve the Preschool Calendar for 2023/24

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

2023-2024 Preschool Calendar

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 23-25 No School for Students
 28 First Day for Students 1-12
 29 Preschool Orientation
 31 First Day for all Preschool students

SEPTEMBER
 4 Labor Day - No School
 15 Preschool No School
 22 Preschool No School / Screening

OCTOBER
 13 NEEEA Day - No School
 27 Preschool No School
 End Quarter 1

NOVEMBER
 Preschool No School
 Thanksgiving Break - No School
 Conference Day Credit - No School

DECEMBER
 8 Preschool No School
 21 Teacher Inservice Day (No school for students)
 22-29 Winter Break - No School

JANUARY
 1-2 Winter Break - No School
 11 End of Quarter 2
 12 Teacher Inservice Day (No school for students)
 15 M.L. King Day - No School
 26 Preschool No School

FEBRUARY
 9 Preschool No School
 19 Presidents' Day - No School

MARCH
 8 Preschool No School
 22 Preschool No School / Screening
 22 End of Quarter 3
 25 Conference Day Credit
 26-29 Spring Break

APRIL
 19 Preschool No School

MAY
 10 Preschool No School
 24 Teacher Inservice Day (No school for students)
 24 Graduation
 27 Memorial Day - No School
 30 Last Day for students
 31 Last Teacher Day

161 Student Days

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James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting - March 8, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klamer Professional Development Center for the rescheduled regular meeting at 5:00 p.m.

President, Guy Pietra, called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

President Pietra dispensed with the Pledge and moment of silence.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, David Vincent and Deral White

Also present was the Superintendent, Treasurer, Administrative staff.

23-28 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. White to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for March 8, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra gave the President's report.

Mrs. Brett gave the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White gave the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

No visitors asked to be recognized.

Educational Excellence

23-29 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to recognize CORE Value recipients:

Revan Perkins, Dakota Stanley, Kim Bowers, Hunter Anderson, Gavin Mason, MaryBeth Kindlesparker, Samantha Whitlow, and Leonard Richards – Integrity

Chelsi Phelps – Teamwork

Missy Petrie – Teamwork

Noah Molle - Responsibility

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-30 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-E**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting on February 9, 2023

B. Approve monthly reports for February, 2023

C. Accept the smoothie grant from the American Dairy Association; 2 industrial immersion blenders and containers for smoothies.

D. Approve the amendment to the contract with the Educational Service Center of Eastern Ohio; amended from up to 25 days to up to 45 days of preschool evaluation services.

E. Accept the establishment of the Class of 1973 Scholarship (007 9018); \$1,000 Scholarship to a 2023 graduate under the following requirements:

JAG Class of 1973 50th Reunion Scholarship

50 years ago, in 1973, a class of hopeful graduates left James A. Garfield to pursue their dreams. This year we will celebrate our 50-year class reunion! In honor of this special event the JAG Class of 1973 wants to offer a scholarship to a 2023 graduate of James A. Garfield High School.

This \$1,000.00 scholarship will be awarded to a James A. Garfield senior who plans to pursue career training at an accredited trade or technical school or attend an institution of higher education. Money may be used for books, fees, or tuition.

This is a nonrenewable scholarship for the 2023–2024 school year.

The decision of the JAG Reunion Scholarship Committee is final and will be based on the following criteria:

- GPA 2.5 or higher
- Please include a copy of your transcript
- School and community activities
- An essay of 1,000 words maximum

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-31 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the transfer of \$17,960.79 Flex Account (022 9001) balance of the 2021/2022 plan year to the General Fund (001)

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-32 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by G. Pietra to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-F**

A. Approve James Dehart, Charity Bartlam and Isabelle Bartlam as open enrollment students for the balance of the 22/23 year; they recently moved out of the Garfield District

B. Approve continued membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for 2023/24

C. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2022/23:

Hayden Nichols – MS Assistant Track Coach (Step 3 - \$2,034.50)

Scott Eberly – HS Assistant Baseball Co-Coach (Step 2 - \$1,565.00)

Kyle Workman – HS Assistant Baseball Co-Coach (Step 1 - \$1,565.00)

D. Approve a three-day early release for seniors; their last day will be May 26, 2023

E. Accept the resignation of counselor Stephanie Damron for the 2023/24 school year; she had been on an unpaid leave of absence

F. Hire Trenton Page as a substitute custodian for 2022/23

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-33 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to approve, per Senate Bill 216, the use of paper tests for the 2023/24 school year for the administration of the third grade assessments in English language arts and mathematics, for both the Ohio State Test and Ohio's Alternative Assessment for Students with Cognitive Disabilities.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-34 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to approve the following increases to the base pay percentages of supplemental contracts, effective with the 2023/24 year:

Musical - 5% to 8%

Head Baseball - 10 to 12.5

Head Softball - 10 to 12.5

Head Boys Track - 10 to 12.5

Head Girls Track - 10 to 12.5

Head Football - 16 to 18

Head Boys Basketball - 16 to 18

Head Girls Basketball - 16 to 18

Head Wrestling - 16 to 18

Head Cross Country - 8 to 10

Assistant Band Director - 4 to 6

Assistant Varsity Football (5) - 10 to 11
Assistant Boys Basketball (2) - 10 to 11
Assistant Girls Basketball (2) - 10 to 11
Volleyball - 12 to 12.5
Soccer Boys - 12 to 12.5
Soccer Girls - 12 to 12.5
Vocal Music (2) - 2 to 2.5
IAT Coach Elementary (4) - 3 to 3.5
Junior Class Advisor - 6 to 6.5
Senior Class Advisor - 4 to 4.5
Interact Club - 4 to 4.5

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-35 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to grant a 5-year administrative contract to Thomas Bartz as M.S. Principal; effective August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2028

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-36 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by P. Brett to grant a 5-year administrative contract to Melinda Ensinger as E.S. Principal, Grades 3-6; effective August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2028

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-37 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by P. Brett to grant a 5-year administrative contract to Emery Boyle-Scott as Director of Special Education; effective August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2028

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-38 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent to approve Michael Markusic as an open enrollment student; effective April 10, 2023

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting - April 13, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klamer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Vice President, David Vincent, called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Vice President Vincet led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a moment of silence.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Gary Foy, David Vincent and Deral White
Mr. Pietra arrived at 6:37 p.m.

Also present was the Superintendent, Treasurer, Kathleen Kisabeth, Andel family

23-39 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for April 11, 202.

Ayes: Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra was not present for the President's report.

Mrs. Brett was not present for the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White gave the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

No visitors asked to be recognized.

Educational Excellence

23-40 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize our first ever State Wrestling Champions – Hunter Andel, 165 lbs. and Keegan Sell, 190 lbs.

Ayes: Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

23-41 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to recognize CORE Value recipients:

Libby Frato-Sweeney – Loyalty

Matt Massey – Responsibility

Chelsi Phelps – Engagement

Jackson Seaborn - Kindness

Ayes: Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-42 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-I**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting on March 8, 2023

B. Approve monthly reports for March, 2023

C. Accept the \$500.00 Amazon Wish List grant for Girls Who Code

D. Approve payment for Board Member and Superintendent attendance at the Northeast Region OSBA Spring Conference

E. Approve payment of \$320.00 to Theo Cebulla for services provided in the pit orchestra for the spring musical, Into the Woods, 8 performances at \$40.00

F. Approve a 1-year extension of Annabelle Moore's Class of 2022 Pixley Scholarship

G. Approve the budget revision for the MS Principal's account (018-9820); decrease revenue by \$1,280 and increase expenditures by \$620.00

H. Accept donations as follows:

- JAG Band Boosters to the Spring Musical; \$400 for concession sales and \$1,871 for 50/50 raffle.
- JAG PTO to the Washington D.C. 6th Grade Class Trip; \$500.00 to offset t-shirt cost and \$400.00 participation assistance
- Edwards Family to the Media (Yearbook) account; \$100.00
- Ellerhorst Russell to the Spring Musical; \$100.00
- Donation to Spring Musical; \$10.00 for food
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I. Approve certificate of availability: PO 63645 PO Date 3/9/23, Invoice date 3/5/2023 \$3,641.94, Sedensky Truck & Trailer.

Ayes: Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

23-43 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to approve the following contracts: A-F:

A. Approve a contract with Julian & Grube for Medicaid Audit for FY 2024 and FY 2025 at a cost of \$1,700.00 per year

B. Approve a contract with ACCESS for application services for the 23/24 school year: \$32,908.80

C. Approve a contract with LLA for licensed therapist services for students attending EA for the 23/24 school year; therapist- \$78.75 per hour; assistant therapist- \$54.60 per hour.

D. Approve continued participation in the Sedgwick Ohio School Comp Group Retrospective Rating for BWC 2024 program year.

E. Approve a contract with EduTech for shared technology services for the 23/24 school year; \$84,000.

F. Approve a contract with Harbor Education, LLC for the 23/24 school year for student day treatment services at LEAP, \$155.00 per day.

Ayes: Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-44 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-I**

A. Approve the open enrollment program for 2023/24

B. Approve certified contracts for 2023/24:

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| Kayla Bergstrom – 1 year | Jacquelyn Lovelace – 5 year |
| Jamie Blakey – 3 year | Erin Maschek – 1 year tutor |
| Caroline Crow – 1 year | Matt Massey – 5 year |
| Riley Dearth – 1 year | Sean McDowell – 3 year |
| Beth Drebus – 1 year | Emily Paes – 5 year |
| Allison Ester – 1 year | Kelly Palmer – 1 year |
| Rebecca Foss – 3 year | Chelsi Phelps – continuing |
| Kristine Gilmer – 5 year | Peggy Shay – continuing |
| Elise Gintert – 1 year tutor | Ruth Spanos – 3 year |
| Leane Hall – 3 year | Catherine Stock – 1 year |
| Terra Hill – 1 year tutor | Sarah Tsironis – 1 year |
| Jeff Livingston – 1 year | Alisa Westover – 1 year |
| Joel Logan – 3 year | Judith Zala – 1 year tutor |
| Zachary Longanecker – 3 year | |

C. Approve classified contracts for 2023/24; all are 2-year contracts:

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| Mackenzie Chitwood - custodian | Angela Johnson – clerk |
| Ben Coll – clerk | Alexis LeValley – custodian |
| Kathy DiRosa – custodian | Nicole Lohr – clerk |
| Christopher Hausch – custodian | Haley Michael – custodian |
| Kristiana Hilger – lunchroom aide | Nate Mills – maintenance |
| Patricia Hindman – bus driver | Stacy Nottingham - clerk |
| Betty Hoffstetter – van driver | Kim Polifrone – bus driver |
| Debi Holbrook – custodian | Kathy Howerton – dietary aide |

D. Approve supplemental/personal service contracts for 2023/24:

Art Club – Libby Frato-Sweeney (Step 24, \$1869.87)
Athletic Manager/Fall – Matt Pfleger (Step 3, \$4191.10)
Athletic Manager/Spring – Matt Pfleger (Step 3, \$4191.10)
Band Director – Theo Cebulla (Step 19, \$3739.7)
Band Director, Summer – Theo Cebulla (Step 19, \$4207.21)
Boys' Basketball, HS Head – Andy Olesky, 2-year contract (Step 13, \$8414.43)
Boys' Basketball Summer Fitness – Andy Olesky, 2-year contract (Step 13, \$934.94)
Boys' Basketball HS Asst. – Tom Bissler (Step 6, \$4787.52); Matt Hill (Step 4, \$4610.21)
Girls' Basketball, HS Head – Aaron Gilbert, 2-year contract (Step 20, \$8414.43)
Girls' Basketball Summer Fitness – Aaron Gilbert, 2-year contract (Step 20, \$934.94)
Girls' Basketball HS Asst. – Andy Cardinal (Step 8, \$4964.84)
Beta Club MS – Kristine Gilmer (Step 9, \$1869.87)
Bowling Head – Howard Moore (Step 23, \$2804.81)
Bowling Asst. – Joe Brigham (Step 22, \$2337.34)
Camp Fitch Co-Advisors – Diana Kelly and Peggy Shay (Step 4, \$419.11 each)
Cheerleading HS – Jessica Early (Step 5, \$3481.83)
Cheerleading HS Assistant (JV) – Jessica Early (Step 5, \$1740.92)
Computer Tech HS – Missy Petrie (Step 3, \$1676.44)
Computer Tech MS – Nicole Giammo (Step 3, \$1676.44)
Computer Tech ES, 4-6 – Peggy Shay (Step 15, \$1869.87)
Computer Tech ES, K-3 – Heather Brosius (Step 5, \$1740.92)
Cross Country HS – Matt Pfleger, 2-year contract (Step 3, \$4191.10)
~~Cross Country MS – Lisa Porter (Step 2, \$2014.95)~~
Drama Production HS – Jackie Lovelace (Step 5 - \$2176.15)
Drama Production MS – Jackie Lovelace (Step 5, \$2176.15)
Drama Production Musical – Joel Logan (Step 8, \$3610.79)
Football HS Head – Mike Moser, 2-year contract (Step 11, \$8414.43)
Football Summer Fitness – Mike Moser, 2-year contract (Step 11, \$1869.87)
Football Summer Fitness Asst – Jarrod Lewis (Step 4, \$838.22)
Football HS Asst. – Mike Paes (Step 15, \$5142.15); Howie Moore (Step 6, \$4787.52); Eric Cardinal (Step 5, \$4787.52); Jarrod Lewis (Step 5, \$4787.52); Randy Ward (Step 9, \$2571.08) and Mike Finney (Step 2, \$2216.45) – split contract Ward/Finney
Football MS – Matt Massey (Step 15, \$3739.75); Hayden Nichols (Step 6, \$3481.83); Randy Cutlip (Step 2, \$3223.92)
Freshmen Class Advisor – Randy Cutlip (Step 7, \$1354.05)
Golf Coach Boys' – Doug Engelhart, 2-year contract (Step 3, \$3352.88)
IAT Coach – Jessica Early (Step 4, \$1466.88); Heather Brosius (Step 2, \$1410.47)
Interact Club – Missy Petrie (Step 16, \$2103.61)
Junior Class Co-Advisors – Frances Bell and Libby Frato-Sweeney (Step 13, \$1519.27 each)
LPDC Chairperson – Peggy Shay (Step 7, \$2708.09)
LPDC Members – Missy Petrie (Step 10, \$1402.41); Vanessa Bauer (Step 7, \$1354.05); Kathleen Kisabeth (Step 6, \$1305.69); Rachelle Craine (Step 2, \$1208.97)
Math Tournament Coordinator – Kristina Cupples (Step 20, \$1402.41)
Math Coach – Diana Kelly, 5th (Step 21, \$934.94); Sean McDowell, 6th (Step 6, \$870.46); Vanessa Bauer, 7th (Step 6, \$870.46); Lori Morgan, 8th (Step 23, \$934.94)
National Honor Society – Doug Engelhart (Step 4, \$1676.44)
Niagara Falls Trip – Lori Morgan (Step 15, \$934.94)
Pep Club – Jessica Early (Step 3, \$1676.44)

Quiz Bowl – Iva Walker (Step 15, \$1869.87)
Soccer Coach Boys’ – Mike Coney (Step 15, \$5843.36)
Soccer Boys’ Summer Fitness – Mike Coney (Step 15, \$934.94)
Soccer Coach Girls’ – Aaron Gilbert, 2-year contract (Step 7, \$5641.86)
Soccer Girls’ Summer Fitness – Aaron Gilbert, 2-year contract (Step 7, \$902.70)
Sophomore Class – Frances Bell (Step 9, \$1402.41)
Student Council HS – Frances Bell (Step 15, \$1869.87)
Student Council MS – Jackie Lovelace (Step 3, \$1676.44)
Student Leadership ES – Jennifer Ring (Step 2, \$805.98)
United Nations Club – Jake Der (Step 13, \$1869.87)
Vocal Music ES – Joel Logan (Step 9, \$1168.67)
Vocal Music HS – Joel Logan (Step 9, \$1168.67)
Volleyball HS Head – Alison Korosec (Step 7, \$5641.86)
Volleyball Summer Fitness – Alison Korosec (Step 5, \$870.46)
Volleyball HS Asst. – Becky Van Kirk (Step 5, \$4352.29)
Washington DC Trip Co-Advisors – Beth Drebus and Terra Hill (Step 2, \$402.99 each)
Weightlifting – Mike Moser, 2-year contract (Step 13, \$1869.87)
Wrestling HS – Dan Andel (Step 5, \$7834.13)
Wrestling Summer Fitness – Dan Andel (Step 5, \$870.46)
Yearbook MS – Kristine Gilmer (Step 20, \$934.94)

E. Accept the resignation of Andy Olesky as girls’ golf coach for 2023/24

F. Approve awarding the Georgia Lee Alford Scholarship to the top ten in the Class of 2023: Hunter Andel, Kristopher Carson, Cameron Edwards, Kyndall Hahn, Max May, Molly Morrissey, Jack Rado, Madeline Shirkey, Aubrey Stonestreet, Madelyn Stonestreet; amount to be determined

G. Approve Ilyanah and Lailyn Stevens and Rosalie Short as open enrollment students for the balance of 2022/23

H. Hire Patricia Willis as a substitute secretary/clerk for 2022/23

I. Hire student summer workers for 2023; pay will be \$12.00 per hour: Eric Geddes, Aidan Hill, Michael Huebner

Ayes: Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

23-45 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Kathy Herman, Executive Secretary/EMIS Coordinator; effective August 1, 2023

Ayes: Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

23-46 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to approve requesting a waiver from the Ohio Department of Education to not provide career-technical courses to our Middle School students, grades 7 and 8, for the 2023/24 school year

Ayes: Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

23-47 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve a reduction in staff and suspend the contract of tutor Anne Miller for 2023/24 as our federal allocation of Title I funds is unknown at this time.

Ayes: Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

23-48 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: A-B

A. Approve Opportunity Pay for Peggy Cozad for IAT tutoring for 2022/23; not to exceed \$400.00

B. Approve Cree Welch as an open enrollment student for the balance of the 2022/23 year; she recently moved out of the Garfield District

Ayes: Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

**James A. Garfield Local School District
Regular Meeting - May 11, 2023**

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

President, Guy Pietra, called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Harry & MaryAnn Kotkowski led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pietra asked for a moment of silence for those affected by school violence.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, David Vincen and Deral White.

Also present was the Superintendent, Treasurer, Kathleen Kisabeth, Paul Bass, Kotkowski family, Michelle Kehoe, Ahrens family

23-49 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for May 11, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra dispensed with the President's report.

Mrs. Brett gave the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White gave the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

Paul Bass addressed the Board in regard to the exchange student he is sponsoring. The Superintendent shared the request is on the May 11 agenda for approval. He also expressed concern about the number of senior skip days this year. The Superintendent will address his concerns.

Educational Excellence

Superintendent Lysiak shared the long Garfield relationship with the Poole family for nursing services and how Susan Poole's resignation last year led the District to contract with Akron Children's Hospital for school services. The two individuals assigned to JAG are Cheryl Kotkowski, Registered Nurse and Michelle Kehoe, Medical Assistant. It has been a very successful venture and we look forward to continuing the partnership for many years to come. Cheryl Kotkowski presented a powerpoint on annual statistics.

23-50 Moved by D. Vincent, second by P. Brett to recognize Cheryl Kotkowski, Registered Nurse and Michelle Kehoe, Medical Assistant for their wonderful nursing care of our students during the 2022/23 school year

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-51 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. White to recognize CORE Value recipients:

Kristin Brahler – Engagement

Erin Law – Engagement and Teamwork

Bethany Maresh – Engagement and Kindness

Mark Rado – Creativity
Nate Mills – Engagement
Gabe West - Engagement

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-52 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize CORE Value recipients:

Dawson Carter- Engagement

Una Fisher- Kindness

Chris Schaefer- Kindness

Kathleen Kisabeth- Kindness

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-53 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-L**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting on April 13, 2023

B. Approve monthly reports for April, 2023

C. Approve book sale profit sharing agreement with Thriftbooks.com

D. Accept the School Specialty through the Association of Educational Purchasing Agencies (AEPA) 2022 Rebate, \$153.67

E. Accept the Class of 2023 Senior Intent Form for remaining funds in the class account.

F. Approve payment upon receipt of the student teacher stipend from Hiram College for the Spring 2023 semester: Kristina Cupples- \$175.00

G. Approve a contract with the Educational Service Center of Eastern Ohio for School Psychology service at a daily rate plus 5% administrative fee. The contract includes 25 days of preschool evaluations and 150 days of general school psychology

H. Approve the May 2023 five year forecast update.

I. Approve revision to permanent appropriations for 22/23 school year.

J. Accept donations through ShowTix4U for the Spring Musical, totaling \$206.48.

K. Accept the Georgia Lee Alford Scholarship amount for the top 10 seniors for the Class of 2023, \$2,288.00 each.

L. Modify payment upon receipt of the student teacher stipend from Kent State University for the Fall 2022 semester: from Margaret Cozad- \$400.00 to split equally between Margaret Cozad and Jamie Blakey as noted by KSU.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-54 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the execution and delivery of a master electric energy sales agreement between the district and Power4schools endorsed electric supplies, Engie Resources, LLC

WHEREAS, the Ohio Schools Council, Ohio School Boards Association, Ohio Association of School Business Officials, and the Buckeye Association of School Administrators (the "Associations") each carries out cooperative purchase programs and promotes cooperative arrangements and agreements among its member school districts and government agencies or private persons; and

WHEREAS, the Associations collectively do business under the trade name "Power4Schools" ("P4S") for the purpose of endorsing competitive retail electric service ("CRES") providers to supply retail electric energy services to the Associations' members; and

WHEREAS, the members of, and other participating public schools associated with, the Associations desire to purchase retail electric energy services from the CRES provider that has received the endorsement of P4S, ENGIE Resources LLC ("ENGIE"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the "Board") of this School District (the "District"), as a member of one of the Associations, pursuant to this resolution desires to authorize the execution and delivery or extension by the District of a Master Electric Energy Sales Agreement and Sales Confirmation between the District and ENGIE (the "Power Sales Agreement"), pursuant to which the District, will purchase electricity generation for its school facilities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE JAMES A. GARFIELD LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, STATE OF OHIO, PORTAGE COUNTY, as follows:

Section 1. The Board authorizes and directs the Treasurer to execute and deliver, in the name of the District and on its behalf, the Power Sales Agreement, substantially in the form now on file with this Board, with any changes that are not inconsistent with this resolution and that may be acceptable to the Treasurer whose acceptance shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution of such document by the Treasurer.

Section 2. Monies adequate to pay amounts due under the Power Sales Agreement for the current fiscal year are hereby appropriated for that purpose.

Section 3. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of the Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of the Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-55 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-J**

A. Approve Student Accident Insurance for 2023/24 with the Love Insurance Agency; prices remain the same as 2022/23

B. Approve supplemental/personal service contracts for 2023/24:

IAT Coach – Kelly Palmer (Step 1, \$1410.47)

Senior Class Co-Advisors – Missy Petrie (Step 14, \$934.94) and Jeff Livingston (Step 1, \$805.98)

C. Accept the resignation of custodians Alexis LeValley, effective April 18, 2023 and custodian Sherry Musarra, effective April 27, 2023

D. Hire Gina Tempelis as a substitute teacher for the balance of 2022/23

E. Hire Traudi Kelly as a substitute secretary/clerk/aide for 2022/23

F. Hire substitute classified staff for 2023/24:

Secretary/Clerk/Aide – Traudi Kelly, Patricia Willis, Judy Workman, Laura Young

Custodian – Trenton Page, Karen Perusek

Dietary Aide – Dawn Crane, Amanda Duncan, Amanda Lawrence, Shannon Quesenberry, Bev Tubre, Karen Perusek

Maintenance - David LeClerc, Karen Perusek

G. Hire substitute teachers for 2023/24: Christine Bailey, John Bennett, Peter Biltz, Darlene Duralia, Patricia Fisher, Ed Frato-Sweeney (Permanent sub), Terra Hill, Alisha Honer, Amanda Hunt, Alison Korosec, Karen Krenzel, Rebecca Landrum (Permanent sub), Peter Loverink, Mary Nelson, Bonnie Oliver, Andrew Pemberton, Tony Strobe, Gina Tempelis, Laura Townsend, Emma Trent, Kim Turnbull, Angela Walstad, Gary White, Amber Wolff

H. Accept **Sarrah Yusuf Master** as a foreign exchange student for 2023/24; she is from India.

I. Accept the resignation of tutor Judith Zala for the 2023/24 year

J. Approve Opportunity Pay for Katie Tasker, Chelsi Phelps and Missy Petrie – FYI (Revamped), \$260.83 each

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-56 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to approve per Policy 7530.01, approve a monthly cell phone allowance of \$35.00 for the maintenance staff –

Roger Fisher and Nate Mills

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-57 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: A-C

A. Approve an unpaid leave of absence for Lisa Maynard for the 2023/24 school year for child care.

B. Approve overnight field trips for the boys' basketball team:

June 13-14 to Cedar Point for Shootout

June 19-21 to Marietta College for basketball camp.

C. Grant personal service contracts for 2023/24:

Stephanie Ewell- M.S. Cheerleading Advisor (Step 2- \$1611.96)

EmilyJo Jaeger- M.S. Cross Country Coach (Step 1- \$2014.95)

Kevin Sponaugle- Girls' Golf Coach (Step 1- \$3223.92)

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

**James A. Garfield Local School District
Records Commission Meeting – May 11, 2023**

The Records Commission of the James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Elementary Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center at 5:45 p.m. Treasurer, Tracy Knauer, called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

The following members were present: Chairman, Board President Guy V. Pietra, Superintendent, Ted A. Lysiak, and Treasurer, Tracy Knauer.

Treasurer, Tracy Knauer, was appointed to record minutes.

Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by T. Lysiak that in accordance with O.R.C. 121.22 (F), adopt the following Records Commission meeting notification rule: The Records Commission does not hold regularly scheduled meetings; all notices of meetings will be posted on the district website and provided to the local newspapers, The Weekly Villager and The Record Courier, in accordance with customary practice.

Ayes: Pietra, Lysiak, Knauer

Nays: None

Motion Passed

The committee reviewed the Records Retention Schedule (RC-2) for the James A. Garfield School District.

No adjustments were suggested.

Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by T. Lysiak to adjourn. All were in favor and the records commission meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting - June 8, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

President, Guy Pietra, called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

President Pietra dispensed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pietra asked for a moment of silence for Max May.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Gary Foy, David Vincent and Deral White. Patricia Brett arrived at 6:11 p.m.

Also present was the Superintendent, Treasurer, Board legal counsel, and the Ensinger family

23-58 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for June 8, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra dispensed with the President's report.

Mrs. Brett dispensed with the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White gave the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

The Ensinger family came in honor of Max May. Max and Daniel were close friends, hopes Max would be proud for Daniel to be #12 in class and that he received the Georgia Lee Scholarship in Max's place.

President Pietra thanked them for attending and speaking at the meeting. Superintendent Lysiak shared his thoughts that Max would be proud of Daniel and he enjoyed seeing their special friendship.

Educational Excellence

23-59 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to recognize CORE Value recipients:

Pamela Martin - Loyalty

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-60 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by P. Brett to approve the Moonshot Management Plan – Mission Statement, Vision, CORE Values, Portrait of a G-Man

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-61 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following recommendations:

A-J

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting on May 11, 2023

B. Approve monthly reports for May, 2023

C. Accept donations as follows:

Right Path Massage- two 30-minute massage gift certificates to staff- raffled to those who participated in the wellness event

\$681.29 MVP's to Beta Club

\$70.00 Anonymous to NHS

D. Approve certificate of availability: PO 62712 PO Date 7/21/22, Invoice date 8/16/22, \$15,680.00, Precious Cargo.

E. Approve a contract with the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio for Ohio Online Learning Program MOU for the 2023/2024 school year.

F. Approve the meals prices for 2023/2024, no change from last year

G. Approve the final appropriations for the 2022/2023 school year

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| FY 2023 | PERMANENT |
| FUND CLASSIFICATION | APPROPRIATION |
| FUND NAME | REQUEST |
| | |
| General Fund | 15,680,090.78 |
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| Special Revenue | |
| 007 Special Trust | 54,967.33 |
| 018 Public Support | 36,905.86 |
| 019 Other Grant | 28,471.69 |
| 031 Underground Storage | - |
| 200 Student Activities | 134,587.74 |
| 300 District Managed Act | 175,915.37 |
| 451 Network Connectivity | 5,400.00 |
| 467 Student Wellness Funds | 244,924.72 |
| 499 Other State Grants | 53,544.54 |
| 507 CARES Funding | 569,952.48 |
| 510 Coronavirus Relief Funds | |
| 516 Title VI-B | 311,026.74 |
| 572 Title I-TA | 197,817.79 |
| 584 TITLE V-A | 27,554.35 |
| 587 Preschool | 16,001.81 |
| 590 Title II-A | 29,496.94 |
| 599 Misc Fed Revenue | 233,509.56 |
| | |
| Debt Service | |
| 002 Bond Retirement-Building | 428,267.28 |
| | |
| 004 Capital Projects | 4,228,915.14 |
| | |
| Enterprise | |
| 006 Lunchroom | 644,791.08 |
| 009 Uniform Supplies | 78,870.10 |
| | |
| Fiduciary | |
| 022 District Agency | 1,488,192.63 |
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| | 24,669,203.93 |

H. Approve estimated appropriations for the 2023/2024 school year

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| FY 2024 | TEMPORARY |
| FUND CLASSIFICATION | APPROPRIATION |
| FUND NAME | REQUEST |
| | |
| General Fund | 3,500,000.00 |
| | - |
| Special Revenue | - |
| 007 Special Trust | 25,000.00 |
| 018 Public Support | 25,000.00 |
| 019 Other Grant | 7,500.00 |
| 031 Underground Storage | - |
| 200 Student Activities | 40,000.00 |
| 300 District Managed Act | 25,000.00 |
| 451 Network Connectivity | 5,400.00 |
| 467 Student Wellness Funds | 40,000.00 |
| 499 Other State Grants | 15,000.00 |
| 507 CARES Funding | 750,000.00 |
| 510 Coronavirus Relief Funds | |
| 516 Title VI-B | 65,000.00 |
| 572 Title I-TA | 56,000.00 |
| 584 TITLE V-A | |
| 587 Preschool | 3,500.00 |
| 590 Title II-A | 11,000.00 |
| 599 Misc Fed Revenue | |
| | |
| Debt Service | |
| 002 Bond Retirement-Building | 120,000.00 |
| | |
| 004 Capital Projects | 2,500,000.00 |
| | |
| Enterprise | |
| 006 Lunchroom | 300,000.00 |
| 009 Uniform Supplies | 18,000.00 |
| | |
| Fiduciary | |
| 022 District Agency | 500,000.00 |
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| | 8,006,400.00 |

I. Approve transfers from the general fund to clear negative funds balances at the end of the year.
 \$46,000 from the general fund (001) to Uniform Supply Fund (009)
 \$83,000 from the general fund (001) to Athletics Fund (300)

J. Accept the May family declination of the Georgia Lee Alford Scholarship for 2023 in the amount of \$2,288.00; approve awarding this amount to Daniel Ensinger, ranked 11th in the Class of 2023

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-62 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-C**

A. Accept the AMEX rebate of \$407.51 for expenditures from December 2022 through February 2023

B. Approve an MOU with Educational Service Center of Central Ohio for participation in the Mathematical Modeling and Reasoning Algebra 2 pilot program

C. Approve contracting with ABA Outreach Therapies for the 2023/2024 school year, \$103 per hour, 150 hours with a contracted minimum of 45 hours (30%)

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-63 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to approve property/auto/liability insurance with the Ohio School Plan with a phase in of the most recent on site appraisal by Krill-

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| | Appraisal Phase In 2 Yrs |
| OSP Property Premium | \$ 47,312.00 |
| OSP Liability Premium | \$ 7,311.00 |
| OSP Violence Premium | \$ 589.00 |
| OSP Automobile Premium | \$ 7,748.00 |
| Cyber Coverage | \$ 5,980.00 |
| Excess Crime Coverage* | \$ 3,000.00 (*estimate) |
| Pollution Premium | \$ 305.00 |
| Total Premium | \$ 72,245.00 |
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| Appraised Value | \$ 68,787,043.00 |
| | property value increase |

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-64 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations:

A-I

A. Accept the resignation of tutors Elise Gintert and Erin Maschek for 2023/24

B. Accept the resignation of Mike Coney as boys' head soccer coach for 2023/24

C. Hire Kristiana Hilger as a substitute secretary/clerk/aide for 2023/24

D. Hire substitute teachers for 2023/24: Daphne Miller, Sue Rossi

E. Approve open enrollment students for 2023/24:

Windham: Harper Alexander, Addilynn Bailey, Cameron/Keeley Baillie, Karson/Kiarra Baldwin, Jason Blewitt, Daniel/Layla Boutros, Nathan Britton, Giovanni Clautti, Lucy Collier, Athena Dewalt, Aiden/Emily Dykes, Colton Ely, Hines Estes, Abigail/Dawson Ewell, Adilyn Fabry, Caleb Fennell, Lana/Laurissa/Ryan Gabbard, Eric Geddes, Dylan Geers, Giovanni Gianakos, Audrey Gonsalves, Scarlett Goodwin,

Angelique/Kyla Grace, Orion Hardway, Jared Holbrook, Bryson Horner, Alaina Janic, Ayden Keffer, Christopher/Emily/Katlyn Knerem, Cameron Knight, Dean Krill, Elliott/Henry Krysinski, Avery Lake, Lucianne Lallathin, Alexander Macek, Gavin/Grayden Mason, Wyatt Matthews, Flint/Penelope McBride, Naomi McLeod, Chance/Chase Metheny, Addison/Molly Miller, Clayton/Keagan Moody, Kash Mullins, Nathan/Patrick Murphy, Owen Nowak, Parker Pascal, Aiden Peska, Alexis/Isabella Phillips, Henry/Mason Phillips, Luka/Xavier Pinson, Dalton Pitsinger, Ethan Potteiger, Mason Rakes, Colton Rettig, Braeden/Brogan Reynolds, Evan Ridenbaugh, Hayden Rininger, Colton Ristau, Giovanni Russo, Jade Sabatino, Kennedy Schmitz, Kelsey Sheller, Olivia Smith, Breanna Stotlzfus, Cameron Tayerle, Harper Troyer, Addison Truce, Marical Ulrich, Jace Vanek, Savannah Vilks, Gracie Vincent, Alexander/Jaxon/Kenna White

Crestwood: Sloane Arner, Ava/Benjamin Bailey, Leah/Liam/Olivia Bailey, Lillian/Parker/Trenton Beck, Ethan Bittance, Jameson/Jamie/Jayce Blakey, Gavin/Mason Bockmuller, Hallie Cebulla, James Dehart, Parker/Sadie Gill, Anna Herron, Logan Holcomb, Addison/Carter/Ryder Hoover, Lucas Hoskinson, Gracelynn/Landyn Hunsicker, Bailey Jaeger, Brody/Joy Justice, Tate Kingery, Olivia Kuchenbecker, Cash/Cole Lohr, Charlotte/Gavyn Long, Michael Markusic, Andrea Menken, Elena/Gentry Molnar, Cecilia/Colbi/Cooper/Crosby Nastase, Jonah Orzechowski, Aiden/Eisley/Viorabelle Quensenberry, Nicholas Shipp, Owen Shimmel, Ilyanah/Lailyn/Leonard Stevens, Michael Studer, Jessa/John Swickheimer, Zoe Vanderhoeven, Stella Wallace, Sophia Wilke, Madeline Wilson

Austintown: Drew and Noah Jursa

Bloomfield-Mespo: Grace Scirocco

Bristol: Aryan Carver, Sophia Hardway

Canfield: Andrew Borucki

Cardinal: Justice Craver, Jonathan Fekete, Braxton Hall, Jackson McAllister, Ariana/Daniel Nimietz, Gavin Peska, Rylen/Gabriel Sharpnack, Payton Soltis, Aviana Turos, Madison Willis, Kinley Yancey

Field: Lucas and Miles Smith

LaBrae: Mauricio Miller, Oliver Schwan, Eva VonBergen

Newton Falls: Connor Bernini, Emily Masters, Delanie McGrew, Siera Wilson

Painesville: Quinten Inman

Ravenna: Brantley/Scarlett Adkins, Isabelle Bartlam, Zane Broadwater, Ethan Brown, Destiny Cales, Isaac Ford, Chloe Heasley, Angel Justham, David Rockow, Leena Shell, Izayah Stytle, Kendall Thompson, Ryker Vecchio, Dominic Walls, Lillian/Taylor West

Rootstown: Elizabeth Fogleman, Michael Huebner, Aaron Rohe, Will Simon

Southeast: Kaelyn/Kali/Mark Tasker, Ashton Verh

Southington: Jase/Raylynn Hites, Elijah/Owen Musch, Grace/Walker Peterson, Cairo Svonavec

Streetsboro: Benjamin Livingston, Kalyann Summers, Cole Summers-Wade

Tallmadge: Harper and Payton Monroe

United: Cole Porter

F. Approve overnight field trips for 2023/24:

United Nations Club to Model UN Conference; 12/3-12/5/2023

8th graders to Niagara Falls; 5/28-5/30/2024

G. Grant classified contracts for the 2023/24 year:

Rocco Nicolo – 2 year bus driver

Amy Neill – 1 year custodian

H. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2023/24:

Theo Cebulla – Head Boys' Soccer Coach (Step 5 - \$5,440.37)

Theo Cebulla – Boys' Soccer Summer Fitness (Step 5 - \$870.46)

Chris Schaefer – EMIS Coordinator (Step 1 - \$6,068.20)

I. Amend the date of Bruce Traycoff's retirement from June 30, 2023 to August 22, 2023

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-65 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to approve student handbooks for 2023/24: High School, Middle School, Elementary School, Preschool

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-66 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Renee Ruley; effective November 1, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

First reading of revised Board policy:

0164 – Notice of Meetings

23-67 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-B**

A. Approve an overnight field trip by the band to Walt Disney World, Orlando, FL, March 21-26, 2024

B. Approve open enrollment students for 2023/24:

Windham: Jayden, Makenna and Alanna Bluhm

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to enter executive session for the following: consider the following in regard to public employment, Investigation of charges and complaints..

Enter the executive session at 6:30 p.m. invited legal counsel into executive session

Ayes: Pietra, Brett Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra declared the board back in regular session at 745 p.m.

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting - July 13, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

President, Guy Pietra, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Conner Hunt led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pietra asked for a moment of silence for all service members, past and present.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Gary Foy, David Vincent and Deral White. Patricia Brett was not present.

Also present was the Superintendent, Treasurer, Transportation/Maintenance Supervisor, the Hunt family and Owen Bass.

23-68 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for July 13, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra dispensed with the President's report.

Mrs. Brett was not present for the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White dispensed with the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

No visitors asked to be recognized.

Educational Excellence

Superintendent Lysiak introduced Educational Excellence and David Vincent recited the resolution honoring Conner for his State Championships. Pictures were taken and the Board celebrated his victories and extended congratulations.

23-69 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Pietra to recognize Conner Hunt for his achievement of earning three State Championships at the Ohio High School Track and Field competition; the 100M Seated, the 400M Seated and the 800M seated. This is an extraordinary feat - the first athlete in G-Men history to earn three gold medals in a single meet.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Board Business

The Superintendent and Transportation Supervisor reviewed a powerpoint for the 2023/2024 Transportation plan.

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-70 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-O**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting on June 8, 2023

B. Approve monthly reports & fiscal year end reporting for June 2023.

C. Accept donations as follows:

Phil Bresky- \$100.00

- D.** Accept the Hiram Trust Grant to James A. Garfield Environmental Club, \$475.00 to build raised garden beds.
- E.** Approve a contract with Education Alternatives for the 2023/2024 school year for alternative placement education services, Day Services \$137 per day Medicaid Eligible, \$162.00 per day Non-Medicaid Eligible, Vision Quest \$173 per day, Coral Program \$205 per day, 1:1 Aide Services \$157 per day, Echo Program, \$104 per full day; \$52 half-day.
- F.** Approve revision of Res. 23-53/ Item G; Approve a contract with the Educational Service Center of Eastern Ohio for School Psychology service at a daily rate of \$493.23 plus 5% administrative fee. The contract includes 25 days of preschool evaluations and 150 days of general school psychology
- G.** Approve membership in the Ohio Coalition for Equity & Adequacy of School Funding for FY 2024, \$615.00.
- H.** Accept payment in lieu of transportation rate for 2023-2024, \$596.43.
- I.** Approve a contract for Comparative Analytics, Budget Management Analytics and Financial Planning Analytics Software- Frontline Education- \$18,407 for the 2023/2024 school year.
- J.** Approve a contract with the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio for Teacher of Visually Impaired, \$111.00 hourly rate, Rehabilitation Specialist, \$58.00 hourly rate, Orientation/Mobility Trainer & Function Low Vision Screening, \$78.00 hourly rate, for the 2023/2024 school year
- K.** Approve a contract with the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio for Teacher of Hearing Impaired, \$120.00 hourly rate, and Educational Audiologist, \$111.00 hourly rate, for the 2023/2024 school year.
- L.** Approve a contract with Summit Educational Service Center for fifteen (15) days of Gifted Consultation Services for the 2023/2024 school year; the cost is estimated at \$10,766.25.
- M.** Approve a contract with Pisanick Partners for dietary and compliance services for the JAG cafeteria, as well as menu planning and software; total annual cost is \$26,057.00
- N.** Accept the sale of buses through Bus Movers.com- Bus 5 & 7, sold for \$2500.00 each; Bus 8 & 18 sold for \$2800.00
- O.** Approve student activity budgets for 2023/2024:

| 2023/2024 | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Activity | Notes | FY 2023 Unencumbered Fund Balance | Revenues | Expenditures | Estimated FY 2024 Year End Balance |
| 018-9801 HS Principal Misc | | \$16,496.19 | \$13,300.00 | \$13,300.00 | \$16,496.19 |
| 018-9820 MS Principal Misc | | \$7,164.18 | \$3,750.00 | \$2,620.00 | \$8,294.18 |
| 018-9830 ES Principal Misc | | \$17,419.39 | \$16,000.00 | \$22,500.00 | \$10,919.39 |
| 018-9831 ES Principal Pop | | -\$238.82 | \$400.00 | \$100.00 | \$61.18 |
| 200-9301 MS Student Council | | \$241.45 | \$350.00 | \$375.00 | \$216.45 |
| 200-9302 MS Beta Club | | \$231.62 | \$1,366.00 | \$1,270.00 | \$327.62 |
| 200-9303 Power of the Pen | NO BUDGET | \$31.58 | | | \$31.58 |
| 200-9314 HS National Honor Society | | \$868.13 | \$1,200.00 | \$785.00 | \$1,283.13 |
| 200-9315 HS Pep Club | | \$2,650.08 | \$1,400.00 | \$1,450.00 | \$2,600.08 |
| 200-9317 HS Student Council | | \$7,038.29 | \$5,550.00 | \$6,993.00 | \$5,595.29 |
| 200-9320 HS Art Club | | \$1,290.08 | \$1,350.00 | \$1,600.00 | \$1,040.08 |
| 200-9321 HS UN Club | | -\$875.00 | \$6,500.00 | \$5,625.00 | \$0.00 |
| 200-9323 HS Quiz Bowl | NO BUDGET | \$21.00 | | | \$21.00 |
| 200-9397 HS Interact Club | | \$55.43 | \$300.00 | \$300.00 | \$55.43 |
| 200-9470 Class of 2024 | | \$3,679.19 | \$776.00 | \$4,455.19 | \$0.00 |
| 200-9471 Class of 2025 | | \$8,524.29 | \$13,900.00 | \$16,100.00 | \$6,324.29 |

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|--|--------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 200-9472 Class of 2026 | | \$556.88 | \$1,600.00 | \$220.00 | \$1,936.88 |
| 200-9473 Class of 2027 | | \$1,119.98 | \$1,100.00 | \$460.00 | \$1,759.98 |
| 200-9474 Class of 2028 | | \$0.00 | \$69,350.00 | \$68,800.00 | \$550.00 |
| 200-9475 Class of 2029 | NO BUDGET | \$0.00 | | | \$0.00 |
| 200-9476 Class of 2030 | | \$0.00 | \$4,895.00 | \$4,795.00 | \$100.00 |
| 200-9477 Class of 2031 | | \$0.00 | \$10,500.00 | \$10,500.00 | \$0.00 |
| 300-9001 HS Athletics | | -\$101,817.84 | \$100,000.00 | \$60,000.00 | -\$61,817.84 |
| 300-9366 Drama Production Grades 7-12 | | \$3,439.94 | \$3,000.00 | \$2,730.00 | \$3,709.94 |
| 300-9367 HS Yearbook | | \$2,865.51 | \$2,000.00 | \$800.00 | \$4,065.51 |
| 300-9368 MS Yearbook | | \$60.62 | \$2,500.00 | \$2,267.00 | \$293.62 |
| 300-9371 HS Band | NO BUDGET | \$108.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$108.00 |
| 300-9392 Spring Musical Production | | \$10,833.22 | \$10,291.05 | \$11,542.27 | \$9,582.00 |
| 300-9399 MS Cheerleaders | | \$1,648.66 | \$0.00 | \$500.00 | \$1,148.66 |
| | | -\$16,587.95 | \$271,378.05 | \$240,087.46 | |

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-71 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Pietra to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: A-B

A. Approve a contract with Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio for a Family & Student Liaison for the 2023/2024 school year.

B. Approve adjustment to final permanent appropriations for FY 2023 for fund 300 (+55,870.53) and fund 467(+2374.13)

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-72 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-E**

A. Approve the athletic licensure compliance and sports official payables coordinator supplemental position, effective for the 2023/24 year; the salary schedule will be the same used for the EMIS coordinator supplemental.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|------|-------------------|
| EMIS SUPPLEMENTAL 23/24 | | \$6,068.28 |
| 1-2 | 100% | \$6,068.28 |
| 3-4 | 104% | \$6,311.01 |
| 5-6 | 108% | \$6,553.74 |
| 7-8 | 112% | \$6,796.47 |
| 9-10 | 116% | \$7,039.20 |

B. Grant a personal service contract to Britton Holcomb as the athletic licensure compliance and sports

official payables coordinator, effective July 1, 2023 (Step 1 - \$6,068.20)

C. Accept the resignation of counselor Allison Caser, effective August 14, 2023

D. Approve open enrollment students for 2023/24:

Windham: Piper Hill, Parker Tallent

Crestwood: Aimee Roman

E. Approve Opportunity Pay for 2023/24:

Jake Der – AP U.S. History - \$805.98

Jake Der – AP Government and Politics - \$805.98

Jake Der – AP World History - \$1,000.00

Doug Engelhart – Dual Credit Calculus - \$805.98

Doug Engelhart – Dual Credit Precalculus - \$805.98

Renee Chlysta – Dual Credit French III - \$805.98

Zachary Longanecker – Dual Credit Statistics - \$805.98

Missy Petrie – Dual Credit Biology 1 - \$805.98

Missy Petrie – Dual Credit Biology 2 - \$805.98

Lori Morgan – Niagara Falls Fundraising - \$805.98

Peggy Cozad – M.S. IAT Coach - \$805.98

Peggy Cozad – M.S. JAG General Manager - \$805.98

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-73 Moved by D. Vincent, second by D. White to hold the second reading and adoption of revised Board policy:

0164 – Notice of Meetings

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-74 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to approve the Transportation Plan for 2023/24; Exhibit A

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-75 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to approve payment in lieu of transportation to Bio-Med by resident students for the 2023/24 school year as transportation by James A. Garfield Schools is impractical due to the time and distance, number of students needing transportation, cost (equipment, personnel, administration); no similar services are provided to other students attending non-public schools; the disruption of our current transportation schedules; and other reimbursable types of transportation are not available.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-76 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to grant a 1-year teaching contract to Mackenzie Chitwood for 2023/24

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-77 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to grant a 1-year teaching contract to Abra Schweickert for 2023/24

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-78 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to grant a 1-year classified contract to Daniel Rushnok for 2023/24 as a mechanic

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-79 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by G. Pietra to grant 1-year Title One tutor contracts for 2023/24 to Anne Miller and Terra Hill

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-80 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to grant a 1-year tutor contract for 2023/24 to Catherine Rodhe

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-81 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to grant a 1-year consulting contract to Kathy Herman

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-82 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to grant a 1-year teaching contract for 2023/24 to Jason Downey

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-83 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to grant a 1-year classified contract for 2023/24 to Christopher Higgins as a custodian, effective 7/24/2023

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-84 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve open enrollment students for 2023/24:

Crestwood: Jessica Davis, Brock and Payton Powers

Windham: Parker Broadwater, Jesse Campbell, Jemma and Kylee Neer

Southington: Diamond Dyson

Ravenna: Chase Henderson

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

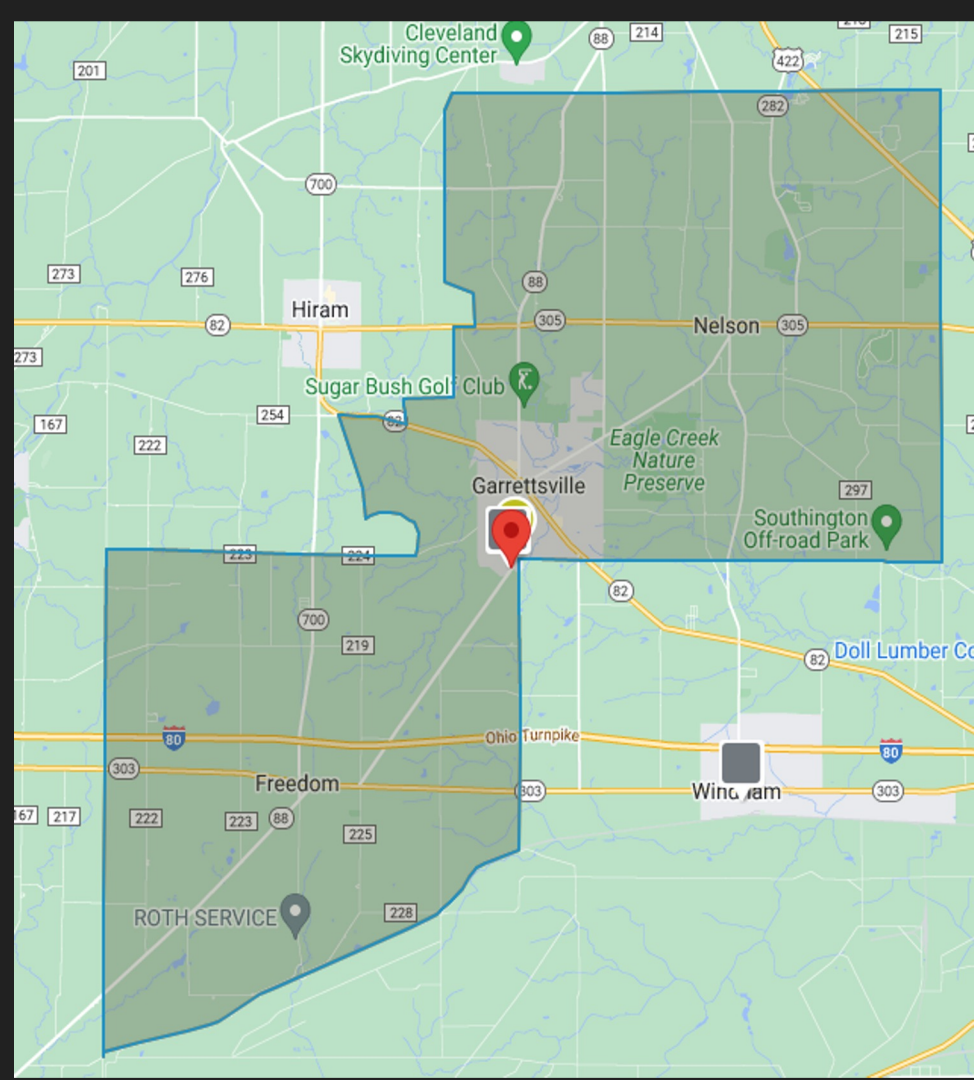
Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

Transportation Impracticality Determination: Bio-Med Science Academy

2023-2024 School Year

James A. Garfield (“JAG”) Local School District

- Northeast corner of Portage County
- Approx. 1,250 students enrolled
- 650-700 students transported
- One campus, centrally located on State Route 88 in Garrettsville, OH



JAG Transportation Department

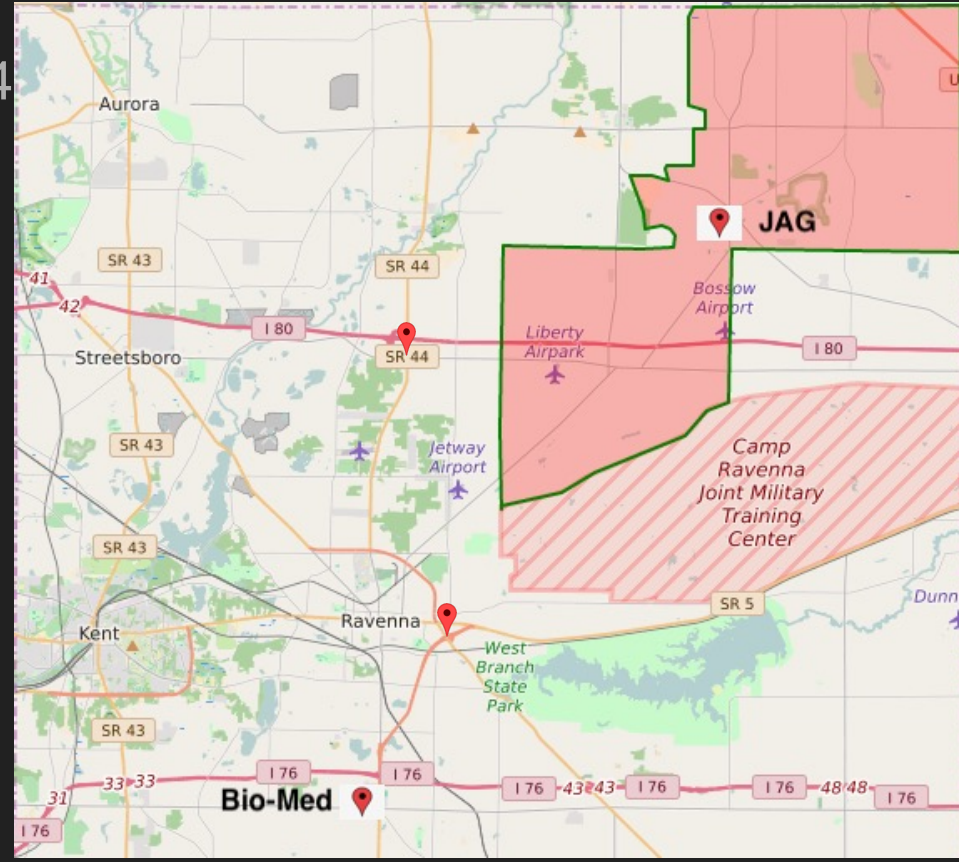
- JAG covers an area that is 54 square miles
- 8 Full-time bus drivers (no part-time drivers)
- 8 Bus routes
 - MS/HS Route (6:30-7:40/2:30-3:40) (“Tier One”)
 - EL Route (7:40-9:00/3:40-5:00) (“Tier Two”)
- 3 van drivers
- 3 vans
- Part-time Transportation Supervisor
- One full-time mechanic (one in training)

Impracticality Factors Considered: ORC 3327.02

1. Time and distance required
2. Number of pupils transported
3. Cost of providing transportation
(Equipment, Maintenance, Personnel, Administration)
4. Similar or equivalent transportation services provided to other eligible pupils
5. Extent of disruption to current transportation schedules
6. Whether other reimbursable types of transport are available

Time and Distance

- Bio-Med Rootstown: 4209 OH-44
Rootstown, OH 44272
- Approximately 27 minutes in
travel time (one way)
- 32-mile round trip from JAG



Bio-Med Route Example (Time & Distance)

| Single Route | First Pickup | Drop Off | Maximum ride time |
|----------------|--------------|----------|-------------------|
| AM - to school | 6:30 | 8:30* | 2 hours |
| PM - to home | 2:35 | 4:30* | 1 Hour 55 minutes |

| Group Pickup | First Pickup | Drop Off | Maximum ride time |
|--------------|--------------|----------|-------------------|
| AM Pickup | 7:20 | 8:30* | 1 hour 10 minutes |
| PM Pickup | 2:35 | 3:45* | 1 hour 10 minutes |

Times

| | | | | |
|------|--------|------|------|------|
| K-4 | Start: | 7:50 | End: | 2:35 |
| 5-6 | Start | 8:10 | End: | 2:55 |
| 7-12 | Start | 8:30 | End: | 3:15 |

*Significant bus ride (>60 min) for students

Number of students to be transported

| SCHOOL | Enrolled | Rejected Payment in Lieu |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| Bio-Med High School Campus (7-12) | 8 | 1 |
| Bio-Med Upper Campus (5-6) | 5 | 0 |
| Bio-Med Lower Campus (K-4) | 11 | 0 |

Review of Current Transportation Costs (T-2):

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Current Total Cost of Transportation | \$633,707 |
| Students Recieving Transportation | 654 |
| Buses/Drivers | 8 |
| Cost per Bus | \$79,213 |
| Cost per Student | \$968.97 |

Personnel Costs:

Annual Cost to Employ Bus Driver (2023-2024) per
Collective Bargaining Agreement w/ OAPSE Chp. #331

| | | |
|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| | | |
| Salary Schedule Step 1 | | Salary Schedule Step 14 |
| \$ 18.96 | Hourly Rate | \$ 24.08 |
| 5 | Hours Per Day | 5 |
| \$ 94.80 | Cost Per Day | \$ 120.40 |
| | | |
| 186 | Total Paid Days | 186 |
| | | |
| \$ 17,632.80 | Annual Wages | \$ 22,394.40 |
| | | |
| \$ 2,468.59 | 14% SERS | \$ 3,135.22 |
| \$ 255.68 | 1.45% Medicare | \$ 324.72 |
| \$ 185.14 | 1.05% BWC | \$ 235.14 |
| | | |
| \$ 20,542.21 | Wages + 16.5% | \$ 26,089.48 |
| | | |
| \$ 47,168.37 | With Family Coverage | \$ 52,715.64 |
| | \$ 26,626.16 | |
| \$ 31,618.89 | With Single Coverage | \$ 37,166.16 |
| | \$ 11,076.68 | |

Personnel Costs:

New Hire Incentive Payments

Board Resolution 2022-106

- Individuals hired as substitute, part-time or full-time drivers receive \$350.00 incentive payment after 90 days, provided they drove for at least 60 hours for the district during those 90 days (\$350.00 bonus for 60 hours is \$5.83 per hour).
- After the 90 days, substitute drivers are eligible for ongoing bonus at the end of the school year based on hours worked annually:
Minimum 200 hours annually- \$400 (additional \$2.00 per hr.)
Minimum 400 hours annually- \$800 (additional \$2.00 per hr.)
Minimum 600 hours annually- \$1,200 (additional \$2.00 per hr.)

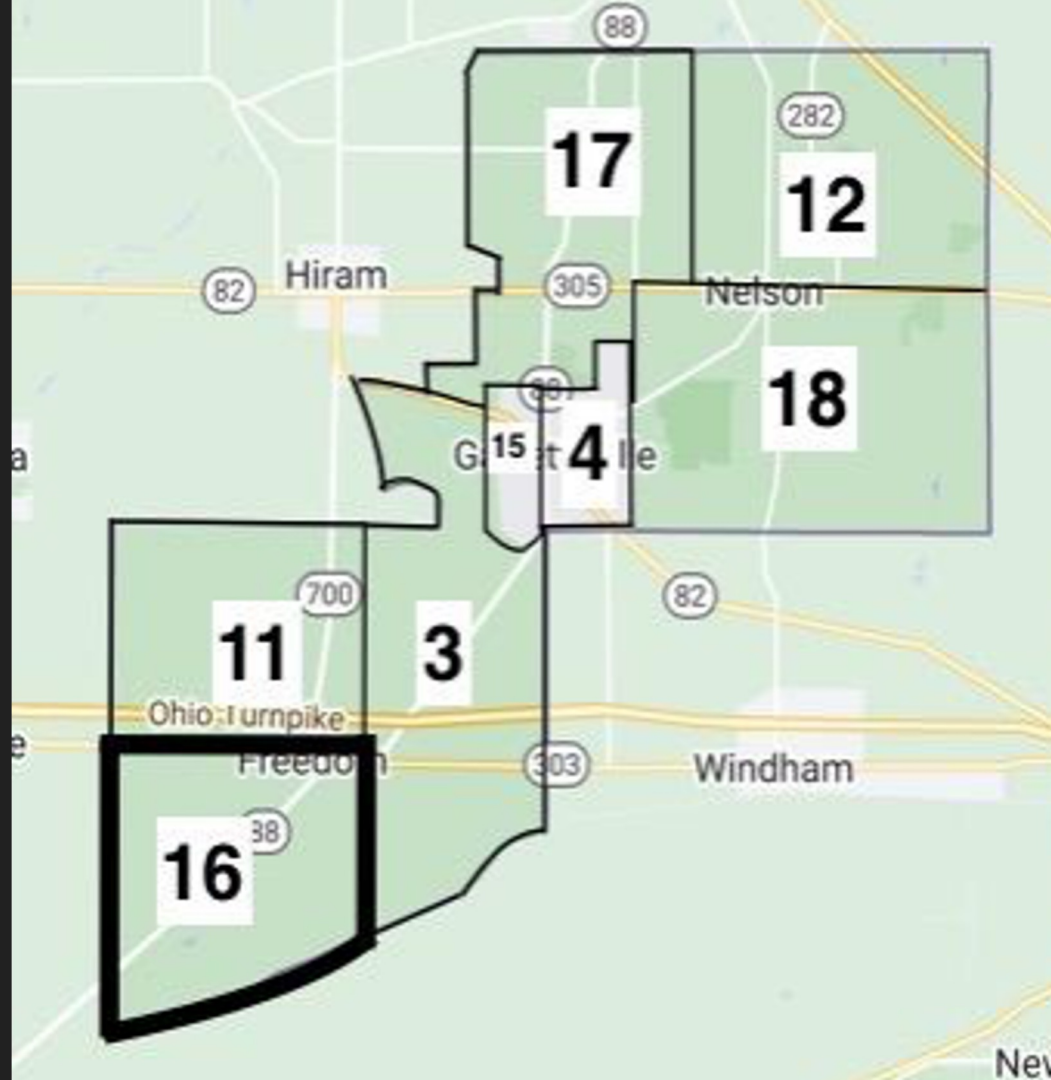
Similar or Equivalent Service for Other Eligible Pupils

| SCHOOL | DISTANCE | Route | PUPILS | REASON |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|--------|-------------------|
| LEAP | 37 Miles | EL/MS/HS | 2 | Special Education |
| Educational Alternatives | 23 Miles | EL/MS/HS | 6 | Special Education |
| Champion High School | 32 Miles | MS/HS | 2 | Special Education |
| Maplewood Career Center | 18 Miles | HS | 43 | Career Center |

- District must provide transportation to special education students with placement at such schools.
- MCC is an extension of the District's educational programming.
- **District does not provide transportation to any other private, community, charter or STEM school**

Disruption of Current Transportation Schedule

- Routes determined by drivers, fleet and number of students
- Do not use routing software due to size



Disruption of Current Transportation Schedule (Capacity)

| Bus | Location | Tier 1 Capacity* | Tier 2 Capacity* | Miles (round-trip) |
|-----|---------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 3 | Freedom East | 61% | 91% | 73 |
| 4 | Village East | 94% | 96% | 94 |
| 11 | Freedom North | 73% | 114% | 84 |
| 12 | Nelson East | 37% | 112% | 112 |
| 15 | Village | 50% | 96% | 49 |
| 16 | Freedom South | 67% | 135% | 91 |
| 17 | Nelson North | 67% | 70% | 71 |
| 18 | Nelson South | 46% | 124% | 127 |

*Capacity calculated on 2 students/seat

Disruption of Current Transportation Schedule (Time)

Current Service (Bus 16)

| Leave JAG | Maplewood Drop | Begin JAG Pickup | JAG Drop Off | JAG Start Time | Result |
|-----------|----------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|---------|
| 7:40 | 7:54 | 8:00 | 8:45 | 9:05 | On time |

Bio-Med Service (Bus 16 as shuttle)

| Leave JAG | Maplewood Drop | Drop at Biomed | Begin JAG Pickup | JAG Drop Off | JAG Start Time | Result |
|-----------|----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|
| 7:40 | 7:54 | 8:10 | 8:30 | 9:15 | 9:05 | 10 min late |

Bio-Med Service (Bus 16 move Maplewood shuttle)

| Leave JAG | Biomed Drop | Begin JAG Pickup | JAG Drop Off | JAG Start Time | Result |
|-----------|-------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|------------|
| 7:40 | 8:07 | 8:27 | 9:12 | 9:05 | 7 min late |

Other Reimbursable Transportation

| School | Result |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| Windham | Not able to provide service. |
| Crestwood | Not able to provide service. |
| Rootstown | Not able to provide service. |
| Ravenna | Not able to provide service. |

- No public transportation
- No commercial taxi services
- No regional bus services in area
- OAC 3301-83-19(C) does not permit routine van transportation

Other Reimbursable Transportation

| Company | Result |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Willo Transportation* | Unable to provide service. |
| Suburban Transportation | Not able to meet timelines. No interest in contracting. |
| Provide-A-Ride | Medical special needs only. |
| Parta* | Unable to provide service. |
| First Student* | Not available to assist (from spring). No return call (winter) |
| Kid Chauffeur | No returned call/email. |
| Freedom2go | Unable to provide service. |
| Petermann Bus* | Not available to assist. No return call (winter) |
| Sedan or Van Transport LLC | Unable to provide service (largest vehicle is 14) |

*District contacts each spring.

Additional District Efforts

- Secured grants for new buses in 2022 and 2021
- Staff retirements on horizon (3 in next 3 years)
- Contract negotiations to attract new drivers:
 - Significant increase to salary (2nd in Portage County)
 - Payment for training (\$1,574.31/driver)
 - Attendance bonus (\$900 annually)
- Promoting new hire drivers
 - Social Media
 - District Website

Questions?

Resolution of Commendation for Conner Hunt's Historic Triple Gold Victory at OHSAA Track and Field State Championship

Date: July 13, 2023

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the James A. Garfield Local School District, in recognition of outstanding athletic achievement, hereby extends its heartfelt congratulations and recognition to Conner Hunt for his remarkable accomplishments at the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) Track and Field State Championship held in Columbus, Ohio on June 3, 2023.

WHEREAS, Conner Hunt, a student-athlete representing the James A. Garfield High School, participated in the 100M Seated, 400M Seated, and 800M Seated races at the OHSAA Track and Field State Championship; and

WHEREAS, Conner Hunt displayed unwavering dedication, exceptional skill, and remarkable sportsmanship throughout the competition, demonstrating his commitment to athletic excellence; and

WHEREAS, Conner Hunt's exemplary performance in the 100M Seated, 400M Seated, and 800M Seated races resulted in his achievement of three gold medals, thereby making him the first athlete in G-Men history to secure such an extraordinary feat in a single meet; and

WHEREAS, Conner Hunt's success serves as a source of pride for the James A. Garfield Local School District, inspiring and motivating current and future student-athletes to strive for greatness in their respective pursuits;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the James A. Garfield Local School District recognizes and commends Conner Hunt for his exceptional achievements at the OHSAA Track and Field State Championship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board extends its congratulations and deepest appreciation to Conner Hunt for his dedication, hard work, and commitment to representing James A. Garfield High School with integrity and distinction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be presented to Conner Hunt as a token of our admiration and as a permanent record of his exceptional accomplishments.

Guy V. Pietra, President
David Vincent, Vice-President
Patricia Brett
Gary Foy
Deral White

Approved this thirteenth day of July, 2023

Guy V. Pietra
Board President

Attest:

Ted A. Lysiak
Superintendent



James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting - August 10, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

President, Guy Pietra, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

President Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pietra asked for a moment of silence for board member Deral White in his progress to get well.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, and David Vincent. Deral White was not present.

Also present was the Superintendent.

Treasurer, Tracy Knauer, was not present. President Pietra was selected as treasurer pro-tempore.

23-85 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for August 10, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra dispensed with the President's report.

Mrs. Brett gave the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White was not present for the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer was not present for the Treasurer's report.

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

No visitors asked to be recognized

Educational Excellence

No recognition scheduled for this meeting

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-86 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations:

A-F:

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of July 13, 2023

B. Approve monthly reports for July 2023.

C. Accept BWC safety grant for employers working with persons with developmental disabilities, \$20,000.

D. Approve a contract with Education Alternatives for the 2023/2024 school year for transportation.

E. Approve certificate of availability: Ready Field Solutions PO 64165 \$3,370.50 PO date 7/3/23 invoice date 7/1/23 and Pisanick Partners PO 64138/64139 \$5890.30 PO date 7/1/23 invoice date 6/30/23

F. Accept federal funding CCIP application for the 23/24 school year.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Upon discussion, Patricia Brett was approved as the delegate and David Vincent as the alternate for the OSBA Business Meeting Monday, November 13, 2023.

23-87 Moved by D. Vincent and seconded by G. Foy to approve revised temporary appropriations for 23/24.

| | |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| FY 2024 | TEMPORARY |
| FUND CLASSIFICATION | APPROPRIATION |
| FUND NAME | REQUEST |
| | |
| General Fund | 3,500,000.00 |
| | - |
| Special Revenue | - |
| 007 Special Trust | 25,000.00 |
| 018 Public Support | 25,000.00 |
| 019 Other Grant | 7,500.00 |
| 031 Underground Storage | - |
| 200 Student Activities | 40,000.00 |
| 300 District Managed Act | 25,000.00 |
| 451 Network Connectivity | 5,538.30 |
| 467 Student Wellness Funds | 40,000.00 |
| 499 Other State Grants | 15,000.00 |
| 507 CARES Funding | 749,686.26 |
| 510 Coronavirus Relief Funds | |
| 516 Title VI-B | 65,000.00 |
| 572 Title I-TA | 56,000.00 |
| 584 TITLE V-A | 15,000.00 |
| 587 Preschool | 3,500.00 |
| 590 Title II-A | 11,000.00 |
| 599 Misc Fed Revenue | 95,000.00 |

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|------------------------------|------------|
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| Debt Service | |
| 002 Bond Retirement-Building | 120,000.00 |
| | |
| 004 Capital Projects | - |
| | |
| Enterprise | |
| 006 Lunchroom | 300,000.00 |
| 009 Uniform Supplies | 18,000.00 |
| | |
| Fiduciary | |
| 022 District Agency | 500,000.00 |

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| | |
| . | 5,616,224.56 |

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-88 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to modify payment upon receipt of the student teacher stipend from Kent State University for the 2022 semester from Joel Logan- \$400.00 to split equally between Joel Logan and Theo Cebulla

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-89 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: A-C

A. Approve payment in lieu of transportation to Biomed for the following students: Carmella DiVencenzo, Ellis Burrows, Harper Marshall, Isabella Carloni, Harmony Hague, Charlotte Slade, Liliana Slade, Landyn Ianaggi, Eden Girt, Evan Carloni, Anthoney Clark, Finn Collins, Danica DiVencenzo, Joseph Lang, Alexis Slade, Lilly Clark, Gabriella Ianaggi, Kaitlyn Mangeri, Chloe Silver, Ava Marie Carloni, Landon Sitosky, Raena Hopper, Emily Mangeri, Ethan Slade, Wyatt Bard, Alexander Silver, Abigail Ritondaro, Adelyn Roth

B. Approve the following open enrollment students: Atley and Ryan Barnosky-Crestwood, Rosalie Short – Ravenna, Carmen and Carmella Zastawnik – Cleveland Municipal, Trinity Mitchell, Maria Haines, Hallie Spreitzer - Windham

C. Accept resignations: Christopher Higgins effective 7/25/2023 and Sue Nottingham effective 7/31/23

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-90 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Pietra to grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 23/24: Stephanie Ewell – MS Cheerleading (step 2- \$1611.96) Caydence McGranahan – MS Volleyball (step 2 - \$3,130.00) Alyssa Shirkey – MS Volleyball (step 2 - \$3,130.00)

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-91 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to grant classified contracts:

1 year contract to Mark Hayhurst - custodian: effective 8/14/23

1 year contract to Judy Gyulai – Lunchroom/Recess Monitor: effective 8/29/23

1 year contract to Amber Sanchez – Lunchroom/Recess Monitor: effective 8/29/23

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-92 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to hire substitute staff for 23/24: Certified - Sarah Wehrle / Transportation - Joan Monroe

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-93 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to approve Memorandum of Understanding with OAPSE to change classifications and salaries for aides and monitors.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-94 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve Memorandum of Understanding with OAPSE regarding student trips in school owned vehicles.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

First Reading was held of Board Policies:

1615/3215/4215/5512/7434 – Tobacco Use Prevention
9160 – Public Attendance at School Events
0131.1 – Technical Corrections
2114 – Meeting State Performance Standards
2271 – College Credit Plus Program
2412 – Homebound Instruction Program
3120.09/4120.09 - Volunteers – RESCIND
5310 – Health Services
5460 – Graduation Requirements
5610 – Removal, suspension, expulsion and permanent exclusion of student
6325 – Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds
8120 – Volunteers
8400 – School Safety
8420 – Emergency Situations at
Schools 8462 – Student Abuse and
Neglect 7540 – Technology
7540.01 – Technology Privacy
7540.02 – Web Accessibility, content, Apps and Services
7540.03 – Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety
7540.04 – Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety
8300 - Continuity of Organizational Operations Plan
8305 - Information Security
8315 – Information Management
9700.01 - Advertising and Commercial Activities

23-95 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to approve open enrollment students for 2023/2024:

Ravenna: Myles Yost, Windham: Laeyla Stier

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-96 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to grant one year ES tutor contract to Lisa Etling and Maghan Kirk

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District Regular Meeting - September 14, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

President, Guy Pietra, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

President Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pietra asked for a moment of silence.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, David Vincent and Deral White.

Also present was the Superintendent, Treasurer, Staff and family members.

23-97 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for September 14, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra gave the President's report, welcoming the faculty Class of 2023.

Mrs. Brett gave the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White dispensed with the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer dispensed with the Treasurer's report.

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

No visitors asked to be recognized

Educational Excellence

Ted Lysiak asked the Board to recognize "Class of 2023" new hires; the members of the class introduced themselves to the Board of Education.

23-98 Moved by D. White, seconded by P. Brett to recognize Core Value recipients:

Amanda Duncan and Krista Hardway - teamwork

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-99 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by P. Brett to recognize Core Value recipients:

Fran Bell and Renee Chlysta- Kindness

Jason Downey- Perseverance

Jeff Livingston- Responsibility

Jake and Sarah Roborecki- Engagement

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-100 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following recommendations:

A-D:

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of August 10, 2023

~~B. Approve monthly reports for August 2023.~~

C. Accept \$72.05 rebate payment from American Express

D. Accept donations:

Ken Fox - the generous donation of six xylophones and three xylophone stands to the school. The music department priced three Soprano xylophones at \$550 if they were new and three Bass Xylophones that would be worth about \$2,300 if they were new. The three stands vary in price and are about \$250.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-101 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to approve permanent appropriations for FY 2024:

| FUND CLASSIFICATION | APPROPRIATION |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| FUND NAME | REQUEST |
| General Fund | 16,000,000.00 |
| Special Revenue | |
| 007 Special Trust | 55,000.00 |
| 018 Public Support | 38,000.00 |
| 019 Other Grant | 9,500.00 |
| 031 Underground Storage | - |
| 200 Student Activities | 145,000.00 |
| 300 District Managed Act | 185,000.00 |
| 451 Network Connectivity | 5,400.00 |
| 467 Student Wellness Funds | 55,307.00 |
| 499 Other State Grants | 35,000.00 |
| 507 CARES Funding | 800,000.00 |
| 510 Coronavirus Relief Funds | |
| 516 Title VI-B | 275,000.00 |
| 572 Title I-TA | 225,000.00 |
| 584 TITLE V-A | 20,000.00 |
| 587 Preschool | 9,200.00 |
| 590 Title II-A | 35,000.00 |
| 599 Misc Fed Revenue | - |
| Debt Service | |
| 002 Bond Retirement-Building | 437,000.00 |
| 004 Capital Projects | - |
| Enterprise | |
| 006 Lunchroom | 640,000.00 |
| 009 Uniform Supplies | 35,000.00 |

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|---------------------|---------------|
| | |
| Fiduciary | |
| 022 District Agency | 1,440,000.00 |
| | |
| | 20,444,407.00 |

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-102 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by P. Brett to approve the Village of Garrettsville purchasing fuel (diesel and gasoline) from the James A Garfield Local School District.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-103 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by G. Pietra to approve payment in lieu of transpiration for Gavyn Mosier (grade 3/Shalersville Campus) to

Biomed due to impracticality for the following reasons:

- A. Time and distance required
- B. Number of pupils transported
- C. Cost of providing transportation (Equipment, Maintenance, Personnel, Administration)
- D. No similar or equivalent transportation services provided to other eligible pupils
- E. Disruption to current transportation schedules
- F. No other reimbursable types of transport are available

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-104 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: A-E

A. Approve open enrollment students: Myles Yost, Adalynn Dentz, Charity Bartlam - Ravenna/Jayden Bolton - Windham/Lane Andrews-Streetsboro/Leonard Richards and Kylie Schmitz - Windham/Logan Warner - Newton Falls/ Brian Boggs - Logan Elm

B. Approve the following Opportunity Pay:

Jackie Lovelace - MS Morning Announcements Coordinator, \$805.98

Matt Pfleger - AP Literature and Composition, \$805.98

Doug Engelhart - Dual Credit Precalculus, \$805.98

Doug Engelhart - Dual Credit Calculus, \$805.98

Riley Dearth and Emma Stark - PBIS Coaches, \$805.98/split

C. Grant a 1-year sub custodian contract to Chad McGranahan and Michelle Morell

D. Approve Heidi Drumheller, Diana Kelly and Peggy Shay as mentors for the 23/24 Resident Educator Program

E. Approve Transportation Routes for Elementary and Middle/High School

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-105 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to grant a 1-year contract to the Alexandra Gushura, elementary library clerk, effective 8/29/2023

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-106 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to grant a 1-year contract to the Krista Hardway, elementary lunchroom aide, effective 8/28/2023

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-107 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to grant a 1-year contract to Andrew Good, HS custodian, effective 8/28/2023

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-108 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Pietra to grant a 1-year contract to Joan Monroe, transportation driver, effective 8/28/2023

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-109 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to hold the second Reading and adopt Board Policies:

1615/3215/4215/5512/7434 – Tobacco Use Prevention

9160 – Public Attendance at School Events

0131.1 – Technical Corrections

2114 – Meeting State Performance Standards

2271 – College Credit Plus Program

2412 – Homebound Instruction Program

3120.09/4120.09 - Volunteers – RESCIND

5310 – Health Services

5460 – Graduation Requirements

5610 – Removal, suspension, expulsion and permanent exclusion of student

6325 – Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds

8120 – Volunteers

8400 – School Safety

8420 – Emergency Situations at Schools

8462 – Student Abuse and Neglect

7540 – Technology

7540.01 – Technology Privacy

7540.02 – Web Accessibility, content, Apps and Services

7540.03 – Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety

7540.04 – Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety

8300 - Continuity of Organizational Operations Plan

8305 - Information Security

8315 – Information Management

9700.01 - Advertising and Commercial Activities

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-110 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: A-G

A. Grant a 1-year sub van driver contract to Michelle Morell

B. Accept open enrolled students: Melissa Frey - Windham

C. Approve Austin Smith as a volunteer to work with the MS/HS drama club.

D. Approve an overnight field trip to Camp Fitch by the fifth graders; Nov. 20-23

E. Hire Jacob Flarida as a substitute teacher for 2023/2024

F. Approve an overnight trip to Washington DC by the 6th graders; May 22-23, 2024

G. Hire Sherry Timm as a home tutor for the 2023/2024 school year, if needed.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to enter executive session for:

- R.C. 121.22(G)(3) - conference with an attorney for the Board concerning a dispute involving the District that is the subject of pending or imminent court action; and
- R.C. 121.22(G)(5) - matters required to be kept confidential by federal law.

Entered executive session at 6:35 p.m.

Invited into executive session: Superintendent, Treasurer, Transportation Supervisor, Attorney via Zoom.

Exited executive session at 7:00 p.m.

Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District Regular Meeting - October 5, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

President, Guy Pietra, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

President Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pietra asked for a moment of silence for veterans present and past, especially JAG alumni.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, David Vincent and Deral White.

Also present was the Superintendent, Treasurer, Students, Staff & Community Members

23-111 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by P. Brett to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for October 5, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Educational Excellence

23-112 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize Friends 4 Friends Film Crew for their creative energies in creating a powerful message of, "Put down your phone and pick up your life" and earning the 2023 "Best Film" award for Garfield.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-113 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize Internship Program Director Jake Der for his unwavering commitment to assisting Garfield High School Students with graduation requirements through his innovative working internship program.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-114 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to recognize Core Value recipients: Jason Downey - Teamwork, Nathan Miskimen - Responsibility, Kristi Fiorentino - Kindness and Perseverance, Rachelle Craine - Perseverance, Krysta Krause - Teamwork

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra gave the President's report.

Mrs. Brett gave the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White gave the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report, noting the permanent appropriations include the FY 2024 ground lease.

payments in accordance with the program.

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

Mr. Lysiak introduced Mr. Jim Vincent who is a member of the Historical Society and will be presenting information to our students about the history of President James A Garfield. The Ohio State House has declared 11/19/23 President James A. Garfield day.

The time capsule will be opened January 26, 2024, they would like to work with teachers and students to include memorabilia.

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-115 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-B:**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of September 14, 2023

B. Approve monthly reports for August ~~September~~ 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-116 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve items A-D

A. Accept E & I Cooperative rebate from Staples Business Advantage for 7/1/22 to 6/30/23 for \$38.16

B. Approve a certificate of availability: Purchase Order 64494 Harbor Education Services, PO Date 9/1/23, Invoice Date 8/23/23 \$6,975.00

C. Approve payment upon receipt of the student teacher stipend from Kent State University for the Fall 2023 semester: \$400.00 to be split between Theo Cebulla & Joel Logan

D. Approve the sale of Bus 2 through Bus Movers, sale price \$2,700.00, Bus 5, sale price \$2,500.00, Bus 7, sale price \$2,500.00, Bus 18, sale price \$2,800 and Bus 8, sale price \$2,800.00

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-117 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to approve a Resolution Declaring That An Urgent Necessity Exists For the Installation Of Parking Lot for the School Track

WHEREAS, Section 3313.46 of the Revised Code requires boards of education to advertise for bids for a period of two weeks when they determine to make certain improvements to school buildings, the cost of which will exceed \$25,000, and to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder, except in cases of urgent necessity; and WHEREAS, the District is performing certain facilities improvements including the construction of a parking lot by the new school track and

WHEREAS, the Board has been advised that the parking lot project must be installed as soon as possible so that it may be completed at the earliest possible time in order to prevent issues with sloping by the track, use of the track and construction of the MARC's tower on the district property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the James A Garfield Local School District, Portage County, Ohio, that: Section 1. Finding of Urgent Necessity. For the aforesaid reason, this Board hereby finds, determines and declares that an urgent necessity exists with respect to the commencement of the parking lot project, that compliance with the relatively lengthy procedures prescribed by Section 3313.46 of the Revised Code could compromise the educational integrity and mission of the District.

Section 2. Bidding of Contract. The Superintendent is hereby authorized and directed to advertise this project for bid for a time period less than required by Section 3313.36 of the Revised Code.

Section 3. Prior Acts Ratified and Confirmed. Any actions previously taken by School District officials or agents of this Board in furtherance of the matters set forth in this Resolution are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 4. Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board or committees, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 5. Captions and Headings. The captions and headings in this Resolution are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption. moved and seconded the adoption of the motion, and roll call resulted.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-118 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to approve payment in lieu of transpiration for Amara Rizzotto (grade 8/Rootstown Campus) to Biomed due to impracticality for the following reasons:

- A. Time and distance required
- B. Number of pupils transported
- C. Cost of providing transportation (Equipment, Maintenance, Personnel, Administration)
- D. No similar or equivalent transportation services provided to other eligible pupils
- E. Disruption to current transportation schedules
- F. No other reimbursable types of transport are available

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-119 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: A-C

- A.** Approve open enrollment students: Anthony Clark - Ravenna
- B.** Grant a 1-year sub van driver contract to Jonathan Hoffstetter
- C.** Grant supplemental contracts to Erica Jarvis (MS basketball), Mike Finney (MS Wrestling), Zack Smith (MS Basketball), and Brett Foy (MS Basketball)

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-120 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by P. Brett to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: A-B

- A.** Grant supplemental contract to Jonathan Smith(MS Basketball) and Madison Hartung (Varsity Girls Basketball)
- B.** Approve Taylor Smith as a volunteer for the HS girls basketball team

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed
Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by P. Brett to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting
adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting - November 9, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

President, Guy Pietra, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Russell Vannoy led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pietra asked for a moment of silence for members of the armed forces serving overseas.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, David Vincent and Deral White.

Also present was the Superintendent, Treasurer, Students, Staff & Community Members

23-121 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for November 9, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra gave the President's report.

Mrs. Brett gave the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White gave the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

Mr. Dave Vincent shared membership opportunities in the Garrettsville PickleBall Association.

Educational Excellence

Sarah Tsironis and Emery Boyle-Scott shared a presentation highlighting the District's preschool program.

23-122 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to recognize the preschool unit for their dedication, child centered approach, play based learning, physical environment, curriculum, communication with parents, inclusivity, and the positive impact on our children.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-123 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize Emily Ahrens and Tim Vecchio as our SRO. Our school resource officers play a vital role in creating a safe and nurturing learning environment. Their commitment to the well being of students and their multifaceted responsibilities deserve appreciation and recognition for the positive impact they have on the school community.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-124 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize Core Value recipients:

Alyson Rose- Kindness

Ann King - Teamwork

Aiden Allen-Kindness

Anne Miller, Terra Hill, Lisa Etling, Maghan Kirk, Catherine Rodhe - Teamwork

Riley Dearth - Teamwork

Carrie Williams - Kindness

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-125 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. White to recognize Core Value recipients:

Ian Clark of Porchlight Printing & Promotion LLC, Sarchione of Garrettsville, S&K Sales & Services, State Farm Agent Shannan Jursa, and Sitework Developing, Inc. - Kindness

Zach Dickerson - Perseverance

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-126 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Pietra to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: A-L :

- A.** Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of October 5, 2023
- B.** Approve monthly reports for October 2023.
- C.** Accept the certificate of appreciation and \$1,000 gift card to Donors Choose for Jacob Der from Kent State Athletics and College Football Playoff Foundation.
- D.** Accept the \$5,000 grant awarded to Matt Shull from the OSLN STEM Classroom Grant Program funded by Battelle.
- E.** Approve the payment upon receipt of \$175 student teacher stipend from Hiram College for Kristina Cupples for the fall semester.
- F.** Approve the establishment of a 300 fund for the High School Life Skills class, Advisor Abra Schweickert, and the policy/purpose/budget statement presented for the program.
- G.** Approve adjustments to permanent appropriations for the 2023/2024 school year as presented.
- H.** Accept donation of \$189.92 from the MVP's for supplies for the Middle School gym classes.
- I.** Modify Res. 23-100/ Donations- Ken Fox has supplied updated values for the donated instruments using musiciselementary.com
 - (3) Three Soprano Xylophone Hardwood Bars at \$467.00 ea- total of \$1401
 - (3) Three Bass Xylophones Rosewood Bars at \$1,400.00 ea- total of \$4,200
- J.** Modify Res. 23-115/ Student Teacher Stipend- Approve the payment upon receipt of \$400 student teacher stipend from Kent State University for Theo Cebulla for the fall semester per the agreement received from KSU 10/26/23.
- K.** Accept the five year forecast as presented.
- L.** Accept the Premier Tour and Travel contract for the 2024 6th grade Washington D.C. trip.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-127 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by P. Brett to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: A-E7

- A.** Approve Amber Sanchez as a substitute teacher
- B.** Accept resignation of Vanessa Bauer for the 7th grade Math Coach
- C.** Grant supplemental contract to Nicole Giammo for 7th grade Math Coach
- D.** Accept resignation of Pat Hindman, bus driver effective October 16, 2023
- E.** Approve opportunity pay for Steven Howell for Dual Credit Crossroads

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-128 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Pietra to accept resignation of Karen Miller, head cook, effective April 30, 2024 due to retirement

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-129 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. White to approve Janine Lambert as a substitute custodian

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-130 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to approve Memorandum of Understanding with GEA in regards to sick leave bank/sick leave donation

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District Regular Meeting - December 14, 2023

Opening: The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Charles C. Klammer Professional Development Center for the regular meeting at 5:00 p.m.

President, Guy Pietra, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pietra asked for a moment of silence.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, David Vincent and Deral White.

Also present was the Superintendent, Staff & Community Members

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by Deral White to appoint Guy Pietra as Treasurer Pro Tem.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-131 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda and Addendum for December 14, 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Committees and Reports

President Pietra gave the President's report.

Mrs. Brett gave the Maplewood Career Center report.

Mr. White gave the Legislative Liaison report.

Tracy Knauer was not present for the Treasurer's report

Ted Lysiak gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comment

No visitors asked to be recognized

Educational Excellence

23-132 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent to pass a Resolution of Sincerest Appreciation to Gary Foy

WHEREAS, Gary Foy, a distinguished alumnus of James A. Garfield Schools, Class of 1968, was elected to the Board of Education in November 1999 and has served with unwavering commitment and dedication from the year 2000 through 2023; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Foy's tenure as a Board Member has been marked by exemplary service, demonstrating a steadfast commitment to the betterment of James A. Garfield Schools, its students, and staff; and

WHEREAS, Gary Foy has successfully completed numerous contract negotiations, showcasing his adept leadership skills in navigating complex matters for the benefit of the school district; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Foy served as an active and instrumental member of the athletic facility improvement committee, contributing significantly to the enhancement of the football stadium with the installation of new bleachers and a modern concession stand; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Foy played an integral role in the creation of our esteemed boys and girls high school bowling program that has since become a regional model of success and opportunity for young men and women; and

WHEREAS, Gary Foy, throughout his tenure, has been a consistent and passionate supporter of the G-Men, actively participating in and cheering for the athletic endeavors of James A. Garfield Schools; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Foy's approachability and openness to the community have made him a beloved figure within the JAG community, fostering positive relationships and effective communication; and

WHEREAS, Gary Foy's commitment to service was made possible through the unwavering support of his loving family, including his wife, Sharon (Class of '67), and daughter Samantha (Class of '99); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Foy's 24 years of dedicated service have left an indelible mark on James A. Garfield Schools, embodying the values of excellence, integrity, and community engagement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of James A. Garfield Schools expresses its deepest gratitude to Gary Foy for his outstanding service, leadership, and commitment to the school district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extends its heartfelt best wishes to Gary Foy upon his well-deserved retirement, acknowledging the impact of his service on the James A. Garfield Schools' community; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the official minutes of the Board of Education of James A. Garfield Schools, and a copy thereof be presented to Mr. Gary Foy as a token of the sincere appreciation of the entire school community.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of Education of James A. Garfield Schools, this 14th day of December 2023.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-133 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. White to recognize Core Value recipients:

Matt Massey - Engagement

Carly Fleck - Kindness

Abra Schweickert - Creativity

The Transportation Department - Teamwork

Theo Cebulla - Creativity

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

23-134 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: A-F:

- A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of November 9, 2023
- B. Approve monthly reports for November 2023.
- C. Accept the American Express Incentive payment for 6/2023 to 8/2023; \$470.27
- D. Accept donations:
 - All Sports Boosters for the Event/Commons Entrance \$4,841.14
 - Boxcast donations to media class \$133.40
 - Gough family donation to Camp Fitch \$308.00
 - Donation (various) to High School Drama- \$305.00
 - \$26.00 Nick Derritt to Elementary Principal's account
- E. Approve continued membership with Ohio School Boards Association for 2024
- F. Approve Contract with State of Ohio for MARCS Tower
 - Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White
 - Nays: None
 - Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

The Board set the January 2024 Organizational Meeting for Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Superintendent's Recommendations

23-135 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: A-K

- A. Approve Open Enrollment Students: Alexander Farr - Southington, Brooke Hall - Joseph Badger, and Oliver and Piper Hrubik - Liberty
- B. Grant certified contract to Maureen Ray, school psychologist
- C. Grant classified contract for Mary Swanigan, bus driver
- D. Hire substitute teachers - Kimberley Sheller, Sydney Spitler, Krista Hardway
- E. Approve volunteer coaches for indoor track - Jim Pfleger, Matt Pfleger and Kelliann Collins
- F. Hire head dietary cook, Melanie Kleinhen due to retirement
- G. Grant supplemental contract to Jessica Early and Kelly Palmer as academic tutors
- H. Hire substitute custodians Janine Lambert, Destiny Phillips, Mike Sieczkowski and Michele Kehoe
- J. Hire Mark Hayhurst as a substitute dietary aide
- K. Grant a tutor contract to Lisa Maynard for the 2023/2024 school year
 - Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White
 - Nays: None
 - Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

23-136 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. White to accept the resignation of Mary Swanigan, bus driver, effective December 12, 2023

- Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White
- Nays: None
- Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

The Superintendent presented 2023-2024 School Calendar for Public Comment (attached).

Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

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Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

2024-2025 School Calendar

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HOOR REQUIREMENTS

ELEMENTARY - 910 Hours
MIDDLE/HIGH - 1,001 Hours

AUGUST

- 21 - Staff Work Day
- 22 - Staff inservice
- 23 - Staff Convocation
- 26 - First Student Day Grades 1-12
- 29 - First Day for Kindergarten Group 1
- 30 - First Day for Kindergarten Group 2
- 30 - First Day for Preschool Students

SEPTEMBER

- 2 - LABOR DAY (NO SCHOOL)

OCTOBER

- 11 - NEOEA DAY (NO SCHOOL)
- 24 - End of First Quarter - 42 days
- 25 - Teacher Inservice (NO STUDENTS)

NOVEMBER

- 28-29 - Thanksgiving Break (NO SCHOOL)

DECEMBER

- 2 - Conference Day Credit (NO SCHOOL)
- 23-31 - Winter Break

JANUARY

- 1-3 - Winter Break
- 16 - End of Second Quarter - 46 days
- 17 - Teacher Inservice (NO STUDENTS)
- 20 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day (NO SCHOOL)

FEBRUARY

- 17 - Presidents' Day (NO SCHOOL)

MARCH

- 14 - Teacher inservice (NO STUDENTS)
- 28 - End of Third Quarter - 48 days

APRIL

- 14-18 - Spring Break - (NO SCHOOL)
- 21 - Conference Credit (NO SCHOOL)

MAY

- 24 - Graduation (7pm)
- 26 - Memorial Day (NO SCHOOL)
- 30 - Last day for students

JUNE

- 2-3 Teacher Inservice (NO SCHOOL)
- 4 - Last day for teachers

173 STUDENT DAYS

CALAMITY DAYS BEYOND FIVE (5) WILL BE MADE UP AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

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2024-2025 Hour Calculation

ELEMENTARY - 5.83 hours/day = 1,008
MIDDLE/HIGH - 6.37 hours/day = 1,102