Minutes of Western Reserve Board of Education Regular Meeting

December 20, 2023

The Western Reserve Board of Education met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., in the MSHS library.

Dr. Ommert called the meeting to order with the following members responding to roll call: Dr. Scott Ommert-yes, Mr. Kris Green-yes, Mr. Frank Edwards-yes, Mr. James Todd-yes, Mr. Caleb Buck-yes.

Mr. Edwards moved and Mr. Todd seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Buck moved and Mr. Green seconded to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2023 regular meeting, as presented.

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Snyder gave his Superintendent report to the Board.

Mr. Todd moved and Mr. Green seconded to approve the following:

Second reading & approval of revision to:

8325, 8420.01, 8451, 8760, 8770. Rescind: 8130, 8630, 8750

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Todd moved and Mr. Buck seconded that the Board approve the following:

- 1. The Board of Education Organizational meeting to be held on January 10, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the MSHS Library. Scott Ommert is the designated President Pro
- 2. The graduation of the presented members of the Class of 2024; upon completion of all requirements; they will receive their diploma in January 2024.

Gabriel Beight Jennifer Looney

3. Approve Tina Hamons diploma for the 22+ program pending completion of requirements.

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Todd moved and Mr. Edwards seconded to approve the agreement with A.J. Riley Inc. for resurfacing, replacement, and installation of asphalt paving totaling \$70,301.00.

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Todd moved and Mr. Edwards seconded to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Western Reserve Local School District is a member of the Ohio Schools Council. On November 3, 2023, the Ohio Schools Council received bids for school vans on behalf of its members. The Western Reserve Local School District Board of Education authorizes the purchase of one (1) – nine (9) Passenger Multi-Purpose Vehicle (MPV) chassis and bodies that were bid through the Ohio Schools Council.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Western Reserve Local School District Board of Education wishes to purchase one (1) – nine (9) Passenger Multi-Purpose Vehicle (MPV) chassis and bodies, Package 15, from Cardinal Bus Sales and Service at the cost of \$80,695.

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Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Green moved and Mr. Buck seconded to approve the following:

- 1. Resignation of Brad Perkins Middle School Wrestling for the 2023-2024 school year.
- 2. Hiring of Paul (Charlie) Warthling as a substitute Bus Driver for the 2023-2024 school year pending successful completion of all Board requirements.

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Edwards moved and Mr. Todd seconded to approve the following certified staff members, for the respective supplemental contract for the 2023-2024 school year, pending successful completion of all Board requirements.

Libby French - Faculty Manager 33%

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Todd moved and Mr. Buck seconded to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS this Board has posted the position(s) as listed below, as being available to employees of the district who hold educator licenses, and no such employee meeting all of the Board's qualifications has applied for, been offered, and accepted such position(s), and

WHEREAS this Board then advertised the position(s) as being available to licensed individuals not employed by this District, and no such person meeting all of the Board's qualifications has applied for, been offered, and accepted such position(s),

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the individual(s) listed, are non-licensed individuals to be employed as described for the 2023-2024 school year, pending successful completion of all Board requirements.

Aiden Fry-Silva – Middle School Wrestling Christy Brammer – Faculty Manager 33%

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Buck moved and Mr. Edwards seconded to approve the following volunteers pending fulfillment of all Board requirements:

Dale Irby-Girls Basketball

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Buck moved and Mr. Todd seconded to approve the financial reports for November 2023 as presented.

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Buck moved and Mr. Edwards seconded to approve the transfer of \$230,000 from the General Fund (001) to the Capital Projects Fund (070).

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

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Mr. Todd moved and Mr. Green seconded to approve the following donations:

\$2,500 from Smiley Automotive to WR Boys Basketball \$12,838.50 from Heitsche North Shore Stone Quarry to WR Boys Baseball

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Buck moved and Mr. Green seconded to approve the following resolution:

A. APPROVE A RESOLUTION REQUESTING EACH OF THE HURON COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION AND THE ERIE COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN MONEY IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S BOND RETIREMENT FUND TO A SPECIFIC PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND PURSUANT TO SECTION 5705.14(C)(2) OF THE REVISED CODE.

WHEREAS, at an election held on November 2, 1999, the electors of the School District approved the issuance of bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$3,361,000, and the School District subsequently issued its Classroom Facilities Improvement Bonds, dated as of April 15, 2000 (the Series 2000 Bonds), pursuant to that authority; and

WHEREAS, thereafter, the School District issued its \$2,574,999.65 Classroom Facilities Improvement Refunding Bonds, dated October 7, 2010 (the Series 2010 Bonds), for the purpose of refunding certain of the then-outstanding Series 2000 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, all of the then-outstanding Series 2010 Bonds were retired at their final maturity on December 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the School District has no other voter-approved securities currently outstanding; and

WHEREAS, this Board had levied a property tax specifically for the purpose of paying debt charges on the Series 2000 Bonds and the Series 20 10 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the School District's Bond Retirement Fund currently has a balance of \$133,332.10 (the Current Excess Balance) representing such property tax collections that cannot now be applied to the payment of debt charges on voter-approved debt because all such debt has been retired; and

WHEREAS, although there are no property taxes being levied by this Board in the current calendar year for such debt charges, it is possible that the payment of delinquent property taxes might result in incremental Bond Retirement Fund receipts (together with the Current Excess Balance, the Total Excess Balance); and

WHEREAS, Section 5705.14(C)(2) of the Revised Code permits a school district to seek the approval of a county budget commission to transfer money from a bond retirement fund to a "specific permanent improvement fund" when the commission determines that "the money transferred will not be required to meet the obligations payable from the ... bond retirement fund"; and

WHEREAS, given that the conditions of Section 5705.14(C)(2) have been met, and given the permanent improvement needs of the School District, this Board wishes to request such a transfer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Western Reserve Local School District, Counties of Huron and Erie, Ohio, that:

Section 1. Request for Approval to Transfer Total Excess Balance. Pursuant to Section 5705.14(C)(2) of the Revised Code, this Board respectfully requests approval from each of the Huron County Budget Commission and the Erie County Budget Commission to transfer the Total Excess Balance in the Bond Retirement Fund to a special permanent improvement fund. The Treasurer of this Board is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution and

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any necessary supporting documentation to each Budget Commission and to take any and all other actions necessary to effectuate the transfer of funds contemplated by this Resolution, including but not limited to the creation of such a fund and special cost center within the fund, if and to the extent necessary. Upon transfer, the Total Excess Balance is appropriated for permanent improvement purposes.

Section 2. Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 3. 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 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Next Board meeting is January 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School library.

Mr. Todd moved and Mr. Green seconded that the Board go into executive session at 6:33 p.m. for the employment of a public employee.

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Dr. Ommert declared the meeting back to open session at 7:40 p.m.

Mr. Buck moved and Mr. Green seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Roll Call: Mr. Edwards, yes; Mr. Green, yes; Mr. Todd, yes; Mr. Buck, yes; Dr. Ommert, yes. Motion Passed.

Board Treasurer