

The Lowellville Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, August 21, 2019 in the Library/Media Center; President Michael Palumbo presiding. Mr. Palumbo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:	James Alfano - Present	Michael Palumbo - Present
	Sam Ramunno - Present	Brian Wharry – Absent
	Stephanie Yon - Present	

**Minutes:**

(19-08-7422)

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes from the July 17, 2019 Regular Board Meeting:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Sam Ramunno.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

**Treasurer’s Report:**

1. Review July Financial Reports and Agenda Items for Approval.

**Treasurer's Recommendations:**

(19-08-7423)

2. It is recommended that the Board approve the Financial Report, Bills and Payroll for July 2019, as submitted by the Treasurer:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Michael Palumbo seconded Sam Ramunno.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7424)

3. It is recommended that the Board approve the participation in the Bureau of Workers' Compensation School Safety and Security Grant awarded to the Lowellville School District on August 9, 2019:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Sam Ramunno seconded James Alfano.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

**Principal's Report:**

In his Principal's report, Mr. Hynes noted that schedules have been completed and that teacher in-service would be taking place over the next two days. Orientations will take place Thursday evening and open house will be on Friday. We will be ready for the first day of school on Monday.

Mrs. Yon asked what the theme of this year's in-service would be? Mr. Hynes noted that much of the in-service would be focused on awareness and that the Stop the Bleed campaign would be giving a presentation on Friday. The local media has been alerted and there will hopefully be some coverage.

Mrs. Yon asked what the orientation schedule would look like. Mr. Hynes noted the time would be used to meet the teachers, setup lockers, etc.

Mrs. Yon noted that the schedules for orientation and open house were on Facebook and that Facebook questions to the school's account were being answered. Dr. Thomas said that he was responding to questions as they were coming in.

Mr. Alfano asked if anything was being done at the open house to spotlight the new staff members for this school year, specifically the new Guidance Counselors. Mr. Hynes noted that the new Guidance Counselors would be present at the open house and that they are working on their own website this year to provide additional resources.

**Superintendent's Report:**

In his governance report, Dr. Thomas noted that we are waiting to hear exactly how we can use the Student Wellness and Success funds that we will be receiving the next two years as part of the State's biannual budget passed in July. The Mahoning County ESC and OASBO will provide us with additional guidance as they receive it.

Dr. Thomas reviewed the Strategic Planning Committee meeting that took place on August 14<sup>th</sup>. The Committee broke off into small groups and discussed the goals and actions steps. The Committee will be meeting again on September 12<sup>th</sup> to further review these items and move forward with recommendations on changes.

**Committee Reports:**

The Building and Grounds Committee met at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room. The Committee discussed the acceptance of the Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation School Safety and Security Grant and some of the items that would be purchased with it.

The Athletic Committee met at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room. Mr. Alfano reported that the Committee discussed potential scoreboard sponsors.

The Committee also reviewed a proposed athletic budget for the 2019-2020 school year. Mr. Alfano reported that after reviewing last year's actual athletic expenditures and this year's proposed budget numbers, a general fund transfer to subsidize athletics will be necessary each year.

**Old Business:**

Mr. Palumbo noted that the Board of Education golf outing held on Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> went very well.

**New Business:**

Mr. Palumbo mentioned that two poles on South Hubbard Road were in need of repair and wondered if they were property of the District? Dr. Thomas noted that he would look into it.

**President's Report:**

No public comment

**Superintendent's Recommendation:**

(19-08-7425)

1. It is recommended that the Board approve a One Year Limited Contract for Gina DeLuca, (.5 FTE) English/language arts teacher for the 2019-2020 school year and place her at the appropriate step of the Master Contract Salary Schedule:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded James Alfano.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7426)

2. It is recommended that the Board approve Michael Moran as a day-to-day substitute teacher for the 2019- 2020 school year:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Sam Ramunno seconded Mike Palumbo.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7427)

3. It is recommended that the Board rescind the supplemental contract for Nick Lucente, cross country 7 & 8 for the 2019-2020 school year due to lack of participation in the program:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Mike Palumbo seconded Sam Ramunno.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7428)

4. It is recommended that the Board approve Mary Harris as "Cook" for the 2019-2020 school year and place her at the appropriate step of the Classified Agreement Salary Schedule:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded Sam Ramunno.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7429)

5. It is recommended that the Board approve Cheryl Mamula as "Crossing Guard" for the 2019-2020 school year and place her at the appropriate step of the Classified Agreement Salary Schedule:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded Sam Ramunno.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7430)

6. It is recommended that the Board approve Steve Hunt as "Educational Aide" for the 2019-2020 school year and place him at the appropriate step of the Classified Contract Salary Schedule:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Michael Palumbo seconded James Alfano.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7431)

7. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Stefanie Buhecker, "Secretary-Principal" effective September 2, 2019:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Mike Palumbo seconded Stephanie Yon.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7432)

8. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Peace Officers available to work security for Lowellville School events and/or as a School Officer for the 2019-2020 school year:

Chief Elrico Alli	Officer Jeff Lewis	Officer George Stamos
Captain Stacy Karis	Officer Dylan Bell	Officer Patrick Campbell
Officer David Garcia	Officer Keith Brown	Officer Vincent D'Egidio
Officer Charles Butch	Officer Brooke McCon	

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Mike Palumbo seconded James Alfano.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7433)

9. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Building Use Applications:

Lowellville Booster Club	Cornhole Tournament	Gym/Cafe/Football Field 9-8-2019
Lowellville Booster Club	Cowpickens	Football Field/Concession 8-25-2019
Lowellville Youth Football	Games	Football Field/Concession 9-21 & 28-2019
Lowellville Am. Legion	Picnic	Pavilion 8-18-2019
Paul Moracco	Birthday Party	Pavilion 9-1-2019

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Mike Palumbo seconded James Alfano.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7434)

10. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Sales Project Potential:

Jr. High/HS Cheerleaders	Chipotle Night	8-24-2019
Lowellville Volleyball	Chestnut Hill Candle Sales	9-1-2019 - 9-30-2019

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by James Alfano seconded Stephanie Yon.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7435)

11. It is recommended that the Board approve John Thomas (JT) Hvidsak as a HS cross country volunteer for the 2019-2020 school year provided they meet the requirements, prior to working with athletes, set forth by the Lowellville Board of Education, Ohio High School Athletic Association, and the Ohio Department of Education:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Mike Palumbo seconded Stephanie Yon.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7436)

12. It is recommended that the Board approve Robert Layko as a football 7 & 8 volunteer for the 2019-2020 school year provided they meet the requirements, prior to working with athletes, set forth by the Lowellville Board of Education, Ohio High School Athletic Association, and the Ohio Department of Education:

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Mike Palumbo seconded Stephanie Yon.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7437)

13. It is recommended that the Board move into Executive Session. Moved by Mike Palumbo, seconded by Sam Ramunno, Resolved that the Board of Education of the Lowellville School District adjourn to Executive Session at 7:31 p.m. to discuss:

- Personnel matters (individuals need not be named)
- Appointment and/or employment
- Dismissal
- Discipline
- Promotion or demotion
- Compensation
- Investigation of charges and/or complaints
- Purchase or sale of property

- Conferences with legal counsel related to pending or imminent court action
- Negotiations
- Security arrangements
- Economic Development
- Matters required to be kept confidential by state or federal law

Action will not be taken

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

(19-08-7438)

14. It is recommended that the Board return from Executive Session and resume Regular Meeting at 8:19 p.m.

Mr. Palumbo called for a motion to approve. Moved by Mike Palumbo seconded James Alfano.


ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0


(19-08-7439)

15. Adjournment:

Mike Palumbo moved to adjourn at 8:20 pm. Seconded by James Alfano.

ROLL CALL: Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Yon - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 4-0

  
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 President

  
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 Treasurer