

The Lowellville Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 in the Library; President Stephanie Yon presiding. Mrs. Yon called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Stephanie Yon - Present Gerald Dubos - Present
Jennifer Johnson - Present Joseph Sturm - Present
Brian Wharry – Present

Minutes:

(22-07-8173)

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes from the June 22, 2022, Board meeting:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Joseph Sturm.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8174)

2. It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes from the July 20, 2022, Board meeting:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Jennifer Johnson seconded by Gerald Dubos.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

Treasurer’s Report:

1. Mr. Schiraldi reviewed the June financial report with the Board.

Treasurer's Recommendations:

(22-07-8175)

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the financial reports, bills and payroll for June 2022, as submitted by the Treasurer:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8176)

2. It is recommended that the Board approve the Resolution to Proceed to place a Permanent Improvement Levy on the ballot in November 2022:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Joseph Sturm seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8177)

3. It is recommended that the Board approve the following federal programs for the 2023:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

Principal's Report:

1. Literacy Boot Camp for selected students in grades 1 and 2 is scheduled for August 1st-August 12th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. This boot camp will focus on foundational reading skills.
2. Like last year, students in K-3 will be scheduled individual appointment times with their classroom teacher August 22nd-25th in order to complete important beginning of the year assessments. K-3 students will not report to school as a whole group until Friday, August 26th. Completing the assessments at the very beginning of the year will allow teachers to get a jump start on accurately leveling each student to plan for instruction.
3. CCP- A letter was mailed home to parents/guardians of Eastern Gateway CCP students in June reviewing important information that was shared with their students during orientation. The letter included information on how to access courses, attendance requirements, communication, grades, and IT support. By August 1st, students should double check their CCP schedule in My Account to verify EGCC courses. Because we have our own sections, both the Composition and Biology courses begin the week of August 29, 2022. All other online courses begin the week of August 15, 2022. Note-this is before we start back to school at Lowellville. The course will not be accessible until the 1st day of class. Students are expected to log in on day one. Mrs. Yon inquired if this information was sent to parents and Mrs. Parry stated that it was mailed out.
4. Please see the attached (attachment A) schedule of events for the 2022-2023 school year. This is subject to change.

Superintendent's Report:

1. Superintendent Ad-Hoc Safety Committee
 - o Safety and security upgrades for the start of the 2022-2023 school year (see attachment B). Mrs. Sawicki thanked the community for their support and efforts while safety planning took place and it continues. She noted that this would be an ongoing committee and there would be ongoing implementation regarding safety. She noted how the district discussed safety issues with stakeholders, the state, and law enforcement and noted the various factors and viewpoints that played a role. Mrs. Sawicki went through attachment B regarding safety initiatives for the coming year.
2. Treasurer for Levy- Vacancy
 - o Thank you to Dominic Donofrio for the time served as the Treasurer of the Levy Campaign.
3. Village and School District Partnership – Mrs. Sawicki noted that she had a meeting with councilmen on August 3, 2022.
4. Golf Outing- August 7, 2022
 - o 8:00 a.m. shotgun start @ Bedford Trails Golf Course – Mrs. Sawicki noted there were approximately 28 teams signed up and thanked all of the sponsors.

Committee Reports:

1. Extracurricular/club committee – Mrs. Yon provided an overview of the committee meeting. She noted that during the special board meeting on 7/20/22 the board discussed policy updates including parent organization policy updates, and supplemental coaching policy regarding coaching ages which would not be changed at this time. That decision was based on a follow up to the extracurricular/club committee meeting held in June, the AD and administration met to further discuss the request to amend the coaching policy in question. It was concluded per the team that they would not be recommending a change to the Board policy at this time. During the July extracurricular/club committee meeting, the admin (including AD) team reported to the committee their decision about maintaining the current Board policy. The goal is to enforce policies consistently and fairly. The committee also discussed volunteers and chaperones, noting that they would utilize the Raptor system to be screened whereas supplemental or coaching position volunteers must still be Board approved and have background checks. Also, the importance of ensuring the proper credentials of coaches and volunteers. The committee discussed updates and revisions to the athletic handbook, expectations and responsibilities of coaches and advisors, Final Forms, athlete awards which the district is still waiting for them to come in and going back to having 3 sports banquets.

Old Business:

1. Substitute Teacher Pay – Mrs. Sawicki updated that the current district rate is \$70/day, and many schools are increasing to \$100+/day. Due to this the school is partnering with the Mahoning Valley COG and will utilize a Frontline platform where we will be able to pull from a larger pool of substitutes and the substitutes will make \$110/day through the COG.

2. Banner for Music – Mrs. Yon noted that a banner has finally been selected and the ordering is being finalized to be placed in the hall near the high school band room.

New Business:

1. Superintendent and Treasurer Evaluations – Mrs. Yon noted that this process started at the 7/20/22 special meeting. The Board and the two administrators are working on updating the evaluation tools to add more measurability and setting goals.

President's Report:

1. Public comment on agenda items or other school related issues – Mrs. Yon noted that the Board finalized the procedure for public comment and the procedure would be added to the policy to clarify how to get placed on the Board Agenda. This procedure involves reaching out to the Superintendent.

Steve Procić – Mr. Procić thanked the Board for putting a lot of thought into safety and that it seems like for the first time in a while everyone is pulling in the same direction. He noted that this was a good step in the right direction.

Scott Ogle – Mr. Ogle gave accolades to the Board for hiring Mrs. Sawicki and noted that her energies align with the Board. He noted that he appreciates the board listening to the community. His concern moving forward is with safety and open enrollment. In the past it was said that open enrollment candidates would be interviewed and now having over 50% open enrollment it is a safety concern to him. He suggests more a stringent screening process to identify at risk kids. He also noted that it was nice seeing so many people in attendance at the meeting.

Terry Esarco – Mr. Esarco noted that he is glad the district is working on dealing with mental health issues. It is a big issue in the country. He also added that he is a substitute teacher and encouraged others to do so.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

(22-07-8178)

1. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Lea Fabrizzi, elementary Intervention Specialist teacher effective July 26, 2022.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Joseph Sturm.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.

Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8179)

2. It is recommended that the Board rescind the following supplemental contracts for the 2022-2023 school year:

- Lea Fabrizzi- Class Advisor- Grade 12
- Lea Fabrizzi- Volleyball- 7th
- Lisa Doll- Year 2 Mentor (Lea Fabrizzi)

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.

Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8180)

3. It is recommended that the Board approve Alyssa Streb as an **Intervention Specialist teacher** for the 2022-2023 school year and placed at the appropriate step of the certified master contract (MA Step 5).

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Stephanie Yon.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.

Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8181)

4. It is recommended that the Board approve the voluntary transfer of Alina Wittenauer from a 3rd grade teacher to a **2nd grade teacher** for the 2022-2023 school year and placed at the appropriate step of the certified master schedule.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Joseph Sturm.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.

Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8182)

5. It is recommended that the Board approve Amanda Signor as a **3rd grade teacher** for the 2022-2023 school year and placed at the appropriate step of the certified master contract (BA Step 5).

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Joseph Sturm seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.

Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8183)

6. It is recommended that the Board approve the voluntary transfer of April Purtee from a van driver and cafeteria aide “as needed” to a **Special Education Aide** for the 2022-2023 school year and placed at the appropriate step of the classified master contract.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Stephanie Yon.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.

Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8184)

7. It is recommended that the Board approve the voluntary transfer of Marcella Bedoya from a cafeteria aide to a **Special Education Aide** for the 2022-2023 school year and placed at the appropriate step of the classified master contract.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Joseph Sturm.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8185)

8. It is recommended that the Board approve the voluntary transfer of Toni Lanterman from an educational aide and a cafeteria aide “as needed” to the **van driver** for the 2022-2023 school year and placed at the appropriate step of the classified master contract.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Stephanie Yon.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8186)

9. It is recommended that the Board approve Carrine Esenwein as a **long-term substitute teacher (high school Intervention Specialist)** for the 2022-2023 school year. Compensation for days 1-60 will be paid at a rate of \$70 per day. Then, beginning day 61 for this position, compensation will be in accordance with Ohio Revised Code regarding long-term substitute teachers and per the salary schedule in the certified master contract.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8187)

10. It is recommended that the Board approve Jennifer Lane as the **Central Office Secretary** for the 2022-2023 school year, effective August 8, 2022, with a salary of \$39,000. This is an exempt position.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Joseph Sturm.

Mrs. Yon asked for clarification on exempt. Mrs. Sawicki noted the position was non-union.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8188)

11. It is recommended that the Board approve Emily Lisowski as an **Intervention Specialist teacher** for the 2022-2023 school year and placed at the appropriate step of the certified master contract (BA Step 1).

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Joseph Sturm seconded by Stephanie Yon.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8189)

12. It is recommended that the Board approve Chad Likens as Cafeteria Aide (during the lunch hours) for the 2022-2023 school year and placed at the appropriate step in the classified master contract.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8190)

13. It is recommended that the Board approve a \$15,000 stipend for Fred Schriener for the 2022-2023 school year to serve as the **Facilities Manager**.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Joseph Sturm seconded by Brian Wharry.

Mr. Dubos noted that recently there has been a misunderstanding on who is responsible for the grounds and thanked Fred for everything he does for the district and how hard he's been working all summer.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8191)

14. It is recommended that the Board approve the following supplemental positions for the 2022-2023 school year and placed at the appropriate step of the Master Contract salary schedule:

- Mia DiRienzo Olson - Drama Club Advisor- 8%
- Mia DiRienzo Olson- Future Teachers of America Advisor- 1%
- Mia DiRienzo Olson- Italian Club Advisor- 1%
- Sara Sandora- Danceline Advisor- 5%
- Robbin Carlos- Wellness Program- 1%
- Lisa Doll- Year 2 Mentor (Emily Lisowski)- 2%

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded Joseph Sturm.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8192)

15. It is recommended that the Board approve the A La Cart price increases as noted below for the 2022-2023 school year:

- Extra Breakfast Entrée: \$1 for K-12
- Extra Lunch Entrée: was \$.75 for EL and \$1 for HS; increase to \$1.50 for K-12
- Parfaits: was \$1.25; increase to \$1.50
- Cheez-its and grandma cookies: was \$.50; increase to \$.75
- Chips and fruit snacks: was \$.75; increase to \$1
- Sparkling Ice and Gatorade: was \$1.75; increase to \$2

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Joseph Sturm.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8193)

16. It is recommended that the Board approve the 2022-2023 Elementary (K-6) and High School (7-12) Student/Parent Handbooks as submitted.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Joseph Sturm seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

Mrs. Yon noted that the Board was sent copies and highlighted that hoodies would no longer be permitted and changes to athlete arrival times. Mrs. Sawicki noted that most changes were housekeeping items, enforcing policies such as the cellphone policy, and that the principals will have class meetings with the students to go over handbooks.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8194)

17. It is recommended that the Board approve the 2022-2023 bus routes as submitted (routes are subject to change based on any new enrollments).

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8195)

18. It is recommended that the Board accept the terms of the tentative agreement with the Lowellville School K-12 Classified Employees as submitted and enter into an MOU extending the existing Classified contract for two years:

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Jennifer Johnson seconded by Stephanie Yon.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8196)

19. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Chad Richards, grounds maintenance, effective immediately.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Joseph Sturm seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8197)

20. It is recommended that the Board enter into a monthly rental agreement (as submitted) with CEIA USA for the rental of two OPENGATE portable weapon detector units and the cost of the initial training, effective immediately.

Monthly rental fee- \$1,000 per unit x 2 units = \$2,000 per month
One time training fee- \$2,200

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Jennifer Johnson seconded by Brian Wharry.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8198)

21. It is recommended that the Board approve the field trip to the Rock n Roll Hall of Fame on Saturday, August 13, 2022 for the History of Rock n Roll/Choir class. This was rescheduled from May 5, 2022.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8199)

22. It is recommended that the Board approved the revised (7/20/22) service agreement with the Educational Service Center of Eastern Ohio for the 2022-2023 school year as submitted. The revised agreement includes services for the substitute management system.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Gerald Dubos seconded by Joseph Sturm.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8200)

23. It is recommended that the Board approve the revisions to Board Policy BDDH (KD), Public Participation at Board Meetings as submitted.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Joseph Sturm seconded by Stephanie Yon.

Mrs. Yon read the new procedure - Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of calling the Board Office to request to be placed on the regular agenda at the Superintendent's discretion.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8201)

24. It is recommended that the Board approve the revisions to Board Policy JP, Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (Restraint and Seclusion) as submitted.

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Joseph Sturm.

Mrs. Yon requesting clarification. Mrs. Sawicki noted that this is required by law and these are general changes that outlines the framework.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8202)

25. It is recommended that the Board approve the following supplementals and placed at the appropriate percentage on the Master Contract provided she/he meet the requirements, prior to working with students, set forth by the Lowellville Board of Education, the Ohio High School Athletic Association and the Ohio Department of Education:

Football- 7 and 8 Head- 9%- Bob Dutton

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Joseph Sturm seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8203)

26. It is recommended that the Board approve the following supplementals and placed at the appropriate percentage on the Master Contract provided she/he meet the requirements, prior to working with students, set forth by the Lowellville Board of Education, the Ohio High School Athletic Association and the Ohio Department of Education:

Football- 7 and 8 Assistant- 8%-Jeff Lane

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Gerald Dubos.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8204)

27. It is recommended that the Board approve the following supplementals and placed at the appropriate percentage on the Master Contract provided she/he meet the requirements, prior to working with students, set forth by the Lowellville Board of Education, the Ohio High School Athletic Association and the Ohio Department of Education:

Volleyball- 7th- 8%- Alyssa Streb

Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Stephanie Yon seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8205)

28. It is recommended that the Board move into Executive Session. Moved by Joseph Sturm, seconded by Jennifer Johnson, resolved that the Board of Education of the Lowellville School District adjourn to Executive Session at 7:52 p.m. to discuss:

1. The appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of an employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against an employee, official, licensee or student, unless the employee, official, licensee or student requests a public hearing;
2. The purchase of property for public purposes or the sale of property at competitive bidding;
3. Conferences with the board's attorney to discuss matters which are the subject of pending or imminent court action;
4. Preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees;
5. Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes;
6. Specialized details of security arrangements.

Action will not be taken

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

(22-07-8206)

29. It is recommended that the Board return from Executive Session and resume Board Meeting at 8:20 p.m.:

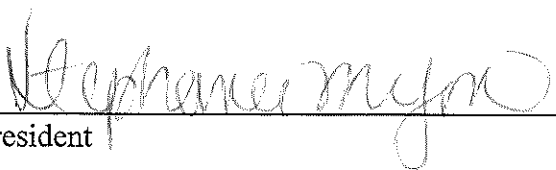
Mrs. Yon called for a motion to approve. Moved by Brian Wharry seconded by Gerald Dubos.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.

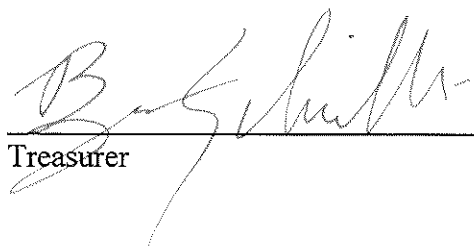
30. Adjournment:

Stephanie Yon moved to adjourn at 8:21 pm. Seconded by Jennifer Johnson.

ROLL CALL: Johnson - Sturm - Wharry – Yon – Dubos - All Aye.
Stephanie Yon declared motion carried 5-0.



President



Treasurer