

The Lowellville Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019 in the Library/Media Center; President Michael Palumbo presiding. Mr. Palumbo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

**Minutes:**

(19-09-7440)

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes from the August 21, 2019 Regular Board Meeting:

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

ROLL CALL: Yon - Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Wharry - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

**Treasurer's Report:**

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

**Treasurer's Recommendations:**

(19-09-7441)

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

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

ROLL CALL: Yon - Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Wharry - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7442)

3. It is recommended that the Board accept the audit engagement from the Ohio Auditor of State for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 as proposed in the Auditor's engagement letter dated August 29, 2019:

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

ROLL CALL: Yon - Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Wharry - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

**Principal's Report:**

In his Principal's report, Mr. Hynes noted that the school year is off to a great start and everything seems to be running smoothly for both students and staff.

**Superintendent's Report:**

In his governance report, Dr. Thomas noted that the State Board of Education is scheduled to vote next week on a resolution recommending changes to Ohio's third grade reading guarantee law to require intensive reading supports further into students' careers and give schools more flexibility in exempting students whose first language isn't English.

Dr. Thomas reviewed the Strategic Planning Committee meeting that took place on September 12th. The Committee recommended edits to the strategic plan at the meeting. There is a meeting scheduled with staff members on October 7<sup>th</sup> to review the edited plan and recommend responsible parties and timelines to accomplish the new and previous goals. We are hoping that the plan will be ready for the Board's consideration at the October 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

**Committee Reports:**

The Building and Grounds Committee met on September 12<sup>th</sup> in the conference room. Mr. Palumbo reported that several benches have been vandalized and broken at Old School Park. Dr. Thomas is working on getting prices on repairing or replacing the benches.

The Committee discussed purchasing a large Lowellville logo decal to go on the middle of the Cafetorium floor. A picture of the decal was passed around for the Board to review.

The Committee discussed purchasing Learning Trails decals to go in the elementary hallway. They were presented with some sample decals but would like to have more specific samples before making a decision on purchasing them.

The Seniors made a request to Mr. Hynes to paint their parking spots and individualize them. The Board was unsure how it felt about this and considered putting it to a vote at a future meeting.

Mr. Wharry noted that the sliding board on the elementary playground was broken. Dr. Thomas stated that he would look into it and get it fixed.

Dr. Thomas noted that he is waiting on a quote from Penn Ohio regarding maintaining the hillside instead of just getting it cut down in the Spring and Fall. He will bring the quote to the next Buildings & Grounds meeting.

Mrs. Yon asked if we were regularly watering the football field as there were brown patches at the last home game. Dr. Thomas noted that our water wheel was broke and has now been repaired. He also noted that we got some much needed rain since the last game.

Mrs. Yon asked if we have received the funds from the Ohio BWC Grant yet. Mr. Cene said that we have not but we are expecting an EFT and our bank accounts are being checked daily.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**President's Report:**

Public Comment -

Mrs. Julie Diloreto asked what the names of the decals that were being considered for the elementary hallways were. Mr. Palumbo noted that they were called Learning Trails and she was shown the examples that the Board was given.

Mr. Craig Kumer said that he heard that the school ran out of food during the 4<sup>th</sup> grade lunch period. Mr. Hynes noted that he was unaware of that and that there was another lunch period after the 4<sup>th</sup> graders eat, but he would look into it.

Mr. Kumer said that his 4<sup>th</sup> grade daughter told him that they had to have a "silent lunch." Mr. Hynes noted that the students in that lunch period got very loud one day and they were told to spend the last ten minutes of lunch in silence as a discipline. The lunch room was back to normal the next day.

**Superintendent's Recommendation:**

(19-09-7443)

1. It is recommended that the Board approve Pam Iarussi as Mentor Year 1, assigned to Makayla Ginnis, for the 2019-2020 school year:

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7444)

2. It is recommended that the Board approve Jared Van Kirk as Mentor Year 1, assigned to McKenzie Moore, for the 2019-2020 school year:

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7445)

3. It is recommended that the Board approve Lucy Bartlett as Mentor Year 1, assigned to Gina DeLuca, for the 2019-2020 school year:

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7446)

4. It is recommended that the Board approve Jamie Walski as Mentor Year 2, assigned to Dominique Weldon, for the 2019-2020 school year:

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7447)

5. It is recommended that the Board approve Stephanie Novak, "Secretary-Principal" and EMIS Coordinator effective September 9, 2019 for a one year limited contract and placed at the appropriate step on the Classified Agreement salary schedule:

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7448)

6. It is recommended that the Board approve Chad Richard, "Grounds Maintenance" for the 2019-2020 school year:

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7449)

7. It is recommended that the Board approve Matt Olson, "Basketball-Boys Varsity" for the 2019-2020 school year and placed at the appropriate percentage on the Master Contract provided 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:

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7450)

8. It is recommended that the Board approve Zac Carr, "Basketball-Boys 7th" for the 2019-2020 school year and placed at the appropriate percentage on the Master Contract provided 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

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7451)

9. It is recommended that the Board approve the Gifted Plan and Policy as submitted:

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7452)

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

Character Avengers	Avenger Assemblies	Cafetorium	Various Dates 19/20
Class of 2021	Bonfire	Parking Lot	10/3/19
Class of 2021	Homecoming Dance	Gym/Cafetorium/Stage	10/5/19
Drama Club	Weekly Meetings	Stage	Wednesdays 19/20
Lowellville PTO	Cookie/Paint	Cafetorium	9/27/19

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7453)

11. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Sales Project Potentials:

Class of 2021	Homecoming Ticket Sales	9/16/19-10/1/19
Class of 2022	Carnation Sale	10/18/2019

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7454)

12. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Field Trip Requests:

Kindergarten	Countryside Farms	10/25/2019
1st/2nd Grades	Iron Mills Homestead	10/17/19
3rd Grade	YSU Moser Mineral Museum	10/16/19

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7455)

13. It is recommended that the Board approve Rebecca Andes as a substitute teacher pending the submission of employment documents required by the Lowellville Local Schools and the ODE:

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

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7456)

14. It is recommended that the Board approve John Vicarel as a substitute teacher pending the submission of employment documents required by the Lowellville Local Schools and the ODE:

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

ROLL CALL: Yon - Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Wharry - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7457)

15. It is recommended that the Board move into Executive Session. Moved by Stephanie Yon , seconded by Sam Ramunno, Resolved that the Board of Education of the Lowellville School District adjourn to Executive Session at 7:26 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: Yon - Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Wharry - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7458)

16. It is recommended that the Board return from Executive Session and resume Regular Meeting at 8:16 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL: Yon - Alfano - Palumbo - Ramunno - Wharry - All Aye.  
Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

(19-09-7459)

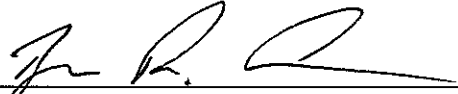
17. Adjournment:

Brian Wharry moved to adjourn at 8:17 pm. Seconded by Sam Ramunno.

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

Mr. Palumbo declared motion carried. 5-0

  
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President

  
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Treasurer

