# NOTICE

## WESTERN RESERVE
## BOARD OF EDUCATION

# Regular Meeting

# Thursday, March 15, 2018

# 6:00 pm

## *K-12 BUILDING LIBRARY*

# WESTERN RESERVE LOCAL SCHOOLS

## BOARD AGENDA

**March 15, 2018**
**6:00 P.M.**
**K-12 Building Library**

**ROLL CALL**

Mark Halls, President
Melissa Potts, Vice-President
Richard Blevins
Lisa Powell
Tracy Sinn

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

### WESTERN RESERVE LOCAL SCHOOLS
### MISSION STATEMENT

**The Western Reserve Local Schools learning community will provide a safe, positive and stimulating school environment. Within this environment, responsible leadership, instruction and learning for all will prevail. It is the responsibility of all students, staff, parents, and community members to help our students reach high expectations set by realistic goals. We believe ALL are responsible for meeting the individual needs of each student. The district staff is committed to the professional development needed to accomplish their mission, and the task of monitoring the success is proudly shared by ALL.**

**Students will be challenged to reach their highest potential, to learn to work respectfully with others, to think critically and to confidently adapt to growth. The students will gain the skills necessary to become responsible, productive citizens and lifelong learners within a changing society.**

**TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. It is recommended that the minutes of the February 8, 2018 Regular Meeting of the Western Reserve Local Board of Education be approved as mailed to each member in advance of the meeting.

   Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
   Vote: Ayes - Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn
   The President declared the motion carried - failed.

2. It is recommended that the February, 2018 financial reports be approved and the February listing of bills be approved as mailed to each member in advance of the meeting.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. It is recommended that the 2018-2019 Interdistrict and Intradistrict Open Enrollment procedures of the Western Reserve Local School District be sent to The Ohio Department of Education to verify compliance with the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Administrative Code, and the State Board of Education rules (attachment).

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

2. It is recommended to approve a one year agreement with Hahlen's Turf Care, LLC for vegetation control of the campus.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

3. It is recommended that the Board approve a calamity day on February 7, 2018, due to inclement weather conditions.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

4. It is recommended that the following Resolution from OSBA be approved supporting school safety and reducing violence in schools:

WHEREAS, school violence has become an epidemic in the United States of America;
WHEREAS, the children and school employees of our nation deserve to attend school without fear of death or injury, and their families deserve to send them to school without the same fear;
WHEREAS, there is a mutual responsibility of all citizens to address this problem and the responsibility for preventing violent incidents cannot be relegated to school districts alone;
WHEREAS, multiple studies have shown that the majority of Americans support action to eliminate violence in our schools;
WHEREAS, school board members, administrators, employees and community members should work together with lawmakers, legal counsel, law enforcement and security experts to determine how best to ensure student safety in their district;
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Western Reserve Local School Board of Education implores the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of Ohio, the United States Congress, and the Ohio General Assembly to prioritize the protection of students and school employees by enacting legislation with funding for the following:

1. Enhanced mental health services and substance abuse treatment so that all individuals, including children, have sufficient access to these services.

2. Increased access to school safety measures, including, but not limited to, School Resource Officers (SROs), school safety infrastructure, and other security measures designed to protect students and staff from an active shooter on school grounds.

3. Training for school employees and enhanced coordination with law enforcement agencies and first responders to ensure appropriate responses to incidents of violence in schools.

4. Preserving the balance between the right to own firearms and the protection of students and school employees from any act of violence.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

5. It is recommended that the Memorandum of Understanding with Stark State College regarding College Credit Plus be approved. (attachment)

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

6. It is recommended that the Memorandum of Understanding with Eastern Gateway Community College regarding College Credit Plus be approved. (attachment)

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

7. It is recommended that a five-year contract as Treasurer be approved for Cathy Romack, effective August 1, 2018, at step 5 of the current salary schedule in effect. (attachment)

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

8. It is recommended to approve Dave Bortmas' request for an unpaid leave of absence effective February 27, 2018 through June 30, 2018. (attachment)

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

9. It is recommended to add Amanda Lacusky to the Certified Substitute List.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

10. It is recommended to add Tyler Fortunato to the Athletic Worker List.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

11. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Resolution

WHEREAS, the Ohio House of Representatives is currently considering legislation that would consolidate the Ohio Department of Education, the Ohio Department of Higher Education and the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation into a new state agency called the Department of Learning and Achievement; and

WHEREAS, the proposal transfers nearly all the duties and authority of the State Board of Education and the superintendent of public instruction to the new state agency; and

WHEREAS, this proposal was drafted without the input of students, parents, educators, administrators, schools, school districts, superintendents and board members, all of whom would be negatively affected by the bill; and

WHEREAS, this legislation creates an environment in which the unique needs of students, educators, parents and school districts will be lost within an expanded bureaucracy, and the role and authority of the elected members of the State Board of Education would be undermined by stripping the board of nearly all its duties; and

WHEREAS, supporters of the bill cite a lack of communication among state education agencies as the key source of Ohio's education problems, but effective collaboration and cooperation is already occurring, and each school district strives to effectively prepare its students for college or a career; and

WHEREAS, important decisions on topics like school funding, graduation requirements, report cards and state assessments would be made by politically appointed, unelected staff with little to no accountability and under a process with almost no public input; and

WHEREAS, public education is at its best when the interests of the people are served through publicly elected boards, and the State Board of Education is no exception; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Western Reserve Local Board of Education does express its opposition to this legislation, HB 512; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the treasurer be directed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of the board of education and that copies of the resolution be forwarded to members of the Ohio House of Representatives and the Ohio Senate.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

12. It is recommended to approve the following Policy Revisions:

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| EBC | Emergency Management Safety Plans |
| EBC-R | Safety Rules and Protocols |
| EEACD-R | Drug Testing for District Personnel required to hold a CDL |
| GBK | Smoking on District Property by Staff |
| KGC | Smoking on District Property |
| JED | Student Absences and Excuses |
| JECAA | Admission of Homeless Students |

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

**BUILDING PRINCIPAL REPORTS:**

**K-5**

**6-12**

**REPORTS:**

**TOWR**
**OAPSE**
**PTO**
**ATHLETIC**

**SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

In order to effectively complete the items on the planned agenda, a maximum of 30 minutes of public participation may be permitted. Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Community members may address the Board meeting by either calling the Board Office and asking to be placed on the Board agenda or by filling out a "request to speak" card at the meeting and give it to a school administrator asking to address the school Board.

13. It is recommended to move into Executive Session to consider the employment and/or dismissal of a public employee. No action will be taken.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

14. _____ Motion to reconvene to Regular Session _____ seconded.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mr.Halls Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

**ROLL CALL:** MH / MP / RB / LP / TS

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Moved by _____, seconded by _____.
Vote: Ayes - Mrs.Potts Mrs.Powell Mr.Sinn Mr.Blevins Mr.Halls
The President declared the motion carried - failed.

**WESTERN RESERVE LOCAL SCHOOLS**
**VISION STATEMENT**

**With a commitment from the community, all Western Reserve students will demonstrate lifelong learning strategies that use problem solving and creative thinking skills in an effective manner. The learning environment will foster mutual respect, self-esteem, positive attitudes, independence and a genuine enthusiasm for learning. Further more, all students will achieve an understanding of challenging material in a safe, supportive environment where teaching methods will be diverse, inspiring and effective.**