

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOARDMAN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO**

Jan. 27, 2014

The regular January meeting of the Board of Education of the Boardman Local School District was held at Boardman High School, 7777 Glenwood Ave., Youngstown, Ohio 44512 on Monday, Jan. 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Niklaus E. Amstutz, President.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Mr. Niklaus E. Amstutz: present, Mr. Alfred H. Davis, Jr.: present, Ms. Victoria L. Davis: present, Mr. John P. Landers: present, Mrs. Kimberly S. Poma: present.

Also present: Superintendent: Mr. Frank Lazzeri  
Treasurer: Mr. Richard R. Santilli  
Director of Operations: Mr. Tim Saxton  
Director of Instruction: Dr. Linda Ross  
H.S. Principal: Mr. Jared Cardillo

The Board recognized students who performed music from *Phantom of the Opera*.

**Citizens Addressing Board**

**Candice LaRocca**, High School parent - school policy regarding bring your own device and failure to comply.

**Approval of Agenda/Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Landers, seconded by Mrs. Poma to recommend that the Board approve the consent agenda.

Roll Call: Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis: V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye.

Motion approved.

14-22  
Agenda/  
Consent Agenda

**Consent Agenda – Mr. Niklaus E. Amstutz**

A motion was made by Ms. V. Davis, seconded by Mr. Landers to recommend that the following items in the consent agenda be approved.

- 14-23  
Consent
1. **Minutes of the Regular Dec. 16, 2013 Meeting and Jan. 11, 2014 Organizational Meeting**
  2. **Financial Reports**
  3. **Invoices of Payment**
  4. **Monthly Investments**
  5. **Resignation – Administrative Staff**
    - a. **David Smercansky** – Athletic Director, effective December 31, 2014, retirement.
  6. **Resignation - Certified Staff**
    - a. **Melissa Loew** – Market Street 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher, effective December 31, 2013.
  7. **Resignation – Classified Staff**
    - a. **Francis Buckley** – District Bus Driver, effective February 1, 2014, retirement.
    - b. **Gina Cucitrone** – West Boulevard Teacher Aide, effective December 30, 2013, other employment.

8. **Resignation**– On Staff Supplemental Contract
  - a. **Laura Pfahler**, Crier Business Manager, effective December 16, 2013.
9. **Leave of Absence** – Certificated Staff
  - a. **Stacey Hunter** - It is recommended that Mrs. Hunter be granted an unpaid first year parental leave of absence from January 27, 2014 through March 28, 2014.
10. **Appointment** – Administrative Staff
  - a. **Denise Gorski** – It is recommended that Mrs. Gorski be granted a 3 year contract as Athletic Director effective July 1, 2014. Mrs. Gorski will be placed at Step 4 of the Board approved administrative salary schedule for the 2014-2015 school year. Mrs. Gorski is replacing David Smercansky.
11. **Appointments** – Classified Staff
  - a. **Audrey Allen** – It is recommended that Mrs. Allen be granted a limited contract as a teacher aide at Boardman High School effective January 6, 2014. Mrs. Allen will be paid at Step 1 of the Board approved teacher aide schedule prorated for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year. This is a new position.
  - b. **Cory Beight** – It is recommended that Mr. Beight be granted a limited contract as a night custodian at Glenwood Middle School effective January 6, 2014. Mr. Beight will be placed at Step 1 of the Board approved middle school night custodian salary schedule prorated for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year. Mr. Beight is replacing Donald Schneider.
  - c. **Candace Greene** – It is recommended that Mrs. Greene be granted a limited contract as a secretary at Center Middle School effective February 3, 2014. Mrs. Greene will be paid at Step 1 of the Board approved 210 day general office secretary schedule prorated for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year. Mrs. Greene is replacing Sharon Texter.
  - d. **Patricia Harris** – It is recommended that Mrs. Harris be granted a limited contract as a full contract bus aide effective January 6, 2014. Mrs. Harris will be paid at Step 1 of the Board approved bus aide salary schedule prorated for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year. This is a new position to accommodate students attending PACE Alternative School.
12. **Appointment** – Off Staff Supplemental
  - a. **Katelyn DeLadurantey**, High School Speech Assistant (Split) – 2%
  - b. **Joseph Lamping**, High School Speech Assistant (Split) – 2%
13. **Appointments** – On Staff Volunteer Coaches
  - a. **Dayna Daltorio**, High School Volunteer Indoor Track Coach
  - b. **Denise Gorski**, High School Volunteer Indoor Track Coach
  - c. **Stacey Hunter**, High School Volunteer Indoor Track Coach
  - d. **John Phillips, Jr.**, High School Volunteer Indoor Track Coach
  - e. **Whitney Resch**, High School Volunteer Indoor Track Coach
  - f. **Richard Sybert**, High School Volunteer Indoor Track Coach
14. **Appointments** – Off Staff Volunteer Coaches
  - a. **John Fleet**, Glenwood Middle Volunteer Wrestling Coach
  - b. **John Pallini**, High School Volunteer Indoor Track Coach
  - c. **John Phillips, Sr.**, High School Volunteer Indoor Track Coach
15. **Stipends** – It is recommended that a stipend be paid to the following individuals for time spent working on the Winter Choral Concert. These payments are taken from concert proceeds.
  - a. **Wendy Crist** - \$30.00
  - b. **Moris Jadue** - \$67.50
  - c. **Mary Beth Shobel** - \$67.50

16. **Stipend** – It is recommended that a stipend be paid to the following individual for time spent working on the Choral Music Madrigal dinner. This payment is taken from concert proceeds.
  - a. **Nicholas Opritza** - \$100.00
17. **Certificated and Classified Substitutes** – It is recommended that the certificated and classified substitutes be approved for the 2013-2014 school year.
18. **Community Education** – It is recommended that the Community Education instructors be approved and paid at the rate of compensation per Board policy.

Roll Call: Landers: aye, Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye.

Motion approved.

#### **Treasurer's Business** – Mr. Richard R. Santilli

A motion was made by Mr. Landers, seconded by Mrs. Poma to recommend that the Board accept the following donations: 14-24  
Donations

1. **To Center Middle School Social Studies Department** - \$250 from Scheetz, Inc. to be used toward the purchase of an electric light magnifying object projector.
2. **To Boardman Local School District** – police radio from Boardman Township Trustees/Police Department to be used by Jeff Lane, Supervisor of Security.

Roll Call: Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye.

Motion approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Ms. V. Davis to recommend that the Board establish the following new accounts. The accounts will be used for receipts and expenditures of the funds. 14-25  
New  
Accounts

1. **Stadium Drive PTA Dr. James Chengelis Memorial Scholarship Fund** – account#007-9797.
2. **Capital Projects** – account #070-9914.

Roll Call: Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye.

Motion approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Poma, seconded by Mr. Landers to recommend that the Treasurer purchase membership in the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) for 2014 on behalf OSBA of the Board of Education. The fee is \$5,694.00. 14-26  
Membership

Roll Call: Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye.

Motion approved.

#### **Superintendent's Business** – Mr. Frank P. Lazzeri

A motion was made by Mr. Landers, seconded by Ms. V. Davis to recommend that the Board adopt the revisions to the following Board Policies: 14-27  
Board  
Policies

1. Policy DN – **School Properties Disposal**
2. Policy EEA – **Student Transportation Services**
3. Policy EEAA – **Eligibility Zone for Pupil Transportation**
4. Policy EEAC – **School Bus Safety Program**
5. Policy EEACD – **Drug Testing for District Personnel Required to Hold a Commercial Driver's License**
6. Policy EEACD-P – **Drug Testing for District Personnel Required to Hold a Commercial Driver's License**
7. Policy GBS – **Health Insurance Portability and Accountability (HIPAA)**
8. Policy GBS-E – **Notice of Privacy Practices**

9. Policy JECBA – **Admission of Exchange Students**

10. Policy JECBB – **Admission of Interdistrict Transfer Students**

11. Policy IGAF – **Physical Education**

Roll Call: Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye.

Motion approved.

A motion was made by Ms. V. Davis, seconded by Mrs. Poma to recommend that the Board approve an agreement between Youngstown State University Research Foundation and Boardman Local Schools to offer a seven week workshop to be held at West Blvd. School beginning February 5, 2014 through March 24, 2014 from 3:15 – 5:15 to provide professional development for teachers to enhance reading instruction in the elementary grades. The Fundamentals in Reading Instruction Workshop will be fully funded by Title II-A funds, Improving Teacher Quality.

14-28  
Professional Development Workshop

Roll Call: Landers: aye, Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye.

Motion approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Landers, seconded by Mr. Davis to recommend that the following individuals be employed as on-line elective instructors for the second semester of the 2013-2014 school year. These individuals will be paid \$50 per student with a cap of 45 students.

14-29  
On-Line Elective Instructors

1. **Alyssa Calautti**, Art Appreciation (split)
2. **James Cliff**, Art Appreciation (split)
3. **Shana Craig-Yardas**, Employability Skills
4. **Ryan Stowell**, Music Appreciation

Roll Call: Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye.

Motion approved.

A motion was made by Ms. V. Davis, seconded by Mr. Landers to recommend that the Board approve the employment of a substitute teacher to work with small groups of High School “at risk” sophomores, plus juniors and seniors who have not passed one or more sections of the Ohio Graduation Test. This teacher will be employed for a maximum of 23 days from February 3, 2014 through March 7, 2014 and will be paid at the Board approved substitute teacher rate.

14-30  
OGT Intervention

Roll Call: Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye.

Motion approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Poma, seconded by Ms. V. Davis to recommend that the Board approve the employment of **Gary Ford** as a physical education teacher at Boardman High School for 75 hours at a rate of \$18.41 per hour to provide instruction to students for physical education credit recovery. Tuition will be charged for this class, which will be held after regular school hours.

14-31  
P.E. Credit Recovery Teacher

Roll Call: Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye.

Motion approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Landers to recommend that the Board approve **Anthony Alvino** as a Credentialed Principal Evaluator for the Boardman School District. Mr. Alvino has completed training and has obtained the proper certification to be an OPES evaluator.

14-32  
OPES Credentialed Evaluator

Roll Call: Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye.

Motion approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Landers, seconded by Ms. V. Davis to recommend that the Board approve the Kindergarten Handbook for school year 2014-2015. The Board has had an opportunity to review this handbook.

14-33  
Kindergarten Handbook

Roll Call: Landers: aye, Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye.

Motion approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Landers, seconded by Ms. V. Davis to recommend that the Board adopt the Right to Read Resolution for the 2013-2014 school year.  
Roll Call: Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye.  
Motion approved.

14-34  
Right to Read  
Resolution

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mrs. Poma to recommend that the Board adopt a resolution submitting to the electors of the school district the question of the renewal of an emergency tax levy, providing for the emergency requirements of the school district. This levy produces \$1,468,744 each year for a 3 year period. The rate is 1.8 mills.

14-35  
Tax Levy  
Renewal

Roll Call: Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye.  
Motion approved

A motion was made by Mr. Landers, seconded by Ms. V. Davis to recommend that the Board adopt a resolution submitting to the electors of the school district the question of the renewal of an emergency tax levy, providing for the emergency requirements of the school district. This levy produces \$1,999,547 each year for a 5 year period. The rate is 2.4 mills.

14-36  
Tax Levy  
Renewal

Roll Call: Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye.  
Motion approved

A motion was made by Ms. V. Davis, seconded by Mr. Landers to recommend that the Board grant the following recognition:

14-37  
Recognition

1. **Boardman Rotary Club** – It is recommended that the Board recognize the Boardman Rotary Club for the club's efforts in the collection and distribution of food baskets to approximately fifty Boardman School families.
2. **Student/Staff** – It is recommended that the Board grant recognition to those persons honored for their collective and/or individual accomplishments. A certificate or letter will be presented on the Board's behalf.

Roll Call: Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye.  
Motion approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Landers, seconded by Ms. V. Davis to recommend that the Board adopt the 2014-2015 school calendar.

14-38  
2014-2015  
Calendar

Roll Call: Landers: aye, Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye.  
Motion approved.

A motion was made by Ms. V. Davis, seconded by Mrs. Poma to recommend that the Board enter into a five year government lease with Key Government Finance for network upgrades, V.O.I.P. hardware, and software installation in all buildings. This lease will be at a cost of \$3,400.37 per month.

14-39  
V.O.I.P.  
Lease

Roll Call: Poma: aye, Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye.  
Motion approved.

**Information Items**

A. **January 2014 Board of Education Recognition Month** – Mr. Frank Lazzeri

B. **Calendar of Events**

Thursday, Jan. 30	7:00 p.m.	BHS Link Crew Mr. Spartan Pageant, BPAC
Saturday, Feb. 8	7:00 p.m.	BHS Sweetheart Ball, BHS Cafeteria
Thursday, Feb. 13		Kindergarten Registration
Thursday, Feb. 13	3:00 – 9:30 p.m.	Conference Night
Friday, Feb. 14		No Classes
Monday, Feb. 17		President’s Day , No Classes
Saturday, Feb. 22	2:00 p.m.	NHS Dinner for Veterans/Active Soldiers, BHS cafeteria
Thurs., Feb. 27	7:00 p.m.	Eighth Grade Parent Orientation, BPAC

**Reports**

A. **Legislative Liaison** – Ms. Victoria L. Davis: HB264 – Diabetes Bill; HB211 – State Lottery Report, funds to schools; SB167 – Zero Tolerance; HB193 – Delay online assessment, textbook selection; SB190 – Charter Schools.

**Other**

A. **President’s Comments** – Mr. Niklaus E. Amstutz:

1. Waiver Day Update, Dr. Ross
2. Mahoning County Board Meeting
3. Thanked Mr. Cardillo for board meeting held at High School

A motion was made by Mr. Landers, seconded by Ms. V. Davis to recommend that the meeting be adjourned.

14-40  
Adjournment

Roll Call: Amstutz: aye, Davis, F: aye, Davis, V: aye, Landers: aye, Poma: aye.

Motion approved.

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President

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Treasurer