

WEST BRANCH LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

FEBRUARY 18, 2016, 7:30 P.M.

WEST BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL – MEDIA CENTER

Work-Study Session

5:30 P. M.

ROLL CALL:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. January 12, 2016 special meeting minutes (work session)
2. January 12, 2016 organizational meeting minutes
3. January 27, 2016 special meeting minutes (work session)
4. January 27, 2016 regular meeting minutes

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT:

1. Recommend approval of financial report for month of January 2016.
2. Recommend approval of accounts payable; payroll and benefits expenditures for January 2016.
3. Recommend approval of advances and advance returns for January 2016.
4. Recommend approval of appropriations for January 2016.
5. Recommend approval of an amended certificate of resources for January 2016.
6. Recommend approval of a resolution to participate in the 2016 – 2017 Cooperative School Bus Purchasing Program and to provide authorization to the Ohio Schools Council to advertise and receive bids on behalf of the Board of Education for the cooperative purchase of bus chassis and bodies. There is no service fee to participate in the program (prior years fees were \$325).

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

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| 1. MCESC | \$9,032.82 | (Title IIA Services) |
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RECOGNITIONS:

1. Advisor McKenzie Wallace and Student Council members for Homecoming. Congratulations to Queen Elsa Buehler and Court members: Haley Davis, Morgan Erb, Destany Goosby, Kaylee Manning, Kira Sharp, and Hannah Sprowl.
2. Mr. Zamarelli and the cast and crew of the “King and I”.
3. Teenagers of the Month: **Alliance Elk’s BPO No. 467** – Lauren Stitle and Trae Hillyer; **Alliance Chamber of Commerce** – Rob Lozier.
4. Alliance Review Athletes of the Week – Natalie Zuchowski.
5. Christy Biery – Alliance Area Chamber of Commerce, Teacher of the Month

WBEA COMMENTS:

WBCEA COMMENTS:

VISITOR’S COMMENTS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

REPORT TO THE BOARD:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Recommend approval of a change in the school calendar with January 25, 2016 and January 26, 2016 as being calamity days due to water issues for the High School and Middle School.
2. Recommend approval of a change in the school calendar with February 16, 2016 as being a calamity day due to the weather.
3. Recommend approval to enter into an agreement with the Columbiana County ESC to provide educational services for a student at the Lisbon Opportunity School. **(Ex. 1)**
4. Recommend approval to enter into an agreement with Paul’s Taxi to transport a student to the Lisbon Opportunity School for the 2015 – 2016 school year. **(Ex. 2)**
5. Recommend approval to adopt the school calendar for the 2016 – 2017 academic year. **(Ex. 3)**

6. Recommend approval to continue offering the Open Enrollment option for the 2016 – 2017 school year for both adjacent and non-adjacent school districts.
7. Recommend approval to enter into an agreement with Eastern Gateway Community College for College Credit Plus for the 2016 – 2017 school year. **(Ex. 4)**
8. Recommend approval to enter into an agreement with Kent State University for College Credit Plus for the 2016 – 2017 school year. **(Ex. 5)**
9. Recommend approval of a resolution for the West Branch Local Schools to withdraw from the Northeastern Buckeye Conference Athletic League, effective June 1, 2018 and, as of August 2018, the West Branch Local School District will compete as a founding member of a new athletic conference to include: Alliance, Canton Local, Carrollton Local, Marlinton Local, Minerva Local, and Salem City Schools. **(Ex. 6)**
10. Recommend approval to the Sebring-West Branch Fast Pitch League to utilize the high school girls' softball fields for the 2016 summer with coordination through the Athletic Directors.
11. Recommend approval to compensate Herbert Ward for "In Lieu of Transportation" for the 2015 – 2016 school year at the established IRS mileage rate from pre-school to home for days in attendance.
12. Recommend resolution to enter into an agreement with Timothy Hetrick to serve as the certified water operator of record for Knox Elementary School and Damascus Elementary School effective January 29, 2016. **(Ex. 7)**
13. Recommend approval to reimburse the Middle School PIE \$440 from a \$9350 field trip donation in January 2016 due to a change in vendor and pricing.
14. Recommend acceptance of gifts and donations. **(Ex. 8)**
15. Personnel:
 - a. Recommend approval to employ the following staff as mentors for the 2015 – 2016 school year:

Tonya Edie	Denise Ginocchi
Elizabeth Kadvan	Chris Lydic
Natela Martig	Gayla Bock
Heidi Shreve	Susan Baldwin
Penny DeShields (2)	Abbie Millard (2)
Lisa Lucente (2)	Tina Mull
Amber Wilson	Sarah Jones
 - b. Recommend approval to employ Kattie Royal as a home instructor for the 2015 – 2016 school year on an as needed basis.

- c. Recommend approval of the following addition to the certificated/licensed substitute list for the 2015 – 2016 school year (pending certification):
Claire Funkhouser
- d. Recommend approval of the Professional Leave/Superintendent’s Assignment Requests.
(Ex. 9)
- e. Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Nathan Heddleston as boys’ head track coach effective immediately.
- f. Recommend approval to compensate Christa Harris for choreography for “King & I” funded by proceeds from the musical.
- g. Recommend approval of the following supplementals for the 2015 – 2016 school year (pending certification):
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| Baseball – Freshmen | Scott Manusakis |
| Softball – Volunteer | Evelyn Woods |
| Boys’ Track – Middle School | Frank Edie |
| Boys’ Track – Middle School | Chad Butcher |

Dr. Scott R. Weingart, Interim Superintendent