



**Lorain City Schools Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
September 28, 2021-5:00 P.M.
Lorain High School, Media Center**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:06PM
By Mark Ballard

2. ROLL CALL

Mark Ballard, Bill Sturgill, Courtney Nazario, Timothy Williams, Yvonne Johnson

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-3.01

3.01 Pledge
Led by Mark Ballard

4. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS-None

5. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC-5.01

Marge Walker of Lorain asked if masks could be dissolved. She also asked what time school starts at Lorain High.

21-R-152 APPROVE OR AMEND AND SIGN MINUTES-6.01

6.01 Approval or Amend and Sign Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on September 14, 2021.

Motion by Bill Sturgill second by Courtney Nazario

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Mark Ballard, Bill Sturgill, Timothy Williams, Courtney Nazario, Yvonne Johnson

7. OLD BUSINESS-7.01

Dr. Graham touched on Mr. Williams questions from last meeting regarding the spending of the LFI funds.

Dr. Graham stated that for the cost it only opens up 950 sq.ft.

The other option was a garage for all the maintenance equipment that currently has to sit outside.

Mr. Williams stated that the atrium area was so small that maybe they could just add a roof to it.

Mr. Sturgill stated that when it was originally planned, they also talked about building a concession stand in there with tables and chairs for those to sit down.

21-R-153 REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TREASURER-8.01-8.02

8.01 Approval of Donations:

1. Donors Choose project for custom tumblers, valued at \$580.00 to be given as rewards for the students at Stevan Dohanos Elementary School.
2. Donors Choose project for flex seating, valued at \$868.00 for the students at Larkmoor Elementary School.
3. Donors Choose project for STEM Items, valued at \$433.00 for the students at Larkmoor Elementary School.
4. A donation of a flipchart, valued at \$65.00 from Wipebook, for the Resource Room at Success Academy at Lorain High School.
5. A donation of School Supplies, valued at \$800.00 from Walmart, for the students at Toni Morrison Elementary School.
6. A donation of 20-\$10 gift cards for Walmart, from Marci Barrett/State Farm Insurance for the MTSS committee at Success Academy at Lorain High School.
7. A donation of books from Jamie Jahnsz, valued at \$60.00 for the library at Washington Elementary School.

8.02 Approval of the permanent appropriations for 2021-2022, Estimated Resources & 412 Certificate.

Motion by Bill Sturgill second by Yvonne Johnson
 Final Resolution: Motion Carries
 Yes: Mark Ballard, Bill Sturgill, Timothy Williams, Courtney Nazario, Yvonne Johnson

21-R-154 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CEO-PERSONNEL MATTERS- 9.01-9.06

Discussion: Mr. May gave an update on the Arts expansion. As a team, they have mapped out a plan. There has been lots of research to back that those with a robust Arts offering were more likely to graduate, and graduate on time.

Mr. May stated that the district has put together two models. One is an integrated model and the other is more of a discipline model.

Mr. May is trying to figure out which approach would best suit Lorain City Schools.

Mr. May said that part of this plan would involve speaking and meeting with several districts who currently have a robust Arts program, to find what works well.

After meeting with these districts, Mr. May stated that LCSD will send out a survey to both the families and the students of LCS.

The plan development will be at the end of November beginning of December. The implementation would then be for the start of the next school year, FY2022-2023.

Mr. Williams asked if the robust component was only through a particular age group.

Mr. May stated that the research shows if children are given these options from preschool forward, but particularly by the age of 9, this seems to have the most impact.

Ms. Johnson asked if our music teachers are sharing schools because the district doesn't have enough space.

Dr. Graham stated that they are looking at what the needs are.

Mr. Ballard asked about the buses that will be used to feed our students and also the mobile health clinic.

Dr. Graham said the ETA on completion is 30 weeks out due to the generator. Pre-covid the turnaround time is 21 days.

Mr. Williams asked how the district prioritizes when forced to make cuts so that the Arts isn't effected.

Mr. Sturgill asked how the district is doing with the covid numbers.

Mr. May stated as of today there are 59 students in quarantined.

Mr. May said currently there are 13 students in isolation.

Mr. May stated that there are 3 positive staff cases as of today.

Dr. Graham stated that most of these cases are coming from home.

They are looking at the first week in November to possible hold a vaccination clinic.

Mr. Ballard stated that there was a gathering with community members at the schools. Mr. Ballard said he thought the community enjoyed it. He also added there will be a follow-up and more conversations around the safety in our schools and the community.

Dr. Graham stated that the conversation was around the violence in our schools and on our streets.

Mr. Ballard thanked all who helped make the meeting happen.

9.01 Approval of appointments:

Name (last, first)	Position	Building	Effective Date	Salary/Step/Rate
Balzer, Samantha	Payroll/Benefits Specialist	LAC	10/04/2021	\$25.50/hr/AP-III/260
Gasper, Jennifer	Director of Accounting/Ass't. Treasurer	LAC	12/01/2021	\$88,800.00/B/260
Lockhart, Jennifer	Health Professional	LMS/Larkmoor	09/27/2021	\$20.56/hr/196
Teska, Jennifer	Sub Cleaner	District Wide	09/20/2021	\$10.00/hr

Please note: Melissa DeAngelis title change from Curriculum & Assessment Coordinator to District Test Coordinator

Reuben Figueroa salary change from \$88,000.00 to \$88,800.00

William Ohle and Aretha Taylor-Paydock effective date change from 08/14/2021 to 09/14/2021

9.02 Approval of resignations:

Name (last, first)	Position	Building	Effective Date	Reason
Brown, Mackenzie	Paraprofessional	Admiral King	10/05/2021	Resignation
Criss, Chelsea	Paraprofessional	Toni Morrison	09/27/2021	Resignation

9.03 Approval of leave of absences for the 2021-2022 school year:

Name (last, first)	Position	Building	Effective	Reason	Type
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Name (last, first)	Position	Building	Effective	Reason	Type
Hayden, Alexis	Teacher	Frank Jacinto	08/27/2021-08/27/2022	Intermittent	Personal
Kubasak, Denise	Teacher	Palm	08/30/2021-08/30/2022	Intermittent	Personal
Mossbrugger, James	Operations Manager	District	09/02/2021-09/02/2022	Intermittent	Personal
Thomas, Kimberly	Teacher	Southview	09/05/2021-10/15/2021	Intermittent	Personal

9.04 Approval of unpaid leave of absences for the 2021-2022 school year:

Name (last, first)	Position	Building	Effective	Reason	Type
Hines, Janet	Paraprofessional	Washington	08/27/2021-10/22/2021	Consecutive	Personal

9.05 Approval of annual renewal contract with SACS for the 2021-2022 school year. To continue maintenance of the Employees Concern Hotline:

9.06 Approval for the following LEA staff (Kyle Ilcisko) to be paid for time used for interviews on July 27, 2021, and August 3, 2021. To be paid at the non-academic rate of \$29.77.

Motion by Timothy Williams second by Courtney Nazario

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Mark Ballard, Bill Sturgill, Timothy Williams, Courtney Nazario, Yvonne Johnson

21-R-155 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CEO-OPERATIONS MATTERS-10.01-10.14

Resolution:21-R-155

NAME OF DEPARTMENT: Operations

NAME OF DEPARTMENT HEAD: Mary Mayse

10.01 Approval to enter into a DARE Participation Agreement with the Lorain County Law Enforcement Agency FY2021-22.

It is recommended to enter into a DARE (Drug, Abuse, Resistance, Education) Participation Agreement with the Lorain County Law Enforcement Agency for the school year 2021-22. The Lorain County Sheriff's office will conduct the DARE program for our elementary building with the following lessons:

1) Responsibility; 2) Decision making; 3) Drug information; 4) Risk & Consequences; 5) Peer Pressure; 6) Stress; 7) Confident Communication; 8) Nonverbal communication; 9) Listening; 10) Bullying; 11) Helping others; 12) Getting Help.

This will meet O.R.C. Section 3313.60.

10.02 Approval of a parental contract for Transportation "In Lieu" for transportation to and from UCP - Leaf Bridge School:

Resolution:21-R-155

NAME OF DEPARTMENT: Career Tech

NAME OF DEPARTMENT HEAD: Mic Becerra

10.03 Approval of an agreement with the Ohio Restaurant Association Education Foundation for participation in the Ohio ProStart program during the 2020-21 school year. This is a Career Tech expenditure not to exceed \$2,100.00.

10.04 Approval of a contract with Oracle America Inc., for support services and software update licenses during the 2020-2021 school year: This is a Career Tech expenditure not to exceed \$480.46.

Resolution:21-R-155

Name of Department: Information Systems

Name of Department Head: Drew Stevens

10.05 Approval of a contract with Lightspeed Alert Subscription: This is a general fund expenditure not to exceed \$10,500.00.

RESOLUTION:21-R-155

NAME OF DEPARTMENT: Student Services

NAME OF DEPARTMENT HEAD: Barb Bowen

10.06 Approval of a contract with Allied Infotech Corporation for the purchase of equipment maintenance and service on eye-com printmaster 10,000 reader printer, motorized rollfilm carrier RC-60. Date of service: 11-28-21-11-27-22. Total cost of this maintenance service is \$628.00 to the district:

Resolution:21-R-155

NAME OF DEPARTMENT: Federal Programs and Grants

NAME OF DEPARTMENT HEAD: Rachel Tansey

10.07 Approval of a contract with BurlingtonEnglish offers a unique program for English language acquisition. It combines face-to-face classroom activities with any time-anywhere access to state-of-the-art online interactive courses: This is a Title I expenditure not to exceed \$512.00.

10.08 Approval of an agreement with because I said I would (BISIW) to provide service for Lorain High, General Johnnie Wilson Middle and Longfellow Middle Schools: This is a You Belong Grant expenditure not to exceed \$150.00.

10.09 Approval of a contract with ESGI Software for services to provide an online assessment tool to support teachers during remote learning at Larkmoor Elementary: This is a Title I expenditure not to exceed \$958.50.

10.10 Approval of a contract with Artisan Architectural Ceramics LLC, George Woideck, to provide an artist-in-residence program at Stevan Dohanos Elementary School for services delivered during the 2021-22 school year: This is a Title IV expenditure not to exceed \$31,500.00.

10.11 Approval of a contract with Child Care Resource Center to provide parent engagement programs for all preschool classrooms and Success Academy: There is no cost to the district.

10.12 Approval of a contract with the National Inventors Hall of Fame to provide Club Invention to all ten elementary schools as part of the after school recovery learning program during the 2021-22 school year: This is an ESSER expenditure not to exceed \$21,600.00.

Resolution:21-R-155
NAME OF DEPARTMENT: Curriculum & Instruction
NAME OF DEPARTMENT HEAD: Bill Ohle

10.13 Approval of a contract with SAVVAS for the purchase of enVision Math practice workbooks for grades K-5 for the 21/22 SY: This is a general fund expenditure not to exceed \$5,959.04.

10.14 Approval of a contract with YWCA to provide the Young Women Elevation Program at Lorain High: There is no cost to the District.

Motion by Bill Sturgill second by Yvonne Johnson
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Mark Ballard, Bill Sturgill, Courtney Nazario, Yvonne Johnson
Abstain: Timothy Williams

11. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CEO-OTHER MATTERS

12. NEW BUSINESS-None

13. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND REQUESTS FROM THE BOARD-None

14. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC-None

15. BOARD WORK SESSION (AS NEEDED)

16. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT BOARD MEETING-Item 16.01

16.01 Announcement of Next Board Meeting- Regular Meeting-October 12, 2021, at 5:00PM.
* Will be held in the Media Center at the High School*

21-R-156 ADJOURNMENT- Item 18.01

18.01 Adjournment-Meeting Adjourned at 5:37PM

Motion by Bill Sturgill second by Yvonne Johnson
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Mark Ballard, Bill Sturgill, Timothy Williams, Courtney Nazario, Yvonne Johnson

APPROVED

DATE: September 28, 2021

Mark Ballard, President

Tia R.H. Kearney, Treasurer