

The Conotton Valley Union Local School District Board of Education met in Regular session on Thursday, January 14, 2021, at 7:45 P.M. at the Conotton Valley Administrative Office.

Present at roll call were Chris Bower, Debbie Carrothers, Rob Higgenbotham, Logan Putnam and Kevin Willoughby.

Also present was Superintendent Jerry T. Herman and Treasurer Denise Ketchum, Jacquie Humphrey, Bill Love, Kelly Ricklic, Keith Imes and Representatives from Smart Way Communications.

Public Participation

Representatives from Smart Way Communications gave a presentation to the Board describing what services they can provide to the students of the district in the way of internet service.

B.O.E. Member Reports

None

Superintendent and Buckeye Career Center Reports

Mr. Herman presented each Board of Education Member with a Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of Board Appreciation Month. He spoke of a change to the 2021-2022 school calendar, and gave an update on quotes received in regards to razing Bowerston Elementary.

21-016 Approval of Minutes

Mr. Putnam moved and Mr. Willoughby seconded to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2020, regular Board of Education meeting.

December Financial Report

The December 2020 financial report, with expenditures totaling \$1,631,372.61, is requested. General Fund balance in Unified Bank on December 31, 2020 was \$ 250,000.00. Mutual fund balances on December 31, 2020, were \$ 2,782,355.37 in Unified Bank earning an average annual yield of .12%. \$ 4,559,283.33, in Star Ohio, earning an average annual yield of .12%. The balance in the Star Construction Fund at December 31, 2020, was \$ 2,690,606.03 also earning an average annual yield of .12% and the balance in the US Bank Account at December 31, 2020, was \$ 14,637,572.37, earning an average yield of .80 %.

Payment of Bills

The payment of bills.

Donations

The following gifts and donations totaling \$1046.13.

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
L&M Trucking	Class of 2027	50.00
Robert & Michele Higgenbotham	Boys & Girls Bowling	900.00
Goodings Nursery	Product & Services	96.13

Amended Certificate of Resources

An Amended Certificate of Resources as presented.

At roll call

Ayes: Mr. Putnam, Mr. Willoughby, Mr. Bower, Mrs. Carrothers and Mr. Higgenbotham

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries

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New Business/Consent Agenda

Mrs. Carrothers moved and Mr. Willoughby second to approve the IRS Business Mileage rate of .56 per mile, effective January 1, 2021.

The January 1, 2021 State of Ohio minimum wage increase from \$8.70 per hour to \$8.80 per hour. The wage increase will affect bus drivers who are paid minimum wage for extra trip "sitting time".

The MOU for 2021-2022 for College Credit Plus with Kent State University as presented.

The second reading of the 2021-2022 school calendar, as presented.

Kristen Haney as a full time substitute for the remainder of the 20-21 school year at a rate of \$100 per day.

At roll call

Ayes: Mrs. Carrothers, Mr. Willoughby, Mr. Bower, Mr. Higgenbotham, and Mr. Putnam

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries

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Adjournment

At 8:37 p.m. Mr. Putnam moved and Mrs. Carrothers seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

At roll call

Ayes: Mr. Putnam, Mrs. Carrothers, Mr. Bower, Mr. Higgenbotham and Mr. Willoughby

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries

WORK SESSION TO FOLLOW REGULAR MEETING WITH NO ACTION TAKEN