

The Conotton Valley Union Local School District Board of Education met in Regular session on Thursday, March 18, 2021, at 7:00 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, Treasurer Denise Ketchum, Jacquie Humphrey and Brian Bower.

*Public Participation*

None

*B.O.E. Member Reports*

BCC Adult student of the month, Micah Busby.

*Superintendent and Buckeye Career Center Reports*

Superintendent Herman gave an update of the Rocket Center progress.

*Treasurer's Report*

None

21-035 Mr. Higgenbotham motioned and Mr. Putnam seconded to approve the following:

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the February 18, 2021, regular Board of Education meeting.

\_\_\_\_\_ February Financial Report

The February 2021 financial report, with expenditures totaling \$ 2,115,747.09 is requested. General Fund balance in Unified Bank on February 28, 2021 was \$ 250,000. Mutual fund balances on February 28, 2021, were \$ 3,406,605.66 in Unified Bank earning an average annual yield of .12 %. \$ 3,559,966.29, in Star Ohio, earning an average annual yield of .09%. The balance in the Star Construction Fund at February 28, 2021, was \$ 1,190,935.96 also earning an average annual yield of .09% and the balance in the US Bank Account at February 28, 2021, was \$ 14,639,716.42, earning an average yield of .80 %.

Payment of Bills

The payment of bills.

Property and Fleet Insurance

The district property and fleet insurances renew February 20, 2021. The renewal rates are a decrease of \$ 7,631 under last year.

|          | Current Renewal | 2020 Renewal    |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Property | \$ 17,053       | \$25,834        |
| Fleet    | \$ 16,051       | \$17,818        |
| Cyber    | <u>\$ 6,267</u> | <u>\$ 3,350</u> |
| TOTAL    | \$39,371.00     | \$47,002.00     |

Donations

Approve the following gift and donations totaling \$ 40.00

| From      | To  | Amount   |
|-----------|-----|----------|
| Anonymous | NHS | \$ 40.00 |

At roll call

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries

**VIII. *New Business/Consent Agenda***

21-036 Mr. Willoughby motioned and Mrs. Carrothers seconded to:

1. Award continuing contract status to Sherry Vanderpool. The office of the Superintendent has confirmed that Sherry Vanderpool meets all of the requirements of O.R.C. §3319.11 and is eligible for continuing contract status.
2. Approve the addition of Jason Stull to the certified substitute list, pending completion of all state and local requirements. (He has completed background checks but still needs his substitute teaching license.)
3. Approve the addition of Kyle Stotzer to the certified substitute list, pending completion of all state and local requirements. (He has completed all state and local requirements.)

4. Approve the addition of Nakaza West to the classified substitute list, pending completion of all state and local requirements. (She has had her FBI/BCI background checks done last week and we are awaiting the results.)
5. Approve the supplemental employment of Nathan Novak as a volunteer assistant baseball coach for the 2020-2021 school year, pending completion of all state and local requirements. (He has completed background checks, and is working on his Pupil Activity Permit.)
6. Approve the supplemental employment of Vince (Dewey) Berg as a volunteer assistant baseball coach for the 2020-2021 school year, pending completion of all state and local requirements. (He has completed all state and local requirements.)
7. Approve the supplemental employment of Mikaela Manbeck as a volunteer high school cheerleading coach for the 2021-2022 school year, pending completion of all state and local requirements. (She has completed background checks and is working on her Pupil Activity Permit.)
8. Approve the Facility Use/Rental Application & Agreement for the Rocket Center as presented.
9. Approve the sit time rate of \$17.99 per hour for sub bus drivers, effective March 22, 2021.
10. Approve a field trip for 6th & 7th grade students to attend day camp at Camp Muskingum on Tuesday, April 27, 2021.
11. Approve a field trip for the Project Lead the Way students to tour the Bowerston VFD on Thursday, April 8, 2021 for Civil Engineering.
12. Approve the open enrollment application form for the 2021-2022 school year as presented.
13. Approve the updated New Student Enrollment form, as presented.
14. Approval for Cronebaugh Auction Service to conduct an online auction in April, 2021 to sell items stored at Bowerston building.

At roll call

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries

21-037 Mr. Putnam motioned and Mr. Higgenbotham seconded to:

Approve a field trip for band students in grades 6-12 on April 28, 2021, to the Cleveland Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, attend a Cleveland Indians game and bowling and dinner at The Corner Alley.

At roll call

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries

21-038 Mrs. Carrothers motioned and Mr. Putnam seconded to:

Award Dutch Valley Industries the contract for demolition of the Bowerston Elementary Building at a price not to exceed \$168,000. Work will begin no earlier than May 7th with a completion date of August 7th.

At roll call

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries

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Executive Session

Mr. Higgenbotham motioned and Mr. Willoughby seconded to enter into executive session at 7:38 p.m. to consider matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.

At roll call

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries

Entered back into regular meeting at 8:30 p.m.

## Addendum

21-040 Mr. Willoughby motioned and Mr. Putnam seconded to approve:

The retirement of Elementary Principal, Mike Wright at the end of his 2020-2021 school year.

At roll call

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries

21-041 Mr. Higgenbotham motioned and Mrs Carrothers seconded to approve the following:

Sedgwick Claims Management's group rating program for Workers' Compensation for the plan year January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, at an annual fee of \$450.00. An increase of \$5.00 from the previous year.

The sale of bus #7 to Bruce Hein in the amount of \$ 125.00.

The resignation of David DiDonato as Dean of students for the 21-22 school year, Mr. Didonato will remain the Athletic Director the 21-22 school year at a salary of \$20,000.

At roll call

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries

## Adjournment

21-042 Mr. Putnam motioned and Mr. Willoughby seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

At roll call

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carries