Alexander Local Board of Education Regular Meeting

Alexander Library 7:00 P.M. January 8, 2025

The Alexander Local Board of Education held a Regular Board Meeting on January 8, 2025, at the Alexander Library. Members present at roll call were: Mr. Aaron Ramsey, Mr. Josh Collins, Mr. Stephen Crook, Mr. Blake Regan, and Mr. Jay Barnes.

25-01-01: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes to adopt the agenda.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

Reports and Comments

A. Mr. Raines, Graduation date – has been on the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. Some would like to have graduation on the Friday of Memorial Day weekend. May 23.
B. Superintendent's report
    a. Ohio School Board Association recognizes January as School Board appreciation month and we want to take a minute to Thank all of you. We are appreciative of the work you do, the time you spend and how seriously you take it.
    b. Administrative Changes – Mr. Raines is retiring and his replacement is going to lead to other changes, so this may be the beginning of a lot of shifting.
    c. Two major events Athletic Hall of Fame and Spartan Classic basketball tournament just want to thank a lot people who make this happen.
C. Treasurer's report
    a. School Income Tax Levy end in December, should not have any taxes coming from your pay checks. You will still need to file your 2024 school income tax return.

Public Participation on Agenda Items –None

TREASURER RECOMMENDATIONS

25-01-02: Mr. Barnes moved, seconded by Mr. Crook that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the December 11, 2024 regular board meeting.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-03: Mr. Crook moved, seconded by Mr. Regan that the Board of Education approve the financial statement for the months ending December 30, 2024.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-04: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education approve the following transfers:

$413,247.10 from General Fund 001 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9125
$31,497.21 from Title I 572-9124 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9125
$4,878.97 from Title II-A 590-9124 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9125
$2,473.63 from Title IV-A 584-9524 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9125
$11,637.46 from IDEA-B 516-9124 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9125
$765.20 from ECSE 587-9124 to Schoolwide Pool 598-9125

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-05: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Collins that the Board of Education accept the donation of $6,500 from RAECAR LLC (Pizza Stop and Southern Ohio Sanitation) to Alexander Athletics Fund 300-9059.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Personnel/Employment Recommendation

25-01-06: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Collins that the Board of Education approve the following substitute paraprofessionals and teachers as recommended by the Athens-Meigs ESC superintendent:

Teachers

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| Natalie Adkins | Claire Bradbury | Fiona James |
| Breanna Jarvis | Melinda Putman | Rebecca Richardson (both) |

Paraprofessionals – Merrilea Spencer

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, abstain; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-07: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Crook that the Board of Education rescind the employment of Andy Zuchowski as Asst. Varsity Track Coach for the 2024-25 school year.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-08: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Crook that the Board of Education employ the following supplementals for the 2024-25 school year, pending their meeting all state and local requirements and the constitution of a complete team for the season:

Non-Certificated

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| Dillon Banik, Track volunteer | Anthony Carranza, Jr. High Track |

Kristy Deck, Asst. Varsity Track
Catherine Penrod, After-Prom
Kamaria Montgomery, Jr. High Track
Andy Zuchowski, Head Varsity Track

Certificated
Mark Cline, Track volunteer
Rosie Lamb, Track volunteer

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-09: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education employ the following supplementals for the 2025-26 school year, pending their meeting all state and local requirements and the constitution of a complete team for the season:

Non-Certificated
Justin Delacruz, Asst. Jr. High Football

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-10: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education employ Rebecca Richardson as Food Service Substitute, effective January 6, 2025, pending her meeting all state and local requirements.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-11: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Crook that the Board of Education grant a continuing contract to Erin Thomas.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-12: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Barnes that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Abigail Rouse to High School Principal with a 3-year contract, effective the start of the 2025-26 school year. Mrs. Rouse will be placed at a Step 4 on the administrator's salary schedule.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-13: Mr. Crook moved, seconded by Mr. Regan that the Board of Education grant the request for early graduation from Richard Morris.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

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25-01-14: Mr. Collins moved, seconded by Mr. Regan that the Board of Education approve May 23, 2025 at 7pm as the date and time for the graduation ceremony for the Class of 2025.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

25-01-15: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Crook that the Board of Education approve the memorandum of understanding with Corporation for Ohio Appalachian Development (COAD) Foster Grandparent Program for the period of January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2027.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

First Reading of the following policy for inclusion into the Policy and Procedures Manual, as recommended by OSBA:

BDC, Executive Sessions

Business Initiated by Board Members - Mr. Collins would like Mrs. Napper to bring a revised/updated cash balance policy for board review in the next couple of months.

Board Reports - None
Public Participation - None

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, February 12, 2025.

25-01-16: Mr. Barnes moved, seconded by Mr. Crook that this meeting be adjourned.

Vote: Mr. Barnes, yes; Mr. Collins, yes; Mr. Crook, yes; Mr. Ramsey, yes; and Mr. Regan, yes. Motion carried.

Time: 7:08 P.M.

Board President

Treasurer