

The LaBrae Local Board of Education met in Regular Session on January 13, 2020 at 5:50 p.m. in the Complex Band Room. Members present on Roll Call: Mr. Sewell, Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Ancell, Mrs. Duncan and Mr. Morton. Also present were Mr. Anthony Calderone, Superintendent and Mrs. Carol Jones, Treasurer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent's Report

Calendar and Budget Hearings were held with public participation

Motion by Mrs. Duncan seconded by Mr. Gibson to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2019 Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call: Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Ancell, Mr. Morton and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Morton seconded by Mrs. Duncan to approve the December Financial Report as presented by the Treasurer. Roll call: Mr. Morton, Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. Ancell, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Gibson to approve the payment of the December Bills as presented by the Treasurer. Roll call: Mr. Morton, Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Ancell, Mrs. Duncan and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Duncan seconded by Mrs. Ancell to adopt the Alternative Tax Budget for the succeeding fiscal year, as presented by the Treasurer, per O.R.C. §5705.28(A)(1). Roll call: Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. Ancell, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Morton and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mrs. Ancell to approve the disposal of fixed assets on the List of Dispositions with item Data that is presented by the Treasurer. Roll call: Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Ancell, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mrs. Ancell to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, This Board of Education, in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted the Alternative Tax Budget Information for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019; and for calendar year January 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, The Budget Commission of Trumbull County, Ohio, has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part with the ten mill limitation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Board of Education of the LaBrae Local School District, Trumbull County, Ohio, that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and be it further

RESOLVED, That there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said County the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as follows:

			County Auditor's Estimate of Tax Rate to be Levied	
Fund	Amount Approved By Budget Commission Inside 10 M. Limitation	Amount to be Derived From Levies Outside 10 M. Limitation	Inside 10 M. Limitation	Outside 10 M. Limitation
General Fund	545,923	2,554,929	4.80	42.50
Bond Retirement Funds		511,803		4.50
Permanent Improvement		229,909		3.00
Classroom Facilities Fund		51,488		0.50
Total	545,923	3,348,129	4.80	50.50
Total Millage			55.80	
Estimated Value	113,734,050			

and be it further **RESOLVED**, that the Clerk of this Board be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of Said County.

Roll call: Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Ancell, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton and Mr. Sewell voted YES.
Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ancell seconded by Mr. Morton to approve Tim Gibson, a representative of industry and being qualified to discuss the labor needs of the region with respect to the regional economy, be appointed to serve as the representative of the Board of Education for LaBrae Local Schools on the Board of Education of The Trumbull Career and Technical Center for a three year term commencing, January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022. Roll call: Mrs. Ancell (YES), Mr. Morton (YES), Mrs. Duncan (YES), Mr. Gibson (ABSTAIN) and Mr. Sewell (YES). FOUR YES and ONE ABSTAIN. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Duncan seconded by Mrs. Ancell to approve membership with the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) at an annual membership cost of \$4,593.00, effective January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. Roll call: Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. Ancell, Mr. Morton, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mr. Morton to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the LaBrae Board of Education wishes to support the efforts of other boards of education to obtain favorable judicial decisions and,

WHEREAS, the Ohio School Boards Association Legal Assistance Fund has been established for this purpose,

THEREFORE, the Board hereby resolves to participate in the OSBA LAF for calendar year 2020 and authorizes the treasurer to pay the LAF \$250.00.

Roll call: Mr. Gibson, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. Ancell and Mr. Sewell voted YES.
Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Duncan seconded by Mrs. Ancell to employ Kay Suzelis as LaBrae Intermediate Principal, under a three year limited administrative contract, effective August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2023. Roll call: Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. Ancell, Mr. Morton, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Duncan seconded by Mr. Gibson to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with LaBrae Teachers' Association regarding payment of the healthcare opt-out incentive. Roll call: Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Ancell, Mr. Morton and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ancell seconded by Mrs. Duncan to approve the ratification of the LaBrae Schools Hall of Fame bylaws, effective January 1, 2020. Roll call: Mrs. Ancell, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Duncan seconded by Mrs. Ancell to approve the following resolution Opposing the State of Ohio EdChoice Scholarship (Voucher) Program:

WHEREAS, the Ohio legislature has recently made amendments which greatly increase the number and availability of vouchers for students to attend private/parochial schools at public tax expense, and,

WHEREAS, such vouchers will be available to numerous families and students who have never attended LaBrae Local School District or any other public schools and for whom state funding has never been provided to LaBrae Local School District or any other public schools, and,

WHEREAS, LaBrae Local School District's state funding will be unjustly decreased by the amount of the vouchers provided to such families and students who have not and will not attend public schools and others who transfer to private/parochial schools, and

WHEREAS, private/parochial schools accepting students with public tax vouchers would not be required to accept all students but would be permitted to retain their selective admission policies without enforcement of other laws applicable to public schools, and

WHEREAS, private/parochial school students are not subject to the testing standards required of public school students so that the actual performance of private/parochial

schools subsidized with public tax dollars will not be known, relative to equivalent public school evaluation standards, and

WHEREAS, this Board believes that the EdChoice voucher program as it currently exists presents serious constitutional issues regarding the separation of church and state and the funding of religious institutions with public tax dollars, and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has the constitutional responsibility to secure a thorough and efficient system of common schools, and

WHEREAS, the EdChoice voucher program will have exactly the opposite effect by providing funding to private/parochial schools at the expense and to the detriment of public schools and their students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this LaBrea Board of Education that this Board reaffirms its commitment to free accessible public schools which are adequately and equitably funded to guarantee a comparable education for ALL children and therefore opposes and respectfully requests the repeal of the ill-conceived EdChoice voucher program of the State of Ohio.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board opposes any funding programs, vouchers or otherwise, that have the effect of diverting public tax dollars from public schools to private/parochial schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to forward copies of this Resolution to all Ohio state legislators, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and Governor of the State of Ohio.

Roll call: Mrs. Duncan (YES), Mrs. Ancell (YES), Mr. Morton (ABSTAIN), Mr. Gibson (YES), and Mr. Sewell (YES). FOUR YES and ONE ABSTAIN. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mrs. Duncan to approve the following athletic supplemental positions for the 2019-2020 school year, which shall become effective upon satisfactory completion of required criminal checks and fulfillment of the applicable requirements in O.R.C. 3319.303 and O.R.C. 3313.53 to coach, supervise, or direct a pupil activity program.

<u>Supplemental</u>	<u>Coach</u>
Winter Physical Fitness (Head Football)	Armeni, John
Winter Physical Fitness	Dotson, Collin
Winter Physical Fitness	McConnell, Joseph

Roll call: Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Ancell and Mr. Sewell voted YES.
Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mr. Morton to acknowledge and accept the following donations:

Donation From	Donation To	Donation Amount
Greg Barnhart & New York Life Insurance Company	LaBrae Band	\$360.00
Greg Barnhart & New York Life Insurance Company	High School Girls Athletics	\$1,000.00
Russell Sewell	Sewell Family Scholarship Fund	\$5,000.00
Coca-Cola Bottling Company	Coke Scholarship	\$500.00
Western Reserve Veterinary Hospital	RoboVikes	\$500.00
Quality Switch	RoboVikes	\$500.00
Select Machine	RoboVikes	\$500.00

Roll call: Mr. Gibson, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. Ancell and Mr. Sewell voted YES.
Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mrs. Ancell to approve a second reading of and subsequent adoption of the following Board Policy addition, replacements and revisions.

New Policy

1615 Use of Tobacco by Administrators (Administrative)

Replacement Policies

3215 Use of Tobacco by Professional Staff (Professional Staff)

4215 Use of Tobacco by Classified Staff (Classified Staff)

Revised Policies

5512 Use of Tobacco by Students (Students)

7434 Use of Tobacco on School Premises (Property)

Roll call: Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Ancell, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton and Mr. Sewell voted YES.
Motion carried.

Miscellaneous

Concerns of the Board

Motion by Mrs. Duncan seconded by Mr. Morton to adjourn to the call of the chair. Roll call: Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Ancell, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Next Regular Meeting – Monday, February 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library at Bascom Elementary

APPROVED
PRESIDENT
ATTESTED

TREASURER
