

The LaBrae Local Board of Education met in Regular Session on May 13, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bascom Elementary Library. Members present on Roll Call: Mr. Sewell, Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton and Mrs. Blaney. Also present were Mr. Anthony Calderone, Superintendent and Mrs. Carol Jones, Treasurer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent's Report

Public Participation

Motion by Mrs. Blaney seconded by Mrs. Duncan to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2019 Regular Board Meeting. Roll call: Mrs. Blaney, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

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

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

Motion by Mrs. Blaney seconded by Mr. Morton to approve the *revised* Five-Year Forecast as presented by the Treasurer. Roll call: Mrs. Blaney, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mr. Morton 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, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Blaney, Mrs. Duncan and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Blaney seconded by Mrs. Duncan to approve the following resolution endorsing Ohio's Fair School Funding Plan.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Supreme Court ruled in *DeRolph v. State of Ohio (1997)* that Ohio's method for funding schools via the school foundation program was unconstitutional under Article VI, Section 2 of the Ohio Constitution; and

WHEREAS, in *DeRolph*, the Ohio Supreme Court declared that Ohio's school funding system was over-reliant on local property taxes, and as such, was inherently discriminatory to children based on where they reside for disparities exist between communities of affluence and impoverishment; and

WHEREAS, since the *DeRolph* decision, the Ohio General Assembly has failed to create a funding system that meets Ohio's constitutional standard of securing "... a thorough and efficient system of common schools throughout the state"; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's solution to satisfy the Ohio Supreme Court's order has been to pass a series of biennial budgets containing politically expedient remedies that have not eliminated the over-reliance on local property tax or mitigated the discriminatory nature inherent in the series of "funding fixes" legislated over the last 22 years; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's current biennial budget, effective July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019, has a funding system with "capped" districts, and districts receiving a minimum level of funding referred to as the "guarantee"; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's current biennial budget has 503 school districts out of 610, or 82%, either "capped" in their funding, or on the "guarantee", which is a testament that Ohio's current funding model is not remotely effective; and

WHEREAS, Representative Robert Cupp and Representative John Patterson, and their team of assembled professionals charged with devising a new formula, and recognizing Ohio needs an overhaul to its school funding system, have spent the better part of the last 18 months determining the inputs necessary to funding a "thorough and efficient system of common schools" that reduces the over-reliance on local property tax and creates equity in the state foundation system; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Fair School Funding model assesses every community's ability to pay, and the model determines a community's fair share independent of any other districts across the state of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Fair School Funding model determines the base cost of a "thorough and efficient" education for each child rather than the current backward design of picking a funding figure then determining how to allocate it uniformly among school districts, thereby resulting in the creation of new expenditure model with each new budget cycle rather than a true school funding model; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of the Ohio House of Representatives has decided to remove the Ohio Fair School Funding Plan from House Bill 166 citing imperfections in the proposal; and

WHEREAS, rarely has legislation passed by any legislative body that can meet the standard of perfection; especially on the nuanced topic of school funding; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's economic future is reliant on the ability of the State to educate tomorrow's workforce to meet tomorrow's labor demand; and

WHEREAS, the future of Ohio's public education system is in dire need of leaders in Columbus to work in a bi-partisan fashion modeled by Representatives Cupp and Patterson to solve issues that are of primordial importance to Ohioans; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly and the Governor of Ohio have an opportunity to devise a funding formula that is an investment in Ohio's children and Ohio's future; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LaBrae Board of Education does express its endorsement of Ohio's Fair School Funding Plan as introduced by Representatives Cupp and Patterson, and implores Ohio's legislative and executive branches to support the inclusion of the Ohio Fair School Funding Plan into substitute House Bill 166, and to make appropriate adjustments to the plan to address its alleged imperfections; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer be directed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of the LaBrae Board of Education and that copies of the resolution be forwarded to members of the Ohio House of Representatives, the Ohio Senate, and the Governor of Ohio.

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

Motion by Mrs. Duncan seconded by Mr. Gibson to recommend that the LaBrae Senior Class of 2019 be approved for graduation, pending satisfactory completion of the graduation requirements set forth by the LaBrae Board of Education and the State of Ohio. Roll call: Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Blaney, Mr. Morton and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Blaney seconded by Mrs. Duncan to approve the *revised* 2019-2020 Academic School Calendar. Roll call: Mrs. Blaney, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Morton seconded by Mrs. Duncan to approve the following *revised* job descriptions:

- Elementary Secretary
- Middle School Secretary
- High School Secretary

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

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mrs. Blaney to approve the fees for workbooks and courses requiring payment of fees for the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call: Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Blaney, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Duncan and Mr. Sewell voted YES. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mrs. Duncan to approve the recommendation of the Local Superintendent, the following teachers are recommended for continuing contracts, effective with the 2019-2020 school year:

John Armeni
Sarah Arquilla

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

Motion by Mrs. Blaney seconded by Mrs. Duncan upon the recommendation of the Local Superintendent the following teachers are recommended for a one-year limited contract effective with the 2019-2020 school year.

Candiotti, Adrienne	Fee, Erin	Kiser, Chad	Novotny-Glatz, Jessica	Silvernail, Susanne
Carpenter, Kayla	Frantz, Megan	Mackey, Nicha	Pugh, John	Slaughter, Carlye
Christy, Courtney	Hampton, Andrew	May, Jenna	Rowan, Kyle	Wevers, Christine
Coxe, Brian	Hinzman, Cory	Michl, David	Sarich, Veronica	Wilms, Jennifer
Farone, Elisabeth	Ismail, Awtan	Murphy, Jason	Schuster, Gregory	

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

Motion by Mrs. Duncan seconded by Mr. Morton to approve the return of Lori Cusimano from a leave of absence and assign her to the LaBrae Intermediate School for the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call: Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Blaney, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Sewell voted YES.
Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Blaney seconded by Mrs. Duncan to approve the following resolution authorizing 2019-2020 membership in Ohio High School Athletic Association.

WHEREAS, the LaBrae Local School District, District IRN number: 50245 of 1001 N. Leavitt Road, Leavittsburg 44430, Trumbull County, Ohio has satisfied all the requirements for membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association, a voluntary unincorporated association not-for-profit; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education/Governing Board (“Board”) and its Administration desire for the schools with one or more grades at the 7-12 grade level under their jurisdiction to be voluntary members of the OHSAA;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION/GOVERNING BOARD that all schools listed on the reverse side of this card do hereby voluntarily renew membership in the OHSAA and that in doing so, the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations and Business Rules of the OHSAA are hereby adopted by this Board as and for its own minimum student-athlete eligibility requirements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board reserves the right to raise the student-athlete eligibility standards as it deems appropriate for the schools and students under its jurisdiction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the schools under this Board's jurisdiction agree to conduct their athletic programs in accordance with the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, Business Rules, interpretations and decisions of the OHSAA and cooperate fully and timely with the Executive Director's office of the OHSAA in all matters related to the interscholastic athletic programs of the schools. Furthermore, the schools under this Board's jurisdiction shall be the primary enforcers of the OHSAA Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, Business Rules and the interpretations and rulings rendered by the Executive Director's office. The administrative heads of these schools understand that failure to discharge the duty of primary enforcement may result in fines, removal from tournaments, suspension from membership and/or other such penalties as prescribed in Bylaw 11.

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

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mrs. Duncan to authorize the withdrawal of LaBrae Local Schools from the All-American Athletic Conference at the conclusion of the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call: Mr. Gibson, Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. Blaney, Mr. Morton and Mr. Sewell voted YES.
Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Blaney seconded by Mrs. Duncan to authorize the membership of LaBrae Local Schools in the Mahoning Valley Athletic Conference effective with the 2020-2021 school year. Roll call: Mrs. Blaney, Mrs. Duncan, Mr. Morton, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Sewell voted YES.
Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gibson seconded by Mrs. Blaney to approve the following persons whom are being recommended for academic supplemental contracts for the 2019-2020 school year.

Supplemental

Detention Teacher - Intermediate
Percussion Instructor
Technology Assistant

Advisor

Shanower, Regan
Boggs, Terrance
Slifka, Joseph

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

Motion by Mrs. Blaney seconded by Mrs. Duncan to acknowledge and accept the following donations:

Donation From	Donation To	Donation For	Donation Of
The Community Foundation of the Mahoning Valley	Bascom Elementary	Bounce into Bascom	\$2,756.00
LaBrae High Schools Alumni Hall of Fame	LaBrae Local Schools	LaBrae Hall of Fame	\$1,676.74

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

Motion by Mrs. Duncan seconded by Mr. Morton to approve the following use of facilities request:

Organization	Area Requested	Date of Usage	Hours of Usage	Reason for Usage
LaBrae Little Vikings Cheer	Complex Cafeteria Middle & High School Gyms	October 11 & 12, 2019	Friday 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Saturday 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	SVYC Cheerleading Competition

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

Motion by Mr. Morton seconded by Mrs. Blaney to approve a first reading of the following Board Policy addition and revisions.

New Policy

7544 Use of Social Media (Property)

Revised Policies

0100 Bylaws – Definitions
 2260 Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity (Program)
 5113.02 School Choice Options (Students)
 5610 Removal, Suspension, Expulsion, and Permanent Exclusion of Students (Students)
 5610.03 Emergency Removal of Students (Students)
 6320 Purchasing and Bidding (Finances)
 6325 Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds (Finances)
 6605 Crowdfunding (Finances)
 7540 Technology (Property)
 7540.02 Web Accessibility, Content, Apps, and Services (Property)
 7540.04 Staff Education Technology and Acceptable Use and Safety (Property)
 8400 School Safety (Operations)
 8500 Food Services (Operations)

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

Miscellaneous

Concerns of the Board

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

Next Regular Meeting- Monday, June 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Complex Band Room.

APPROVED
PRESIDENT _____
ATTESTED

TREASURER _____