## **BOARD NOTES**

To help aid in communication, we were asked to post some notes of what took place at each board meeting. These are *not* the official meeting minutes as they will be approved at the next board meeting. This, however, is the running notes from each meeting.

Meeting Date: March 4, 2024

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Location: Utica High School, Rm 106

This meeting was a special meeting to conduct a board retreat. The retreat's intent was to provide the board the opportunity to hear from the Ohio School Boards Association on best practices for board members.

The board opened the meeting at 2:30 p.m. and was introduced to Cheryl Ryan, Director of Board and Management Services from OSBA. Mrs. Ryan began with a power point and discussed items such as board roles, best practices for board members, appropriate transparency, the open meetings act, strategic plan, and confidentiality of items.

Board members had an opportunity throughout the meeting to ask questions with Mrs. Ryan and get some clarification on roles, support, and advocacy for the district with the community. Items such as fact or fiction when a story is brought to board members and how appropriately address those with parents was discussed.

There were no superintendent and treasurer instructions from this meeting.

The meeting concluded at 5:40 p.m. The next meeting is on March 18, 2024 at Utica Elementary School starting at 6:00 p.m.