

# 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:**           **May 20, 2024**

**Time:**                   **6:00 p.m.**

**Location:**             **Utica Senior High School**

The meeting in May is a regular business meeting. The board started on time at 6:00 p.m. and heard the Superintendent's report congratulating our graduating seniors, and staff members retiring from the district. The board took a short recess to honor our retirees. The treasurer discussed the forecast and state of the district finances.

In work session, the board reviewed policies for a second read and first read. In the consent agenda for personnel, there were several staffing resolutions concerning the hiring of personnel, and accepting some resignations. Extra service items approved included summer cleaning, virtual learning, home instructors, and compensation for special education teachers to attend IEP meetings during the summer. Athletic supplemental positions were on the agenda for board approval. The board also approved a contract for an additional on-bus trainer to help get drivers certified, and supplemental positions for the upcoming season.

In the finance consent agenda, the board acted on items for payment of bills and purchase orders. They also approved modifications in appropriations, and discussed and approved the five-year forecast.

In other board action, policies were approved from the second read. A resolution to approve volunteers was approved. Student fees and handbooks were also approved. Contracts for services with Knox Educational Service Center, Licking County Educational Service Center, and the One Call Now contract were approved. Other contracts the board approved were, a lease agreement with the North Fork Youth Association, Renaissance, and Public-School Works. An increase in lunch rates was discussed and approved. A couple of out-of-state, or overnight trips for student activities were approved. The middle school Outdoor Education program dates and location were on the agenda, FFA trips to Logan and Carrollton Ohio; football trip to Ashland, wrestling trips to West Virginia, and Indiana were approved. Our annual purchase of Apple iPads was on the agenda. The board discussed and approved the English Language Arts Course of Study.

The board gave the superintendent and treasurer instructions prior to the meeting being concluded at 7:20 p.m. The next meeting is on June 24, 2024, at Utica High School starting at 6:00 p.m.