

**City Board of Education  
Washington C. H. City Schools**

**Proceedings, Regular Board Meeting  
December 19, 2016**

The Board of Education of the City School District of Washington Court House, Fayette County, Ohio, met in regular session pursuant to the rules section 3313.16 of the Ohio Revised Code at the Board of Education office on December 19, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. and proceeded to consider regular business under section 3313.15 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**CALL TO ORDER:** (*Agenda, Item 1*) The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by President Upthegrove.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** (*Agenda, Item 2*) President Upthegrove led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** (*Agenda, Item 3*) The Treasurer was requested to call the roll for the purpose of recording the attendance of members and others.

MEMBERS PRESENT:        Craig Copas, Vice President  
                                      Jon Creamer, Member  
                                      Jennifer Lynch, Member  
                                      James Teeters, Member  
                                      Kenneth Upthegrove, President

OTHERS PRESENT:         Matthew McCorkle, Superintendent  
                                      Lisa Robinson, Secretary  
                                      Becky Mullins, Treasurer

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** (*Agenda, Item 4*) Mrs. Lynch moved to enter into executive session for consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of public employee or official of student.

MOTION 2016-184: Mrs. Lynch moved to enter into executive session for the purpose stated above.  
Mr. Teeters seconded the motion.  
On roll call the members voted as follows:  
Mr. Copas, yea; Mr. Creamer, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea;  
Mr. Teeters, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea. (5 yeas)

[The board entered executive session at 6:05 p.m.]

[The board reentered regular session at 8:10 p.m.]

**ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CORRECTIONS IN THE AGENDA:** (*Agenda, Item 5*) There were corrections to the agenda. Item 12-#2 is a termination instead of resignation. Item 19-#4 policy 5460 is a recommendation and not for review.

**PROPOSED AGENDA:** On Friday preceding this meeting, board members were presented with a proposed agenda and other information showing business to be considered at this meeting. This explains references to the agenda, which occurred throughout the minutes.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** (*Agenda, Item 6*) The board president will recognize members of the public at this time and provide an opportunity for citizens to address the board of education regarding agenda items.

**MINUTES:** (*Agenda, Item 7*) The minutes for the meeting held on November 21, 2016 were included with the agenda. President Upthegrove asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions to the minutes.

MOTION 2016-185: Mrs. Lynch moved to approve the minutes of November 21, 2016.  
Mr. Creamer seconded the motion.  
On roll call the members voted as follows:  
Mr. Creamer, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Teeters, yea;  
Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Mr. Copas, yea. (5 yeas)  
President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** (*Agenda, Item 8*) For the Board's information, please find department reports as submitted and attached.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** (*Agenda, Item 9*) The Treasurer requested and the Superintendent recommended the acceptance of the financial reports for the month of November 2016 as presented.

MOTION 2016-186: Mrs. Lynch moved to accept the financial statement as presented for the month of November 2016.  
Mr. Copas seconded the motion.  
On roll call the members voted as follows:  
Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Teeters, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea;  
Mr. Copas, yea; Mr. Creamer, yea. (5 yeas)  
President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

**ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS:** (*Agenda, Item 10*) The Treasurer requested and the Superintendent recommended the acceptance of the donations as stated below.

MOTION 2016-187: Mr. Creamer moved to accept the donations as stated below in the motion.

1. \$50.00 – Grant and Sharon Shaffer – Boys Basketball Camp Game Ball Sponsor
2. \$323.68 – Blue Lion Athletic Boosters – Swimming Camp Fund
3. \$440.00 – Blue Lion Athletic Boosters – Cross Country Camp Fund
4. \$500.00 – Ohio State Eagles #423 – High School Musical
5. \$500.00 – Walmart – Football Camp Fund
6. \$664.00 – Blue Lion Athletic Boosters \_ Lady Lion Basketball Camp Fund
7. \$750.00 – Washington Branch Ads – Boys Basketball Camp Fund
8. \$1,250.00 – Lady Lion Parents \_ Lady Lion Basketball Camp Fund

Mr. Teeters seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:

Mr. Teeters, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Mr. Copas, yea;

Mr. Creamer, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea. (5 yeas)

President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

**BOARD MEMBER COMPENSATION:** (*Agenda, Item 11*) The Treasurer requested and the Superintendent recommended Board of Education members be compensated at the maximum rate authorized by law for the calendar year 2017.

MOTION 2016-188: Mrs. Lynch recommended the acceptance of the Rate for board members compensation.

Mr. Copas seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:

Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Mr. Copas, yea; Mr. Creamer, yea;

Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Teeters, yea. (5 yeas)

President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

**RESIGNATIONS:** (*Agenda, Item 12 with corrections*) The Superintendent recommended the acceptance of the resignations of those stated below.

MOTION 2016-189: Mrs. Lynch moved to accept the resignation as as stated below for items 1, 3 and 4.

1. Cheyenne Baughn – Bus driver, attendant and substitute van driver, effective December 15, 2016

2. Collin Ford – Custodian effective November 23, 2016

3. Victoria Edwards – substitute cook, effective December 21, 2016

4. Chelsie Morrow – substitute cook, effective December 28, 2016

Mr. Creamer seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:  
 Mr. Copas, yea; Mr. Creamer, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea;  
 Mr. Teeters, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea. (5 yeas)  
 President Upthegrove declared the motion carried

MOTION 2016-190: Mrs. Lynch moved to approve the termination for item #2.

Mr. Copas seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:

Mr. Creamer, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Teeters, yea;  
 Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Mr. Copas, yea. (5 yeas)  
 President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

**EMPLOYMENT:** (*Agenda, Item 13*) The Superintendent recommended the employment of the persons stated in the categories below.

MOTION 2016-191: Mrs. Lynch moved to employ the persons stated in the motion below.

1. Tyler Hayslip – substitute teacher
2. Kellie Rummer – substitute educational aide
3. Chelsie Morrow – custodian at Cherry Hill, effective January 3, 2017
4. Cyndi Meriweather – At Risk Reading Instructor, effective January 4, 2017

Mr. Teeters seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:

Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Teeters, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea;  
 Mr. Copas, yea; Mr. Creamer, yea. (5 yeas)  
 President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

MOTION 2016-192: Mrs. Lynch moved to employ the following person as stated below.

5. Kelli Lynch – Substitute educational aide

Mr. Teeters seconded the motion.

On roll call the members voted as follows:

Mr. Teeters, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Mr. Copas, yea;  
 Mr. Creamer, yea; Mrs. Lynch, abstained.  
 (4 yeas, 1 abstention)

President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

**ATHLETIC EMPLOYMENT:** (*Agenda, 14*) The Superintendent recommended the athletic employment of the persons stated below.

MOTION 2016-193: Mrs. Lynch moved to approve the employment of those stated below.

1. Scott Mickle – middle school wrestling volunteer coach, effective November 22, 2016

2. Leslie Teter – game worker, effective January 1, 2017  
 Mr. Creamer seconded the motion.  
 On roll call the members voted as follows:  
 Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Mr. Copas, yea; Mr. Creamer, yea;  
 Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Teeters, yea. (5 yeas)  
 President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

**CHANGE OF STATUS:** (*Agenda, Item 15*) The Superintendent recommended a change of status for Terea Hatfield from substitute educational aide to educational aide (MH) effective December 4, 2016.

MOTION 2016-194: Mrs. Lynch moved to approve the change of status for Terea Hatfield.  
 Mr. Copas seconded the motion.  
 On roll call the members voted as follows:  
 Mr. Copas, yea; Mr. Creamer, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea;  
 Mr. Teeters, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea. (5 yeas)  
 President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

**RENTAL REQUEST:** (*Agenda, Item 16*) The Superintendent recommended the approval of the following rental request as stated below.

MOTION 2016-195: Mr. Teeters moved to approve the rental request as stated below.

1. John Pfeifer of The Gathering Place is requesting the use of Liberty Hall for the Logos meetings in 2017 nightly from 5:30 PM – 9:30 PM on these dates: January 3, February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, July 11, August 1, September 5, October 3, November 7, and December 5. The rental fee of \$1800.00 (\$150.00 for each night) was paid on December 9, 2016 and custodial fees will be assessed if necessary.
2. Jim Garland is requesting the use of McHenry Field for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Great Strides Event on Saturday, May 13, 2017.

Mr. Copas seconded the motion.  
 On roll call the members voted as follows:  
 Mr. Creamer, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Teeters, yea;  
 Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Mr. Copas, yea. (5 yeas)  
 President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** (*Agenda, Item 17*) During the Superintendent's report Mr. McCorkle discussed the following: 1) Old Middle School facility; 2) Legislation update; 3) Positive feedback from Sen. Peterson regarding funding of OFCC issues.

**OLD BUSINESS:** (*Agenda, Item 18*) None

**NEW BUSINESS:** *(Agenda, Item 19 with corrections)*

1. Appointment of Counsel – The Superintendent recommends the appointment of the firm of Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP (Columbus, Ohio) as special counsel to the Board. The regular counsel to the Board is, by statute, the city law director.

MOTION 2016-196: Mrs. Lynch moved to approve the appointment of counsel as stated above.  
 Mr. Creamer seconded the motion.  
 On roll call the members voted as follows:  
 Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Teeters, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea;  
 Mr. Copas, yea; Mr. Creamer, yea. (5 yeas)  
 President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

2. President Pro-tem - The Board of Education will need to consider and appoint a president pro-tem for the organizational meeting in January.

MOTION 2016-197: Mrs. Lynch moved to appoint Mr. Copas as President Pro-Tem for the organizational meeting.  
 Mr. Teeters seconded the motion.  
 On roll call the members voted as follows:  
 Mr. Teeters, yea; Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Mr. Copas, yea;  
 Mr. Creamer, yea; Mrs. Lynch, yea. (5 yeas)  
 President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

3. South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium – The Treasurer requests and the Superintendent recommends the continued membership in the South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium for a 3 year cycle from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

MOTION 2016-198: Mrs. Lynch moved to approve the South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium for a 3 year cycle from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.  
 Mr. Teeters seconded the motion.  
 On roll call the members voted as follows:  
 Mr. Upthegrove, yea; Mr. Copas, yea; Mr. Creamer, yea;  
 Mrs. Lynch, yea; Mr. Teeters, yea. (5 yeas)  
 President Upthegrove declared the motion carried.

4. Policy - The Superintendent recommended to approve the policy below.
  - Policy 5460 – Graduation Requirements - Replacement

MOTION 2016-199: Mrs. Lynch moved to approve the policy as stated above.

