

LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION
NOVEMBER 16, 2004

The Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District, Warren County, Ohio met in Regular Session on November 16, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the Little Miami High School Media Center, 3001 E. U.S. 22 & 3, Morrow, Ohio.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Mrs. Cress called the meeting to order at 7:23 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Cress	Present
Mr. Cremeans	Present
Ms. Grice	Present
Mr. Rothwell	Present
Mrs. Hamburg	Present

Pledge of Allegiance

RESOLUTION 264-2004 ADOPT THE AGENDA

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Mr. Cremeans seconded a motion to adopt the agenda as amended for the November 16, 2004 Regular Board Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 265-2004 READING OF MINUTES

Ms. Grice moved and Mr. Rothwell seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2004 Regular Board Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Visitors to the Board

Mr. Bennett recognized Aleta Cook for Employee of the Month.

Mr. Bennett presented the options being considered to address the overcrowding and projected growth of the District.

RESOLUTION 266-2004 FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Rothwell moved and Mrs. Cress seconded a motion to approve the financial reports for the month ending October 2004.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 267-2004 FUND-TO-FUND TRANSFER

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Ms. Grice seconded a motion to transfer \$30,000.00 from the General Fund to EMIS Fund 432.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 268-2004 NEW FUNDS

Mr. Rothwell moved and Mrs. Hamburg seconded a motion to establish the following funds and appropriations:

Schoolnet Professional Development	Fund 452-9005	\$4,140.00
Ohio Reads Volunteer Grant FY 2005	Fund 459-9500	\$4,000.00
ONenet Ohio Connectivity Program FY 2005	Fund 451-9005	\$9,000.00

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 269-2004 REQUEST NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS FROM TAXATION OF PROPERTY

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Mrs. Cress seconded a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THE LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUEST FOR NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS FROM TAXATION OF PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Little Miami Local School District Board of Education (hereafter the "Board") has political subdivisions located within District boundaries making application to the Tax Commissioner for the State of Ohio for exemption from taxation of property within their borders; and

WHEREAS the Board seeks to ensure fair and proper equalization of taxes applied to the property within the District; and

WHEREAS, Section 5715.27b of the Revised Code provides for quarterly notification of Boards of Education of applications made for the exemption of taxation on properties located in the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board may also then submit evidence and participate in any hearings on applications, and

WHEREAS, statements filed by the first day of the third month following the end of the quarter in which an application is docketed with the commissioner entitles the District to submit evidence and participate in any hearing on the property and makes the District a party for purposes of Sections 5717.02 to 5717.04 of the Ohio Revised Code in any appeal of the commissioner's decision to the board of tax appeals.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, the Board directs the treasurer to make such application with the Ohio Department of Taxation and Equalization by means of this Resolution and to monitor, coordinate and report to the Board and administration the activities involved and affected under this legislation.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 270-2004 CONTRACTS

Mrs. Cress moved and Mr. Rothwell seconded a motion to approve the following contracts for the Little Miami School District:

	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
04-12	International Language Plus	\$20,000*	SY 04/05	Service	Interpreter for students
04-13	Dental Care Plus	\$56.96/EE	CY 2005	Insurance	Certified Employee Dental (two-year rate; until cancelled)
04-14	Dental Care Plus	\$58.04/EE	CY 2005	Insurance	Classified Employee Dental (two-year rate; until cancelled)
04-15	Custom Design Benefits	\$2500 Max	CY 2005	Services	Certified Employee Sec. 125 (until cancelled)

* Estimated cost

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 271-2004 DECLARING THE NECESSITY OF ISSUING BONDS

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Mrs. Cress seconded a motion to adopt the following:

WHEREAS, this Board of Education proposes to submit to the electors of this School District at the election to be held on the 8th day of February, 2005, the question of issuing bonds of this board of education in the amount of \$39,800,000 for the purpose of new construction, improvements, renovations and additions to school facilities, the acquisition of real property and providing equipment, furnishings and site improvements therefore, and the question of levying an annual direct tax on all of the taxable property in this School District outside of the ten-mill limitation to pay the interest on and to retire said bonds, under authority of Section 133.18 of the Ohio Revised Code;

WHEREAS, this Board of Education desires to adopt a resolution declaring the necessity of said issue, said direct tax and said election;

WHEREAS, the assessed valuation of all property in said School District is \$574,212,190 and the outstanding indebtedness of this board of education is \$16,215,389, less \$1,100,000 in the bond retirement fund applicable to payment of principal on the outstanding indebtedness;

WHEREAS, this Board of Education intends to apply to the Ohio Superintendent of Public Instruction for approval of this School District as a Special Needs District pursuant to Section 133.06 (E) of the Ohio Revised Code;

WHEREAS, the proposed issue of bonds will make the total net indebtedness of said school district, as defined in Section 133.06(C) of the Ohio Revised

Code, and with the exceptions therein provided, exceed four per cent (4%) of the assessed valuation of all property in said school district as listed and assessed for taxation, as authorized and provided by Section 133.06(C) of the Ohio Revised Code, but not nine percent (9%) of the projected assessed valuation of said property as a Special Needs District under Section 133.06(E) of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Education desires to avail itself of the provisions of Section 133.06(C) and (E) of the Ohio Revised Code;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Little Miami Local School District (hereinafter called the "Board of Education"), Counties of Warren and Clermont, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That it is necessary to issue bonds of this Board of Education in the principal amount of \$39,800,000 for the purpose described in the Preambles hereof. Said bonds shall be dated approximately March 1, 2005 shall bear interest at the rate now estimated at five and fifty hundredths percent (5.50%) per annum, and shall mature in substantially equal annual or semiannual installments over a period not exceeding twenty-eight (28) years after their issuance.

SECTION 2. That it is necessary that there shall be annually levied on all of the taxable property in this school district, a direct tax outside the limitation imposed by Section 2 of Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to pay the interest on and to retire said bonds.

SECTION 3. That the question of issuing said bonds and of levying said direct tax shall be submitted to the electors of this school district at the election to be held on the 8th day of February, 2005 pursuant to Section 133.18 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4. That this Board of Education hereby applies to the Department of Taxation of Ohio and the Superintendent of Public Instruction for consent to submit to popular vote at the election to be held on the date described in Section 3 hereof, the question of issuing the bonds described in the Preambles hereof.

SECTION 5. That the Treasurer of this Board of Education be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the county auditor for the calculation of the average annual levy that will be required to pay the interest on and retire said bonds.

SECTION 6. That the Treasurer of this Board of Education be and is hereby directed to certify to said Department of Taxation and said Superintendent of Public Instruction a copy of this resolution, together with a financial statement and such other pertinent data as may be required by said agencies.

SECTION 7. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of Education concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of Education; and that all deliberations of this

Board of Education and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 272-2004 TEXTBOOKS/TRADEBOOKS

Mrs. Cress moved and Mr. Cremeans seconded a motion that the following books be added to the approved list of textbooks/tradebooks used by the Little Miami Local School District:

The Girls by Amy Goldman Koss
Brief Review in New York: Earth Science The Physical Setting
Reader's Handbook: A Student Guide for Reading and Learning
Foundations of Personal Fitness

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 273-2004 PERSONNEL—EMPLOYMENT

Mr. Rothwell moved and Ms. Grice seconded a motion that the following personnel be employed for the 2004-2005 school year. Employment is contingent upon the school district receiving the results of the mandated criminal records background check as required by O.R.C. 3319.311, which indicates that no conviction or pleas of guilty were entered into by any persons being employed:

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Jennifer Jackson	Beverly Ball	Katherine Robinson
Erin Teter	Lesley Tomes	Linda Lawrence
Kevin Thornton		

SUBSTITUTE NURSES

Cheri Burket

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

Elaina Hurst—transfer to 3 hour cook position at Intermediate School (effective 11/01/04)
Sue Waits—3 hour teacher's aide/attendant at Morrow Elementary School (effective 11/01/04) step: 0

Mary Query—3 hour teacher’s aide/attendant at Junior High School (effective 11/01/04) step: 3

SUBSTITUTE CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

Karen Roseberry—substitute secretary
Donna Rolke—substitute secretary/teacher’s aide
Janice Kalinoski—substitute secretary, teacher’s aide, cook
Rhonda Byrd—substitute secretary, cook, custodian/teacher’s aide
Betty Spradlin—substitute cook, teacher’s aide, secretary
Albert Smith—substitute custodian

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Scott Hammond/Stephanie Zrelak—Maineville Elementary Yearbook Advisors
Jennifer Lyke—English Department Chair
John Baughman—Intermediate School Student Council Advisor
Bethany Sherard—1/2 Junior High Girls “B” Basketball Coach
Jenni Meier—1/2 Junior High Girls “B” Basketball Coach
Jenni Meier—High School Reserve Softball
Greg Robinson—Junior High Band Director
Greg Robinson—Junior High 8th Grade Boys “A” Basketball Coach
Sean Derrig—Junior High 7th and 8th Grade Wrestling Coach
Sean Derrig—Junior High Assistant Track Coach
Dan Koterba—Junior High 7th Grade Boys “A” Basketball Coach
Casey Woodruff—Junior High 8th Grade Boys “B” Basketball Coach
Brady Ruthers—Junior High 7th Grade Boys “B” Basketball Coach
Kevin Rose—Junior High 7th Grade Girls “A” Basketball Coach
Carey Costello—Junior High 8th Grade Girls “A” Basketball Coach
Jeremy Willis—Junior High Girls Head Track Coach
Kerry Leedy—Junior High Boys Head Track Coach
Sara Williams—Junior High Assistant Track Coach
Ron Hubbard—Freshman Girls Basketball Coach
Carrie Ellis—Assistant Varsity Softball Coach

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 274-2004 RESIGNATIONS-SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Ms. Grice seconded a motion to accept the resignation from supplemental contract position as submitted:

Mark LaPille—Girls Reserve Tennis Coach

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 275-2004 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Ms. Grice moved and Mr. Rothwell seconded a motion to approve the following requests for an unpaid leave of absence:

Cresta Eshleman—maternity leave of absence
Karin Eppert—maternity leave of absence

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION 276-2004 VOLUNTEERS

Mrs. Hamburg moved and Mr. Rothwell seconded a motion to approve the following list of personnel as volunteers in the Little Miami Local School District for the 2004-2005 school year:

Andrea Weisenburgh	Braunstein Family	Brooke Findley
Cindy Smith	Debbie Bellas	Derek and Denise Rice
Donna Sanford	Erin and Brad Bailey	George and Mabel Clemons
Ginger Arrowood	Janine and Mike Grindstaff	Jenni Blodgett
Jennifer Gordon	Jennifer Hudgens	Joelle and Larry Scheridan
Judy Rose	Karen and Steve Hauser	Kathy and Troy Smith
Kay Knoblauch	Laura Short	Linda Crouch
Lisa Hendrick	Lisa Henn	Marti Collopy
Mindy Wesley	Sandi and Greg Sauer	Stacy Weisenburgh
Tiffanie Knabb-Kennedy	Todd and Beth Pucko	Todd and Laura Hartline
Tracy Ranieri		
Zach Shepard—Volunteer Freshman Basketball Coach		

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ms. Grice	Yes
Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Bennett thanked Mr. John Hise for his efforts during the bond issue campaign.
Ms. Grice reported on the planning of the community college.

RESOLUTION 277-2004 ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Grice moved and Mrs. Hamburg seconded a motion to adjourn.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Rothwell	Yes
Mrs. Hamburg	Yes
Mrs. Cress	Yes
Mr. Cremeans	Yes
Ms. Grice	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Nona Cress, Board President

Robert Giuffré, Treasurer