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NEWS RELEASE

The Buckeye Central Board of Education held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, October 13, 2016, at 8:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room at Buckeye Central Local School.

**Hearing of the Public:**

- No requests

**Correspondence:**

- None

**Board Committee Reports:**

- Financial – Mrs. McDougal and Mr. Robinson met with Mrs. Ackerman on Tuesday to conduct a preliminary review of the district’s 5-year forecast. All cost centers (revenue and expenditures) reflect the annual planning and remain fiscally sound. The forecast was then presented to the board members at the regular meeting.
- Legislative – No report
- Student Achievement – Mrs. Diesch provided a student achievement report focused on science. She briefly reviewed Ohio’s New Learning Standards for Science. Recent student activities include: 1<sup>st</sup> grade – observing and studying monarch butterflies, mantis, and toads; 5<sup>th</sup> grade - conducting experiments utilizing the scientific method; 6<sup>th</sup> grade - field trip to the Seneca Caverns; 8<sup>th</sup> grade - learning science procedures and informational writing; FFA – soil judging. Two (2) groups of the FFA students (8 total) have earned the right to travel to the National soil judging competition.
- Policy – Mr. Robinson met with Ed Swartz, NEOLA representative, to review the recommended new and revised policies through NEOLA. The goal is to bring these updates to the board at the November regular meeting.

**Financial Report:**

- Financial reports were read and approved
- Bills approved as submitted
- Investments approved
- Approved the Five Year Forecast - FY17
- Approved the Medical, Dental and Vision rates effective Jan 1, 2017

**Superintendent’s Report and Discussions:**

- The Request for Proposal (RFP) process was discussed by the board members and administration. The four shortlisted design-build construction firms will be asked to submit a uniform RFP based upon the project’s criteria documents.
- Mr. Robinson reported a shortage of substitute teachers. Everything is being done to seek new substitutes interested in working within the schools. Substitutes must be licensed through ODE and pass BCI/FBI background checks. Consideration will also be given to increasing the daily pay rate from \$75 to \$80/\$85 per day which is more consistent with the other county and regional schools.

- Appointing board members to represent our district's various booster organizations and committees was discussed. Any board member with interest in serving as the representative to a specific committee will let Mrs. McDougal know.
- Mr. Robinson shared that the October 10 Teacher In-Service went exceptionally well and that the teachers were looking forward to the October 28 In-Service Day. These professional development activities provide high-level learning on instruction which benefits the students.
- Mr. Robinson also mentioned that Wednesday, November 16 was being seriously considered as an Early Dismissal Day for staff to participate in a Signs of Suicide Program through Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus.

**Building/Departmental Reports:**

- Written reports from the building principals and department supervisors were provided to the Board members. These one-page reports list and explain the many areas addressed within the building, grounds, or departments during the immediate past month. This activity enables the Board members to stay up-to-date on the many happenings within the district on a regular basis.

**The board approved the following Superintendent recommendations:**

- Building use form for PTO to use the Multi-Purpose Room for a Family Movie Night on Friday, November 4, 2016 with Jenni Beamer in charge
- Building use form for the BC Alumni Basketball to use the MS or HS Gymnasium on Sunday and Wednesday nights November 20, 2016 – April 2, 2017 with Tyler Shade in charge
- Crawford County, Ohio Chapter Retired Teachers, Gift to the Schools donation of \$100 for student supplies
- BC Middle School, 8<sup>th</sup> grade Washington, D.C. educational trip for May 10 – 13, 2017 with a cost of approximately \$486/student

**Personnel Recommendations:**

- Classified staff supplemental contracts:  
Andy Fagan – Softball; Varsity

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- None

**Items for Discussion:**

- Next Regular Meeting will be November 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

We encourage you to attend the Board of Education meetings as your calendar permits. The monthly Board of Education meetings are meetings of the Board in public for the purpose of conducting the school district's business. While not considered a public meeting, every meeting agenda provides an opportunity for public participation as established through district policy. Please contact Mark A. Robinson, Superintendent, with any questions or input. Thank you!