

TRUMBULL COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER

January 13, 2020

The Organizational Meeting and Regular Meeting of the Trumbull County Educational Service Center were held on January 13, 2020 at the Board Office.

Mr. Jeff Dreves was appointed President Pro-tem to preside over this Organizational Meeting by Resolution #19-260 at the December 16, 2019 Regular Governing Board Meeting.

Mr. Jeff Dreves, President Pro-tem, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. followed by attendance roll call. Members present were: Mr. Donald Bishop and Mrs. Denise Domhoff. Mr. William Holland and Mr. Allen Ryan were absent. Also present were Michael Hanshaw, Superintendent; Robert Marino, Ed. D, Assistant Superintendent; Kathleen Vilsack, Director of Pupil Services; Lori Simone, CPA, Treasurer; Carlotta Sheets, Supervisor, Department of Human Resources and Communications; and Christopher Hubinsky, Technology Administrator.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

The President Pro-tem declared the floor open for nominations for the office of President. Mr. Dreves nominated Mr. Bishop for the position of President of the Governing Board for 2020, Second by Mrs. Domhoff. There were no additional nominations.

20-01 Roll Call on nominations: Mr. Dreves - Mr. Bishop
Mrs. Domhoff - Mr. Bishop
Mr. Bishop - Mr. Bishop

The Treasurer declares Mr. Bishop as President of the Governing Board for 2020.

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

The President Pro-tem declared the floor open for nominations for the office of Vice President. Mrs. Domhoff nominated Mr. Dreves for the position of Vice President of the Governing Board for 2020. Second by Mr. Bishop. There were no additional nominations.

20-02 Motion by Mrs. Domhoff, Second by Mr. Bishop to close nominations for Vice-President.

Roll Call on nominations: Mr. Bishop - Mr. Dreves
Mrs. Domhoff - Mr. Dreves
Mr. Dreves - Mr. Dreves

The Treasurer declares Mr. Dreves as Vice President of the Governing Board for 2020.

President Mr. Bishop assumed the floor.

SET 2020 GOVERNING BOARD MEETINGS AND DATES

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20-03 Motion by Mr. Dreves, Second by Mrs. Domhoff to set the Regular Meeting dates, times, and places for 2020 as presented.

Roll Call: Mr. Dreves, Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

APPOINT LEGISLATIVE LIAISON

20-04 Motion by Mrs. Domhoff, Second by Mr. Dreves to appoint Mr. Ryan as Legislative Liaison for the Governing Board for 2020.

Roll Call: Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Dreves, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

TREASURER/SUPERINTENDENT AUTHORITY

20-05 Motion by Mr. Dreves, Second by Mrs. Domhoff to grant the Treasurer the authority to pay bills as they become due.

Roll Call: Mr. Dreves, Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

20-06 Motion by Mrs. Domhoff, Second by Mr. Dreves to appoint the Superintendent as the purchasing agent for the Educational Service Center.

Roll Call: Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Dreves, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

20-07 Motion by Mrs. Domhoff, Second by Mr. Dreves to authorize the Superintendent to employ personnel as needed with such employment to be presented for approval by the Governing Board at the next regular meeting.

Roll Call: Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Dreves, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC RECORDS REPRESENTATIVE

20-08 Motion by Mr. Dreves, Second by Mrs. Domhoff to approve the designation of **Lori Simone, Treasurer** as a representative of the Trumbull County ESC Governing Board to attend public records training as required by the State of Ohio Attorney General.

Roll Call: Mr. Dreves, Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

MEMBERSHIPS

20-09 Motion by Mrs. Domhoff, Second by Mr. Dreves to renew its Ohio School Boards Association membership, including publications, for 2020 as listed below:

Ohio School Boards Association	\$3,566.00
Ohio School Boards Legal Assistance Fund	\$ 250.00
National School Boards Association	\$2,700.00

Roll Call: Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Dreves, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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20-16 Motion by Mr. Dreves, Second by Mrs. Domhoff to employ **Emma Wason, Academic Coach**, up to 20 hours per week, at a rate of \$25.00 per hour effective January 20, 2020. All costs paid by Brookfield.

Roll Call: Mr. Dreves, Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE STATE OF OHIO EDCHOICE SCHOLARSHIP (VOUCHER) PROGRAM

20-17 Motion by Mrs. Domhoff, Second by Mr. Dreves to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Ohio legislature has recently made amendments which greatly increase the number and availability of vouchers for students to attend private/parochial schools at tax expense, and

WHEREAS, such vouchers will be available to numerous families and students who have never attended public schools and for whom state funding has never been provided to public schools, and

WHEREAS, districts state funding will be unjustly decreased by the amount of the vouchers provided to such families and students who have not and will not attend public schools and others who transfer to private/parochial schools, and

WHEREAS, private/parochial schools accepting students with public tax vouchers would not be required to accept all students but would be permitted to retain their selective admission policies without enforcement of other laws applicable to public schools, and

WHEREAS, private/parochial school students are not subject to the testing standards required of public school students so that the actual performance of private/parochial schools subsidized with public tax dollars will not be known, relative to equivalent public school evaluation standards, and

WHEREAS, this Board believes that the EdChoice voucher program as it currently exists presents serious constitutional issues regarding the separation of church and state and the funding of religious institutions with public tax dollars, and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has the constitutional responsibility to secure a thorough and efficient system of common schools, and

WHEREAS, the EdChoice voucher program will have exactly the opposite effect by providing funding to private/parochial schools at the expense and to the detriment of public schools and their students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Trumbull County Educational Service Center Governing Board that this Board reaffirms its commitment to free accessible public schools which are adequately and equitably funded to guarantee a comparable education for ALL children and therefore opposes and respectfully requests the repeal of the ill-conceived EdChoice voucher program of the State of Ohio.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board opposes any funding programs, vouchers or otherwise, that have the effect of diverting public tax dollars from public schools to private/parochial schools.

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Roll Call: Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Dreves, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

SUBSTITUTES

20-18 Motion by Mrs. Domhoff, Second by Mr. Dreves to employ the additional list of substitutes on an as needed basis effective January 1, 2020.

Roll Call: Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Dreves, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

1st Reading Policy Updates

EXECUTIVE SESSION

20-19 Motion by Mrs. Domhoff, Second by Mr. Dreves to enter into an Executive Session at 4:12 to discuss the following issues that are exempted from public sessions:

- consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, or official

Roll Call: Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Dreves, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

Return to regular session at 4:25.

ADJOURN

20-20 Motion by Mr. Dreves, Second by Mrs. Domhoff to adjourn the 2020 Organizational Meeting and the Regular Meeting at 4:25 p.m.

Roll Call: Mr. Dreves, Mrs. Domhoff, Mr. Bishop – ayes. Motion Carried.

Date Approved

Board President

Attest: _____

Treasurer