

**Regular Meeting Minutes
Bethel Board of Education
Monday, July 8, 2019**

**Auditorium
7:00P.M.**

The Board of Education met in a Regular meeting on Monday, July 8, 2019 in Elementary Auditorium with Board President Jacob King presiding

Roll Call

Present: Mr. King, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Elam

Absent: Mr. Wright

Hearing on the Re-employment of Brett Brookhart/Public Comment

Mr. King called for public comment to which there was no response.

Additions to Agenda (if needed)

Treasurer's Report

Certificate of Availability, line #7

Superintendent's Report

Supplemental Employment, line #2, Becca Kuhlman, Varsity Volleyball Coach

Resignations, line # 3, Randy Morgret, Bus Driver, effective July 31, 2019

Review of Old Business

There was no old business to review.

Hearing of the Public Regarding Agenda Items

President Mr. King called for the Hearing of the Public regarding agenda items, to which there was no response

Communications, Meetings, Announcements

July 8	-	Board of Education Regular Meeting-7:00 pm – Auditorium
July 22-26	-	Kindergarten “Safety Town” sponsored by Miami County Sheriff
July 27	-	“Bee Strong” 5 K- 9:00 am-Charleston Falls
July 29	-	Board of Education Retreat
July 30	-	Board of Education Work Session -5:00 pm-Auditorium
August 3	-	Boosters Hog Roast
August 12	-	Facilities Meeting-6:00 pm-Auditorium
August 12	-	Board of Education Regular Meeting 7:00 pm-Auditorium
August 15	-	New Teacher In-Service
August 16 -20	-	Teacher In- Service
August 19	-	6 th Grade/New Middle School Student Orientation 8:30 am-Bethel Hall
August 19	-	Open House: Elementary 5:30 pm, Middle School 6:45 pm, High School 8:00 pm
August 21	-	First Day of School-grades 1-12
August 23	-	First Day of School-Kindergarten

Treasurer's Items Requesting Board Action

2020-03

Motion by: Mr. Elam to place amended items from the treasurer's report on the consent calendar

1. The Bethel Board of Education to approve the resolution to proceed (Income Tax Levy).

The Board of Education of the Bethel Local School District, County of Miami, Ohio, met in regular session at 7:00PM, on the 8th day of July, 2019, at Bethel Elementary Auditorium, Tipp City, Ohio, with the following members present:

Mr. Jacob King
Mrs. Julie Reese
Mr. Todd Wright-ABSENT
Mrs. Lori Sebastian
Mr. Danny Elam

_____ introduced the following resolution:

BETHEL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. **2020-01**

RESOLUTION PROPOSING THE LEVY OF AN ANNUAL TAX FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT PURPOSES ON THE EARNED INCOME OF INDIVIDUALS TO RENEW AN INCOME TAX EXPIRING AT THE END OF 2020 AND DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH SUBMISSION OF SAID LEVY

WHEREAS, this board of education at its meeting on the 10th day of June, 2019, by resolution duly adopted, determined the necessity of raising an additional \$1,663,246 per year for school district purposes, and further provided that application be made to the Tax Commissioner of the Ohio Department of Taxation to estimate the property tax rate that would have to be imposed by the School District in the current year to produce said additional annual amount and to estimate the income tax rate that would have had to have been in effect for the current year as a school district income tax to produce said additional annual amount; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Commissioner of the Ohio Department of Taxation has certified to this board of education that the estimated property tax rate that would have to be imposed by the School District in the current year to produce said additional annual amount is 10.79 mills and that the estimated income tax rate that would have had to have been in effect for the current year as a school district income tax to produce said additional annual amount is 0.75%;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Bethel Local School District:

SECTION 1. That pursuant to Section 5748.02 of the Ohio Revised Code as amended (the "Act") renewal of a levy of an annual tax for the purpose of current expenses on the taxable income of individuals as defined in divisions (E)(1)(b) of Section 5748.01 of the Ohio Revised Code is hereby proposed and it is hereby determined to proceed with the submission to the electors of the school district the question of levying a renewal income tax of three quarters of one percent (0.75%) per annum on the taxable income of individuals for the purpose of current expenses for five years at the election to be held on November 5, 2019. Said tax, if approved by the electors, shall be effective January 1, 2021.

SECTION 2. That the treasurer of this board of education be and is hereby directed to immediately certify the following to the board of elections: (a) this resolution and (b) the estimated property tax rate that would have to be imposed in the current year to produce said additional annual amount and the estimated income tax rate that would have had to have been in effect for the current year as a school district income tax to produce said additional annual amount, as calculated and certified by the Tax Commissioner of the Ohio Department of Taxation, and to notify said board of elections to cause notice of such election to be given as required by law.

SECTION 3. That the form of ballot, upon which the question of levying said additional tax shall be submitted to the electors, shall be substantially as follows:

PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL)

BETHEL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

A majority affirmative vote is
necessary for passage.

Shall an annual income tax of three quarters of one percent (0.75%) on the earned income of individuals residing in the district be imposed by the Bethel Local School District to renew an income tax expiring at the end of 2020, for five years, beginning January 1, 2021, **FOR THE PURPOSE OF CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES?**

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

SECTION 4. 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.

_____ seconded the motion and the roll being called upon the question of adoption of the resolution, the vote resulted as follows:

AYE:

NAY:

ADOPTED this ____ day of June, 2019.

Treasurer

2. Motion to approve the following minutes:

June 10, 2019 Regular Meeting
June 25, 2019 Work Session Meeting

3. The Bethel Board of Education to approve the Payment of Bills:

4. The Bethel Board of Education approves the monthly financial reports as prepared by the Treasurer.

5. The Bethel Board of Education to approve a resolution to clarify awarding of district scholarships.

WHEREAS, this Board of Education currently has five (5) scholarship programs to be implemented for the benefit of students, specifically the following:

1. Brent Clendening Memorial Scholarship
2. Bethel Grange Scholarship
3. Bethel Women’s Community Club Scholarship
4. Holston Scholarship
5. Triple A Administrator Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of each of these five funds is to award funds to graduating Senior student for the purpose of furthering her/his education or job training; and

WHEREAS, our Administrative Staff seeks to establish criteria for eligibility and also to establish amounts of annual awards to ensure proper continuity of each Scholarship; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the District’s Administrative Staff to Establish criteria for eligibility amounts of annual awards to ensure proper continuity of each Scholarship;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that our Administrative Staff submit and present the amounts and recipients each year to this Board for approval

6. The Bethel Board of Education to approve the agreement with Clark Schaeffer Hackett CPAs and advisors:

Fiscal Year 2019 Statement Compilation \$3,500

7. The Bethel Board of Education to approve the following Certificate of Availability

Montgomery County ESC	\$13,918.83
Works International, Inc.	\$ 3,000.00

Seconded by: Mrs. Sebastian

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. King, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Elam

Nays: none

Motion carried: 4-0

Discussion: Mrs. Sebastian pointed out some items on the tax resolution that needed updated. Mrs. Reese asked for clarification on #6 and Mr. Hattery’s comment that he had planned on doing this himself. Due to the loss of our accounts payable, Mr. Hattery didn’t have the bandwidth to do this for this year. Mr. Elam asked about #7, Works International and what is it. Mr. Hattery replied that this is Public School Works.

2020-04

Motion by: Mrs. Reese to adopt consent calendar from Treasurer’s Report
Seconded by: Mr. Elam
Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. King, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Elam
Nays:
Motion carried: 4-0

Information from the Treasurer

Fundraiser approved- Girls basketball-Sunday Jr. NBA League 3 vs 3 (July 21, 28, and August 4, 11). Mr. Hattery added that we will need to find a Levy Chairperson.

Superintendent’s Items Requesting Board Action

2020-05

Motion by: Mrs. Reese to place items from the superintendent’s report on the consent calendar.

- 1. Approval of classified administrator:

The Bethel Board of Education to approve the following individual(s):

James Chapman as Maintenance Director, effective July 1, 2019 through July 31, 2019
at an hourly rate of \$27.23

- 2. Supplemental Employment:

The Bethel Board of Education accepts the recommendation of approval for the following individuals for school year 2019-2020 advisory positions and volunteers commensurate with the supplemental negotiated agreement (pending Pupil Activity certification, FBI/BCI verification and drug screening results):

Abby Manson	Resident Educator Mentor
Heather Sease	Math Coach
Carrie Livesay	Math Coach
Becca Kuhlman	Varsity Volleyball Coach

- 3. Approval of Resignation (s):

The Bethel Board of Education to approve the following resignation:

Suzanne Batten, Special Education Director, effective July 31, 2019
Nicole Mayes, Treasurer Asst./Accounts Payable, effective July 12, 2019
Jared Ratliff, IT Director, effective July 17, 2019
Randy Morgret, Bus Driver, effective July 31, 2019

- 4. Approval of Cross Country Trip for Tiffin Carnival Meet:

The Bethel Board of Education to approve the overnight trip for Bethel’s Cross Country team to compete in the Tiffin Carnival Meet. Trip dates are September 6th through September 7th. The Board will not incur any of the cost for the hotel stay at the Hampton Inn in Findlay.

Seconded by: Mrs. Sebastian
Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. King, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Elam
Nays: none
Motion carried: 4-0

2020-06

Motion by: Mr. Elam to adopt the consent calendar from Superintendent 's Report

Seconded by: Mrs. Reese

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. King, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Elam

Nays:

Motion carried: 4-0

Information from the Superintendent

There was nothing additional to report

Board Report-2020-02

1. RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMMISSION EXPEDITED LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Bethel Local School District ("School District"), Miami County, Ohio, met in regular session on July 8, 2019, and adopted the following Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the School District intends to participate in the Expedited Local Partnership Program as outlined in SB 272; and

WHEREAS, the School District is planning to expend local resources to achieve a separate and distinct part of an overall master facilities plan of the school district's facility needs as prepared, in conjunction, with the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission ("Commission"), that is either new construction or major repairs; and

WHEREAS, the School District Board intends to move forward with a ballot issue or apply other local resources in August 2020 and acknowledges this date may not be sooner than twelve (12) months following the date of this resolution unless the district has a master facilities plan developed under another OFCC program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Bethel Local School District, Miami County, Ohio that the school district declares its intention to participate in the Expedited Local Partnership Program.

Discussion: Mrs. Reese announced she is resigning as the facility committee chair and she nominated Mr. Firks as the new chair. Mr. King accepted the resignation and nomination. In regards to the above resolution, Mr. King stated he believes this is for the best for the district not just now but also the future. This will help reduce the tax burden of taxpayers and is a way to receive state funding. Mrs. Sebastian inquired about our student representatives for the 2019-2020 school year. Mrs. Sebastian also wanted to publically thank the Miami County Park District for the wonderful parks they offer to us.

Hearing of the BEA President

Mrs. Brewer welcomed Mr. Brookhart back and stated she is enjoying summer

Hearing of the Public

President Mr. King called for the Hearing of the Public, to which there was no response.

Executive Session

2020-07

Mrs. Reese moved to enter an executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing.

Seconded by: Mr. Elam

The Board entered an executive session at 7:37 PM
The following members answered roll call:

Mr. King, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Elam
The Board re-entered regular session at 8:27 pm

Adjournment
2020-08

Motioned by: Mr. Elam to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by: Mrs. Sebastian

Roll Call: Mr. King, Mrs. Reese, Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. Elam

Nays:

Motion carried: 4-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm

NOTE:

If an executive session is required, it may be placed anywhere in the order of the agenda but often comes at the beginning or at the end. It is often anticipated in advance that an executive session will be necessary, but the Board may call for such should the occasion arise even though it does not appear on the prepared agenda. Executive sessions are permitted for certain specified situations. Only discussion may take place on-site in executive sessions. Voting must be done in an open meeting.

_____ *Treasurer*

_____ *President*