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OPENING CEREMONY

Prayer was offered by Larry Cain

Pledge of Allegiance

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Stenger called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Cain, present; Mr. Fowkes, present; Dr. Roe, present; Mr. Taylor, absent; Mr. Stenger, present.

(165-2024)—CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Fowkes moved, seconded by Dr. Roe, to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

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| A. | June 2024 Bills | |
| C. | June 2024 Financial Report | |
| D. | June 2024 Investment Report | |
| E. | June 2024 Monthly/Annual Comparison | |
| F. | Purchase Orders: | |
| | 1. Flag Floors: | \$18,200.00 |
| | <i>(Flooring for Conference Room, HS Area, & Admin. Office)</i> | |
| | 2. East Central Ohio Educational Service Center: | \$20,000.00 |
| | <i>(BCAP Costs)</i> | |
| | 3. Liberty Distributors: | \$ 3,068.45 |
| | <i>(High School Copy Paper)</i> | |
| | 4. Ohio Valley Educational Service Center: | \$ 5,000.00 |
| | <i>(Cost Of Oakview Juvenile Residential Center)</i> | |
| | 5. Ohio Valley Educational Service Center: | \$ 5,000.00 |
| | <i>(Cost Of Oakview Juvenile Residential Center)</i> | |
| | 6. Ohio Valley Waste Systems: | \$10,812.00 |
| | <i>(Garbage Pickup for 23-24 FY)</i> | |
| | 7. Payschools: | \$ 4,395.00 |
| | <i>(Annual Agreement for 24-25 School Year)</i> | |
| | 8. OME-RESA: | \$38,054.76 |
| | <i>(Service Cost)</i> | |
| | 9. Windstream: | \$14,000.00 |
| | <i>(District Phone Maintenance/Expenses)</i> | |
| | 10. Verizon Wireless: | \$10,000.00 |
| | <i>(District Cell Phone Maintenance/Expenses)</i> | |

Roll Call: Mr. Fowkes, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

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(166-2024)— FEDERAL PROGRAMS

At the recommendation of the Treasurer, Mr. Cain moved, seconded by Mr. Fowkes, to participate in the following Federal Programs for the 2024-2025 school year:

1. Title I
2. Title I-D
3. Title II-A
4. Title IV-A
5. IDEA-B
6. Early Childhood Special Education
7. ARP Programs
8. Stronger Connections

Roll Call: Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

(167-2024)— MICRO-PURCHASES UNDER FEDERAL PROCUREMENT

At the recommendation of the Treasurer, Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Fowkes, to approve Micro-Purchases under Federal Procurement regulations be set at \$50,000 for Fiscal Year 2025.

Roll Call: Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

(168-2024)— RESIGNATION

At the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Fowkes moved, seconded by Mr. Cain, to approve the resignation due to retirement of Kelley Brown, Assistant Treasurer, effective July 1, 2025.

Roll Call: Mr. Fowkes, aye; Mr. Cain, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

(169-2024)— RESCIND

At the recommendation of the Superintendent, Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Fowkes, to rescind the voluntary transfer of Tiffany Lucas, Administrative Assistant/Superintendent Secretary to Assistant Treasurer (Payroll) in training, effective January 1 through June 30, 2025.

Roll Call: Mr. Roe, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

(170-2024)— TRANSFER

At the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Fowkes moved, seconded by Mr. Cain, to approve the voluntary transfer of Tiffany Lucas, Administrative Assistant/Superintendent Secretary to Assistant Treasurer in training, effective January 1 through June 30, 2025.

Roll Call: Mr. Fowkes, aye; Mr. Cain, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

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(171-2024)—EMPLOYMENT

At the recommendation of the Superintendent, Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Cain, to approve the employment of Cyle Cole, Bus Driver, effective the 2024-2025 school year pending proper paperwork.

Roll Call: Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

(172-2024)—RESCIND

At the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Cain moved, seconded by Mr. Fowkes, to rescind Tiffany Lucas, Assistant Treasurer (Payroll), three (3) year contract, effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028.

Roll Call: Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

(173-2024)—EMPLOYMENT

At the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Cain moved, seconded by Dr. Roe, to approve Tiffany Lucas, Assistant Treasurer, three (3) year contract, effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028.

Roll Call: Mr. Cain, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

(174-2024)—EMPLOYMENT

At the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Cain moved, seconded by Dr. Roe, to approve the following employment <Supplementals, Volunteers, Certified & Non-Certified Substitutes>:

1. **2024-2025 Supplementals**
 - a. Olivia Kanters Jr. High Winter/Basketball Cheer Coach
 - b. Olivia Kanters Jr. High Fall/Football Cheer Coach

2. *Whereas the Union Local Board of Education has previously posted the the following position as being available to employees of the District who hold educator licenses, and no such employee meeting all of the Boards qualifications has applied for, been offered, and accepted such position. Be It Therefore Resolved that the following be hired for said position supplemental contract for the 2024-2025 school year:*
 - a. Amy Latham Winter/Basketball Head Cheer Coach
 - b. Stephanie Jendrusick Jr. High Winter/Basketball Cheer Coach

Roll Call: Mr. Cain, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

(175-2024)—JAMAL CROOK

At the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Cain moved, seconded by Mr. Fowkes, to approve the Leadership Consulting with Jamal Crook for the 2024-2025 school year at the cost of \$8,000.00.

Roll Call: Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

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(176-2024)—ANC HOMECARE LLC

At the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Fowkes moved, seconded by Dr. Roe, to approve the Staffing Agreement with ANC Homecare, LLC for the 2024-2025 school year.

Roll Call: Mr. Fowkes, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

(177-2024)—STUDENT/FAMILY HANDBOOK

At the recommendation of the Superintendent, Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Cain, to approve the Student/Family Handbooks for the 2024-2025 school year:

1. High School
2. Middle School
3. Elementary School

Roll Call: Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMSFundraisers

1. Cheerleaders - Clothing Sale - July 5 - 25, 2024
2. NHS - Cup Sale - August 22 - September 20, 2024
3. Class of 2026 - Laundry Detergent, Dish Soap, & Pods – September 9-23, 2024
4. Spanish Club - Mum Sale - September 10-20, 2024
5. JSA - Enjoy Coupon Books - October 1-15, 2024
6. Spanish Club - Sausage & Cheese Sale - October 2-14, 2024
7. JSA & NHS - Mattress, Sheets, & Towels - October 12, 2024
8. Class of 2026 - Sarris Christmas Candy - October 14-28, 2024
9. NHS - Apple Sale - November 1-17, 2024
10. NHS - Roadhouse Rolls & Butter - November 3-17, 2024
11. Class of 2026 - Tickets & Concession at MS Dance - November 15, 2024
12. JSA - Donations to watch a Christmas movie - December 6, 2024
13. JSA - Donations to watch a Christmas movie - December 20, 2024
14. Class of 2026 - Pepperoni Rollers - January 6-22, 2025
15. Class of 2026 - Grill & Cooler Raffle - March 3-19, 2025
16. HS Softball - Egg My Yard - March 17 - April 15, 2025
17. NHS - Candle Sale - April 1-12, 2025

(178-2024)—SPECIAL MEETING

Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Cain, to establish a Special Board Meeting for the purpose of financial matters and any other business deemed necessary, June 30, 2024, 8:00 AM, in the central office conference room.

Roll Call: Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

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(179-2024)—EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:29 AM, Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Cain, to go into Executive Session for the following reason:

- To consider matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.

Roll Call: Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Cain, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Fowkes Left the Meeting at 8:40AM

At 8:57 AM, Mr. Cain moved, seconded by Dr. Roe, to come out of Executive Session.

Roll Call: Mr. Cain, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 3-0.

(180-2024)—ADJOURNMENT

At 8:57 AM Mr. Cain moved, seconded by Dr. Roe, to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Mr. Cain, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Stenger, aye. Motion carried 3-0.

President

Treasurer

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OPENING CEREMONY

Prayer was offered by Bernie Thompson

Pledge of Allegiance

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Fowkes called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Cain, absent; Mr. Fowkes, present; Dr. Roe, present; Mr. Taylor, present; Mr. Stenger, absent.

(181-2024)— AUDIOLOGY AGREEMENT

At the recommendation of the Treasurer, Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the Audiology Agreement for Regional Cooperative Programs for the 2024-2025 school year with.

Roll Call: Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Taylor, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Motion carried 3-0.

(182-2024)— YOUSCIENCE AGREEMENT

At the recommendation of the Treasurer, Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the YouScience Agreement for the 2024-2025 School Year at the cost of \$1,344.70.

Roll Call: Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Taylor, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Motion carried 3-0.

(183-2024)— MUSKINGUM VALLEY

At the recommendation of the Treasurer, Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Dr. Roe, to approve the Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center Orientation and Mobility Service Agreement effective July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025, and the cost of \$5,200 per student for direct service and \$500 per student for consult for Orientation and Mobility Services and additional 5% fiscal fee.

Roll Call: Mr. Taylor, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Motion carried 3-0.

(184-2024)—RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH BOND ISSUE

Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, this Board of Education by resolution duly adopted on June 28, 2024, determined: (1) the necessity of issuing bonds in the amount of \$34,630,000, for the purpose of paying part of the cost of constructing various improvements to the District's Elementary, Middle and High Schools, including technology and electrical upgrades, roof and ceiling replacements, STEM labs, security upgrades, asbestos abatement, draining, paving and fire protection improvements, Middle School flooring and bleacher improvements, asphalt and sidewalk repair, together with other improvements and necessary appurtenances thereto, and the necessity of levying an annual direct tax on all the taxable property in this School District, outside of the tenmill limitation to pay the interest on and to retire said bonds and provided that the question of issuing said bonds and of levying said direct tax shall be submitted to the electors of said School District at

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the election to be held on November 5, 2024; and (2) the necessity of levying an additional tax levy for the purpose of providing funds for the acquisition, construction, enlargement, renovation and financing of permanent improvements at the rate of one-half mill for each one dollar of taxable value, commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025, for a continuing period of time; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of this Board of Education has certified that the maximum maturity of said bonds is twenty (20) years; and

WHEREAS, the Belmont County Auditor has certified the total tax valuation of the School District, the estimated millage required for debt charges on the bonds and has estimated the annual property tax revenue to be produced by the proposed permanent improvement levy; and 3 WHEREAS, the County Auditor has certified that the estimated average annual levy throughout the life of said bonds which will be required to pay the interest on and retire said bonds is six and two-tenths (6.20) mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$217 for each \$100,000 of the County Auditor's appraised value; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Education by resolution duly adopted intends to submit to the electors of the School District at the election to be held on November 5, 2024, the question of an additional levy of taxes for a continuing period of time for permanent improvements as identified herein; and

WHEREAS, the question of issuing bonds of the School District shall be combined in a single proposal with the question of such tax levy for permanent improvements as authorized by Section 5705.218 of the Ohio Revised Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Union Local School District (hereinafter called the "Board of Education"), Counties of Belmont and Harrison, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the amount of taxes that can be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the present and future requirements of the School District.

SECTION 2. That it is necessary to issue general obligation bonds of the School District for the purpose of paying part of the cost of constructing various improvements to the District's Elementary, Middle and High Schools, including technology and electrical upgrades, roof and ceiling replacements, STEM labs, security upgrades, asbestos abatement, draining, paving and fire protection improvements, Middle School flooring and bleacher improvements, asphalt and sidewalk repair, together with other improvements and necessary appurtenances thereto, and the necessity of levying an annual direct tax on all the taxable property in this School District, outside of the tenmill limitation to pay the interest on and to retire said bonds and provided that the question of issuing said bonds and of levying said direct tax shall be submitted to the electors of said School District at the election to be held on November 5, 2024, and to levy an additional tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation to pay debt charges on the bonds and any anticipatory securities.

SECTION 3. That it is necessary for a continuing period of time, to levy additional taxes in excess of the ten-mill limitation at the rate of one-half mill for each one dollar of taxable value to pay for the acquisition, construction, enlargement, renovation, and financing of permanent improvements.

SECTION 4. That the question of the bonds and tax levy shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the November 5, 2024 election, which shall not be earlier than ninety (90) days after certification of this resolution to the Belmont County Board of Elections.

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SECTION 5. That it is hereby determined necessary to proceed with the issuance of bonds of this Board of Education in the amount of \$34,630,000, for the purpose stated herein, and to levy an annual direct tax on all the taxable property in said School District outside of the limitation imposed by Section 2 of Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to pay 4 debt charges on the bonds and any anticipatory securities, and that the question of issuing said bonds and of levying said direct tax shall be submitted to the electors of said School District at the election to be held on November 5, 2024.

SECTION 6. That the Treasurer of this Board of Education be and is hereby directed to certify to the Board of Elections a true and correct copy of the resolution of this Board of Education determining the necessity of said bonds, said direct taxes and said election and a true and correct copy of this resolution, together with the County Auditor's certificate stating the amount of the average tax levy, expressed in dollars for each \$100,000 of the County Auditor's appraised value as well as in mills for each \$1 of taxable value, and the annual amount to be generated by the one-half mill for permanent improvements, each as estimated by the Belmont County Auditor, and the maximum number of years required to retire said bonds and to notify said Board of Elections to cause notice of such election to be given as required by law.

SECTION 7. That it is hereby determined necessary to proceed with a levy of taxes at a rate of one-half mill for each one dollar of tax valuation for permanent improvements as identified herein, for a continuing period of time to be first levied in 2024, collection year 2025; and that the question of issuing bonds of the School District shall be combined in a single proposal, with the question of such tax levy.

SECTION 8. That the form of ballot upon which the questions of issuing said bonds and of levying said direct tax and the permanent improvement direct tax shall be submitted to the electors substantially as follows:

PROPOSED BOND ISSUE AND TAX LEVY

Majority Affirmative Vote is
Necessary for Passage

Shall the Union Local School District be authorized to do the following:

(1) Issue bonds for the purpose of paying part of the cost of constructing various improvements to the District's Elementary, Middle and High Schools, including technology and electrical upgrades, roof and ceiling replacements, STEM labs, security upgrades, asbestos abatement, draining, paving and fire protection improvements, Middle School flooring and bleacher improvements, asphalt and sidewalk repair, together with other improvements and necessary appurtenances thereto, in the principal amount of \$34,630,000 to be repaid annually over a maximum period of twenty (20) years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the tenmill limitation, estimated by the County Auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond issue 6.20 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$217 for each \$100,000 of the County Auditor's appraised value, commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025, to pay the annual debt charge on the bonds, and to pay debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds?

(2) Levy an additional property tax to provide funds for the acquisition, construction, enlargement, renovation, and financing of permanent improvements, that the County Auditor estimates will collect \$204,000 annually at a rate not exceeding one-half mill for each \$1 of taxable value which amounts to \$18 for each \$100,000 of the County Auditor's appraised value, commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025, for a continuing period of time?

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	FOR THE BOND ISSUE AND LEVY
	AGAINST THE BOND ISSUE AND LEVY

SECTION 9. 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: Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Taylor, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Motion carried 3-0.

(185-2024)—EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:05 AM, Mr. Taylor moved, seconded by Dr. Roe, to go into Executive Session for the following reason:

- To consider matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.

Roll Call: Mr. Taylor, aye; Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Motion carried 3-0.

At 8:18 AM, Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to come out of Executive Session.

Roll Call: Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Taylor, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Motion carried 3-0.

(186-2024)—ADJURNMENT

At 8:19 AM Dr. Roe moved, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Dr. Roe, aye; Mr. Taylor, aye; Mr. Fowkes, aye; Motion carried 3-0.

President

Treasurer