

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE COVINGTON EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2021 – 5:30 P.M.**

The Covington EVSD Board of Education met for their regular meeting on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 in the Library at Covington K-8 building, 807 Chestnut St., Covington, Ohio, with President Dr. Dean Pond presiding. Mr. Pond called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Lee Harmon, Mark Miller, Kerry Murphy, Dean Pond, Jim Rench
Absent: None

Additions or Corrections to the Agenda

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Resolution #110-21

Motion by Dr. Pond and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the Agenda with addendum as submitted in (Exhibit #1)

Roll Call: Ayes: Harmon, Miller, Murphy, Pond, Rench.
Nays: none. Motion carried.

Open Forum

There were no request to Speak During Board Meeting.

- Representatives from Siegel's Country Store and Casey's were present to receive recognition from the Superintendent and Board for their contributions to Covington EVSD. Both companies were included in the OSBA Business Honor Roll.
- Rose McMaken was present and received recognition from the Board for her retirement after teaching grades 6-8 for 33 years at Covington. Principal Meyer spoke about her teaching career and read comments from her co-workers.
- The Board held a public hearing for IDEA Part B use of federal funds FY'22 federal award of \$155,430. The District plans to use the funds to maintain (2) existing special education teacher salaries and benefits. There were no requests to speak from the community.
- The Board held a public hearing for use of ARP ESSER federal funds of \$1,182,346. The expenditure timeline is through 9/30/2024. There were no requests to speak from the community regarding the draft proposed spending plan which will be available on the school website. (Exhibit 1)

TREASURER REPORTS

Resolution #111-21

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Motion by Mr. Harmon and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2021 regular meeting. (Exhibit A.)

Roll Call: Ayes: Miller, Murphy, Pond, Rench Harmon.
Nays: none. Motion carried.

Resolution #112-21

Motion by Mr. Rench and seconded by Dr. Pond to approve the following:

1. Approve the July 2022 Financial Reports (Exhibit B)

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2. Approval of FY22 Annual Appropriations (Exhibit C.)

C

Roll Call: Ayes: Murphy, Pond, Rench, Harmon, Miller.
Nays: none. Motion carried

Other – Informational – Treasurer – Income Tax

* The District received its quarterly 2021 distribution for the collection period 4/1/2021-6/30/2021. The income is reflected in your July financial reports.

	<u>4/1/21-6/30/21</u>
Withholdings	\$465,681
Individual Returns & Estimates	\$514,691
Refunds	\$-60,644
State Collection Fee	<u>\$-13,796</u>
Total Collections	\$905,932

* The compiler has completed the FY21 Financial Statements and will file the financial statements with the State of Ohio prior to the 8-31-21 deadline. The Schools two-year audit is underway with an estimated audit release in November. The Auditor of State sent the engagement letter with the 20/21 audit cost not to exceed \$22,550.00. The cost of the 18/19 audit was \$29,725.00

Committee Reports

- A. Community Relations Liaison – Mr. Harmon
- B. Legislative Update – Mr. Harmon/Mr. Murphy
- C. Building & Grounds Committee – Mr. Miller/Mr. Murphy
- D. Transportation Committee – Mr. Murphy/Mr. Harmon
- E. Finance/Audit Committee – Dr. Pond/Mr. Rench
- F. Upper Valley Career Center Report – Mr. Harmon

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT AND REQUESTS

A. Administrative Consent

Resolution #113-21

Motion by Mr. Harmon and seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the following:

1. Gratefully accept the following donations:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sweet Treats Ice Cream	FFA Camp	\$ 50.00
AJH Investment Inc	FFA Camp	\$ 50.00
New Tech Plastics Inc	FFA Camp	\$ 100.00
Rogers Grain	FFA Camp	\$ 200.00
Various	Volleyball Program	\$ 220.00
Various	Cross Country	\$ 2,265.00
Athletic Boosters	HS Cheer Uniforms	\$ 433.05
Felger Memorial Fund	Scholarships	\$14,233.03

2. Approval of bus routes for SY2021-2022, and authorize the Superintendent to make adjustments, if needed, throughout the school year.

3. Approval of annual cell phone allowances for the following positions, for business use as outlined in policy 7530.01:

Superintendent	\$600
Treasurer	\$600
Principals	\$600
Athletic Directors (2)	\$600
Curriculum Director	\$600
Technology Director	\$600
Custodial Maintenance Coordinator	\$600
Custodians	\$300
Bus Drivers	\$300
Food Service Director	\$300

Roll Call: Ayes: Pond, Rench, Harmon, Miller, Murphy.
 Nays: none. Motion carried.

B. Personnel Consent

Resolution#114-21

Motion by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Rench to approve the following certified and classified recommendations:

1. Approve the following certified supplemental contracts for SY2021-2022:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Shaffer, Kate	MUSE Machine Advisor
Groppi, Amber	Junior Optimist Club Advisor

2. Re-employment of the following certified substitutes for SY2021-2022, as needed:

Barnett-Underwood, Michelle	Lauck, Ann
Battle, Laura	Leighner, Kimberly
Benkert, Deanna	Lynn, Teresa Marie
Burchfield, Jeanette	Minnich, Terry
Burner, Andre	Phillis, Sue
Burnside, Patsy	Place, Gregory
Coker, Carrie	Pierre, Jessica
Cook, Kate	Pond, Jennifer
Cusac-Seale, Eve	Reed, Robert
Driver, Courtney	Rhoads, Jerry
Egbert, Jason	Richied, Lynn
Frock, Tracy	Rowland, Amberly
Gingerich, Melody	Subler, Susan
Griffieth, Patricia	Taylor, Elizabeth
Hampshire, Melinda	Taylor, Mia
Horner, Heidi	Trick, Daniel
Kelch, Matthew	Williams, Patricia
Lantz, Kathleen	Wise, Timothy

Recommendations – Personnel – Classified:

3. Approve the following volunteer for SY2021-2022:

Waag, Renee	Volleyball Program
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4. Approve the following classified substitutes for SY2021-2022, as needed:

Crossman, Sherry	substitute cafeteria
Jones, Jim	substitute bus driver
Monnin, Brittany	substitute aide, cafeteria, and secretary
Shaffer, Paul	substitute custodian

5. Accept the resignation of the Junior High Assistant Football Coach position, Jesse French, effective immediately.

6. Approve the following classified supplemental contract for SY2021-2022:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Boehringer, Nancy	Freshman Class Advisor

(Pending successful background checks, transcript verifications and proper licensure have been completed.)

Roll Call: Ayes: Rench, Harmon, Miller, Murphy, Pond.
Nays: none. Motion carried.

C. Approval of an Increase in Classified Substitute Pay

Resolution #115-21

Motion by Mr. Harmon and seconded by Dr. Pond to approve the hourly rate of classified substitute pay to a rate of 95% of step 0 per classified salary schedule.

Roll Call: Ayes: Harmon, Miller, Murphy, Pond, Rench.
Nays: none. Motion carried.

D. Approval of an Increase in Certified Substitute Pay

Resolution #116-21

Motion by Mr. Rench and seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the daily rate of certified substitute pay to a rate of \$110.00 per day.

Roll Call: Ayes: Miller, Murphy, Pond, Rench, Harmon.
Nays: none. Motion carried.

E. Approve the contract for the Council of Rural Services to provide the Achievement for Educational Success (ACES) program. D

Resolution #117-21

Motion by Dr. Pond and seconded by Mr. Harmon to approve the Achievement for Educational Success (ACES) program (Exhibit D.)

Roll Call: Ayes: Murphy, Pond, Rench, Harmon, Miller.
Nays: none. Motion carried.

F. Approve the use of School Buses to provide transportation for Fort Rowdy.

Resolution #118-21

Motion by Mr. Rench and seconded by Mr. Harmon to approve the use of school buses to provide transportation for Fort Rowdy.

Roll Call: Ayes: Pond, Rench, Harmon, Miller, Murphy.
Nays: none. Motion carried.

G. Creation of a Junior Optimist Club

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Resolution #119-21

Motion by Mr. Harmon and seconded by Mr. Rench to approve the creation of a Junior Optimist Club for students in grades 9-12. (Exhibit E)

Roll Call: Ayes: Rench, Harmon, Miller, Murphy, Pond.
Nays: none. Motion carried.

H. Items for Discussion

1. Smith Field Locker Room Update
2. Enrollment
3. TRC Conference Update
4. Summer School
5. In Lieu of Transportation

I. Old Business

1. Update on outstanding student fees and the implementation of PaySchools online payment system. We are discontinuing Pay-For-It and will have PaySchools online payment system up and running prior to open house. There will be no parent service charges for payments made online through 9/30/2021.
2. Update on the launch of a district-wide Remind subscription.

J. New Business

1. Brandon Koverman, student teacher from Wright State University-Lake Campus, will be working with Chuck Cantrell in the HS Social Studies Department. Brandon will spend 3 days in the classroom the 1st semester and 5 days a week the 2nd semester of the school year.

K. Executive Session

Resolution #120-21

Motion by Dr. Pond and seconded by Mr. Harmon to enter Executive Session to discuss pending legal matters.

Roll Call: Ayes: Harmon, Miller, Murphy, Pond, Rench.
Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Board entered Executive Session at 06:30 p.m.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 07:25 p.m.

L. Adjournment

Resolution #121-21

Dr. Pond moved and seconded by Mr. Harmon to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes: Miller, Murphy, Pond, Rench, Harmon,.
Nays: none. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 07:27 p.m.

The next meeting is Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

DEAN POND, PRESIDENT

CARMEN SIEFRING, TREASURER