

*Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio  
Essex Place – 6393 Oak Tree Blvd., Independence, Ohio 44131*

***MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – Thursday, July 29, 2021***

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m.

**Roll Call via Zoom Meeting-**

Present – Christine Krol, Frank Mahnic, Carol Fortlage, Anthony Miceli

Absent – Anton Hocevar

Administration Present - Bob Mengerink, Bruce Basalla, Steve Rogaski, Jennifer Dodd

**Public Participation** - There was none.

**Resolution #2021-07-01 - Approve the Agenda**

Motion: Frank Mahnic; seconded Anthony Miceli

**Resolution #2021-07-01.01 Motion to amend Agenda, Removing the following resolutions #2021-07-02, #2021-07-03, #2021-07-09 and #2021-07-10**

Motion: Anthony Miceli; seconded by Carol Fortlage

Ayes: Anthony Miceli, Carol Fortlage, Frank Mahnic, Christine Krol

***Motion carried unanimously***

**Resolution #2021-07-1 As Amended**

Ayes: Frank Mahnic, Anthony Miceli, Carol Fortlage, Christine Krol

***Motion carried unanimously***

The Treasurer updated the Governing Board on items that would be approved in the Consent Agenda that included personnel changes and contracts. He also informed the board that the finance office is in the middle of converting from the classic state software system to the state's redesigned software, which has been a challenging transition for his team. He updated the Board on the EANS grant (Emergency Assistance for Non Public Schools) that his office is undertaking. Lastly, he updated the Board that Joel Snider, the ESC Fiscal Officer, had been approved as Treasurer of the Windham Schools and that he would come back to the Board once he has determined how he would replace that position.

**Resolution #2021-07-04 - Approve Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio Central Office Positions**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio shall approve the following additional Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio Central Office Positions, as recommended by the Superintendent.

- Educator Quality Consultant
- Educator Quality Specialist

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Motion: Frank Mahnic; seconded by Carol Fortlage

Ayes: Frank Mahnic, Carol Fortlage, Anthony Miceli, Christine Krol  
*Motion carried unanimously*

### **Resolution #2021-07-05 - Approve Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio Office of Exceptional Children (OEC) Waiver Request**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio approves the submission of a waiver request to the Ohio Department of Education Office for Exceptional Children (OEC) for Capstone Academy for the 2021-2022 school year to increase the maximum number of students per classroom from eight to nine in five classrooms. If the OEC waiver is approved, the Governing Board affirms that services will be provided consistent with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) and the Ohio Operating Standards for the Education of Children with Disabilities (Operating Standards)

Motion: Anthony Miceli; seconded by Frank Mahnic

Ayes: Anthony Miceli, Frank Mahnic, Carol Fortlage, Christine Krol  
*Motion carried unanimously*

### **Resolution #2021-07-06 - Approve Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio Office of Exceptional Children (OEC) Waiver Request**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio approves the submission of a waiver request to the Ohio Department of Education Office for Exceptional Children (OEC) for Passport School Program for the 2021-2022 school year to waive the maximum student age span of 60 months within one classroom. If the OEC waiver is approved, the Governing Board affirms that services will be provided consistent with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) and the Ohio Operating Standards for the Education of Children with Disabilities (Operating Standards).

Motion: Anthony Miceli; seconded by Frank Mahnic

Ayes: Anthony Miceli, Frank Mahnic, Carol Fortlage, Christine Krol  
*Motion carried unanimously*

The Superintendent reviewed his self-evaluation with the Governing Board, which was also distributed to the Board members. After his completing his self-review, he had Dr. Dodd update the Governing Board on Budget Bill (HB 110). He also shared that there were 11 new staff members this year at the ESC central office, many of whom were beginning August 1<sup>st</sup> and included in this month's personnel agenda.

### **Resolution #2021-07-07 – Approve Consent Agenda**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio approves the Consent Agenda with the following items:

- a. Minutes of June 24, 2021 Regular Meeting
- b. List of Personnel Changes
- c. NCSSA Substitute Renewals

- d. NCSSA New Substitutes
- e. PEP Monthly Supplemental Wage List

Motion: Carol Fortlage; seconded by Frank Mahnic

Ayes: Carol Fortlage, Frank Mahnic, Anthony Miceli, Christine Krol

*Motion carried unanimously*

**Board Resolution #2021-07-08 - Approve Professional Development for Board Members**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio approve the following professional development events for board members as an approved training program for board compensation:

OSBA Capital Conference: November 7-9, 2021 (Columbus, OH)

AESA Annual Conference: December 1-4, 2021 (Houston, TX)

NSBA Annual Conference: April 2-4, 2022 (San Diego, CA)

Motion: Carol Fortlage; seconded by Frank Mahnic

Ayes: Carol Fortlage, Frank Mahnic, Anthony Miceli, Christine Krol

*Motion carried unanimously*

**Board Member Reports and Comments**

Dr. Krol reminded everyone that board member feedback of the Superintendent’s evaluation would be due by mid-August and that the six standards, as well as the commendations and recommendations regarding goals and progress towards goals that Bob just shared in his self-evaluation, need responses.

Mrs. Fortlage had no reports but stated that her two resolutions would be brought back at a later date.

Mr. Mahnic shared that he had been appointed to the board of trustees of the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad.

Future Agenda Items

- Cash on Hand (12 Months)
- COVID-19 Workplace Financial Impact
- Updates on Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools

**Resolution #2021-07-11 Adjournment at 10:21 a.m.**

Motion: Anthony Miceli; seconded by Carol Fortlage

Ayes: Anthony Miceli, Carol Fortlage, Frank Mahnic, Christine Krol

*Motion carried unanimously*

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**NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Thursday, August 26, 2021 @ 8:30 a.m.**

**Upcoming Meetings:**

**Technology: August 10, 2021-9:30 a.m.**

**Curriculum: August 20, 2021 – 1:30 p.m.**

**Finance: August 24, 2021 – 2:00 p.m.**

**Facilities: August 26, 2021 – Immediately following the Governing Board Meeting**

Minutes submitted by Bruce Basalla, Treasurer

Minutes approved 08/26/2021

*Christine A. Krol*

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President

*B. Basalla*

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Treasurer