

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

***MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING– Thursday, April 20, 2023***

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

**Roll Call -**

Present – Christine Krol, Anthony Miceli, George Klepacz, Anthony Miceli  
Administration Present – Bob Mengerink, Jennifer Dodd, Bruce Basalla  
Mrs. Fortlage attended the meeting via Zoom

**Public Participation** - There was none.

**Resolution #2023-04-01 - Approve Agenda**

Motion: George Klepacz; seconded by Anthony Miceli  
Ayes: George Klepacz, Anthony Miceli, Christine Krol, Frank Mahnic

***Motion approved 4-0***

**Resolution #2023-04-02 - Accept the March 2023 Check Register**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center Northeast Ohio hereby accepts the Check Register for the month of March 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023.

*This resolution was tabled until the May 2023 Board meeting.*

**Resolution #2023-04-03 - Acceptance of the March 2023 Financial Statements**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio hereby accepts the Treasurer’s Financial Statements as of March 31, 2023, that includes the following reports: General Fund Analysis Report, Financial Report, Cash Position Financial Report by Fund, Schedule of Investments and Bank Reconciliation.

Motion: Frank Mahnic; seconded by George Klepacz  
Ayes: Frank Mahnic, George Klepacz, Christine Krol, Anthony Miceli

***Motion approved 4-0***

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The Treasurer talked about the FY23 audit report which presented an unmodified opinion. He also gave an update on NCSSA, programs and grants, which were also shared previously at Finance Committee. He noted that he would be conducting his staff evaluations within the next two weeks. He also indicated that there was no impact on the general fund from contracts and personnel to be approved at this meeting. Lastly, he provided a report on ESC fiscal status comparing budget vs. actual revenue and expenditures.

**Resolution #2023-04-04 – Approve Certified/Classified Contracts for 2023-2024 Contract Year**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio approves the recommended renewal of Certified/Classified Contracts for the 2023-2024 Contract Year.

Motion: Anthony Miceli; seconded by Frank Mahnic  
Ayes: Anthony Miceli, Frank Mahnic, George Klepacz, Christine Krol

*Motion approved 4-0*

**Resolution #2023-04-05 – Approve May 25, 2023 Board Meeting Time Change**

**Be It Resolved** that the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio is changing the time of the regular Governing Board Meeting on Thursday, May 25, 2023 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Motion: George Klepacz; seconded by Frank Mahnic  
Ayes: George Klepacz, Frank Mahnic, Christine Krol, Anthony Miceli

*Motion approved 4-0*

**Resolution #2023-04-06 – Approve Rates for Medical, Dental, Vision, and Life Insurance Coverage for 2023-2024**

**Be It Resolved**, that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio approve the following rates for the medical coverage with Medical Mutual of Ohio PPO and Medical Mutual of Ohio HSA and Metro/Skyway HMO, MetLife Dental and Life Insurance, and Anthem Vision coverage for eligible employees for the 2023-2024 school year.

**MEDICAL INSURANCE RENEWAL - 5% INCREASE**

Monthly Premium

<b>Medical Coverage</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>Bd Share</b>	<b>Emp Share</b>
Medical Mutual PPO - Employee	\$949.10	\$759.28	\$189.82
Medical Mutual PPO - Employee+ Spouse	\$1,898.17	\$1,518.54	\$379.63
Medical Mutual PPO - Employee+Child(ren)	\$1,803.28	\$1,442.63	\$360.65
Medical Mutual PPO - Family	\$2,809.31	\$2,247.45	\$561.86
Medical Mutual HSA - Employee	\$800.79	\$640.64	\$160.15
Medical Mutual HSA - Employee+Sp	\$1,601.57	\$1,281.26	\$320.31
Medical Mutual HSA - Employee+Child(ren)	\$1,521.49	\$1,217.20	\$304.29
Medical Mutual HSA - Family	\$2,370.33	\$1,896.27	\$474.06
SkyWay Plus - Employee	\$695.15	\$625.64	\$69.51
SkyWay Plus - Employee+Spouse	\$1,390.26	\$1,251.24	\$139.02
SkyWay Plus - Employee+Child(ren)	\$1,251.24	\$1,126.12	\$125.12
SkyWay Plus - Family	\$2,085.41	\$1,876.87	\$208.54
Medical Mutual MEC - Employee	\$ 736.61	\$ 589.29	\$ 147.32
Medical Mutual MEC - Employee+ Spouse	N/A	N/A	N/A
Medical Mutual MEC - Employee+Child(ren)	\$ 1,401.42	\$ 1,121.14	\$ 280.28
Medical Mutual MEC - Family	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Dental Coverage</b>			
MetLife - Employee	\$35.63	\$28.51	\$7.12
MetLife - Employee+ Spouse	\$68.10	\$54.48	\$13.62
MetLife - Employee+Child(ren)	\$78.35	\$62.68	\$15.67
MetLife - Family	\$113.79	\$91.04	\$22.75
<b>Vision Coverage</b>			
Anthem - Employee	\$6.61	\$3.31	\$3.30
Anthem - Employee+ Spouse	\$11.56	\$5.78	\$5.78
Anthem - Employee+Child(ren)	\$12.56	\$6.28	\$6.28
Anthem - Family	\$19.17	\$9.59	\$9.58
<b>Life Insurance Coverage</b>			
Basic Life	\$0.10	per \$1000	
AD&D	\$0.02	per \$1000	

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Motion: Frank Mahnic; seconded by Anthony Miceli  
Ayes: Frank Mahnic, Anthony Miceli, George Klepacz, Christine Krol

*Motion approved 4-0*

**Resolution #2023-04-06.01 – Approve Addendum to Ameriprise Lease**

**Be It Resolved** that the Governing Board of the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio approves the Fifth Addendum of the Ameriprise lease to return 1,628 sf to be utilized by the ESC of Northeast Ohio.

Motion: Frank Mahnic; seconded by George Klepacz  
Ayes: Frank Mahnic, George Klepacz, Anthony Miceli, Christine Krol, Frank Mahnic

*Motion approved 4-0*

The Superintendent congratulated the Treasurer on a clean audit and reviewed his Quarterly Progress Report document that he distributed to the board.

**Resolution #2023-04-07 - 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 March 16, 2023 Regular Board Meeting
- b. List of Personnel Changes
- c. List of OSTs New Teacher Substitutes
- d. List of OSTs Substitute Renewals
- e. Positive Education Program Monthly Supplemental Wages
- f. Betts & Associates Contract Renewal

Motion: Frank Mahnic; seconded by Anthony Miceli  
Ayes: Frank Mahnic, Anthony Miceli, George Klepacz, Christine Krol

*Motion approved 4-0*

**Board Member Reports and Comments**

Mrs. Fortlage mentioned the upcoming Finance Committee meeting on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. She also informed the group that the Superintendent of Independence Local Schools was not selected for the Willoughby-Eastlake Superintendent position.

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Mr. Klepacz commented on the amount of programming that he learned about in the Teaching and Learning Committee meeting was quote, “mind-boggling.”

Dr. Krol referenced the Teaching and Learning Committee meeting and shared information on several of the services or programs through the ESCNEO and referenced that some services were provided for a fee and others were provided in-kind. She also noted that Independence has a levy on the ballot. Mr. Mahnic talked about the efforts in the General Assembly to adjust the homestead exemption criteria.

Mr. Miceli asked for an update on the Department of Labor lease and the Ohio Scholarship Donation Credit and its impact on public schools.

#### Future Agenda Items

- Connect ITC Update
- Student Programs Update
- NCSSA Update
- Transportation Update

**Adjournment - Resolution #2023-04-08      Time: 11:12 a.m.**

Motion: Frank Mahnic; seconded by George Klepacz

Ayes: Frank Mahnic, George Klepacz, Christine Krol, Anthony Miceli

*Motion approved 4-0*

*Next Regular Board Meeting  
Thursday, May 25, 2023 @ 9:30 a.m.*

*Upcoming Committee Meetings  
Insurance Committee Meeting, May 4, 2023 @ 10:00 a.m.  
Technology Committee Meeting, May 9, 2023 @ 1:00 p.m.  
Cuyahoga Valley Chamber of Commerce State of the Schools, May 10, 2023 @ 11:30 a.m.  
Finance Committee Meeting, May 23, 2023 @ 3:00pm*

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*Minutes prepared by Bruce Basalla, Treasurer*

Minutes approved 05/25/2023

*Christine A. Grod*

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President



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Treasurer