

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
SOUTHINGTON LOCAL SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Regular Meeting

September 21, 2023

6:00 p.m.

The September 21, 2023 regular meeting was called to order by President, Mr. Terry Kelly at 5:58 p.m. Roll call was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: YES: Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Visitors-Dan Castle, Shannon Castle, Abbey Castle, Samantha Grimm, Tim Grimm, Abby Grimm, Aubree Grimm, Colton Grimm, Sue Heikkila, Val St. Clair, Heather Harentt, Joshua Vastag.

Approval of minutes

Motion by Ms. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. Dunn to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held August 17, 2023.

Roll Call: YES: Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

TREASURER'S AGENDA

Upon the Recommendation of the Treasurer a motion by Mrs. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to approve the Treasurer's Agenda items A through M as submitted (including exhibits).

Roll Call: YES: Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

**A. Financial Reports**

Cash Summary Report (Fund/SCC) – August, 2023 (Exhibit 1)  
Disbursement Summary Report – August, 2023 (Exhibit 2)

**B. Bank Reconciliation – August, 2023 (Exhibit 3)**

**C. Investment Summary – August, 2023**

		<i>August 2023</i>		<i>Fiscal-to-Date</i>	
	<i>Fund/ SCC</i>	<i>FNB Sweep</i>	<i>FNB MMA</i>	<i>FNB Sweep</i>	<i>FNB MMA</i>
General Fund	001-0000	28,040.59	0.68	51,528.65	1.35
Lunchroom Fund	006-0000	1,969.64		3,910.56	
Elementary Library	008-9001	50.03		98.06	
Russ Scholarship	008-9901	33.07		64.82	
	<b>Total</b>	30,093.33	0.68	55,602.09	1.35
		<b>Month End</b>			
<b>Investment</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>Balance</b>			
<b>FNB Sweep</b>	5.60%	6,593,310.31			
<b>FNB MMA</b>	0.081%	10,003.73			
<b>Total Invested</b>		6,603,314.04			

**D. 5-Year Financial Projection Documents – FY 2024-2028**

1. 5-Year Financial Forecast – FY 2024-2028 (Exhibit 4)
2. Assumptions to the Financial Forecast – FY 2024-2028 (Exhibit 5)
3. Zero Point Analysis – FY 2024-2028 (Exhibit 6)

**E. General Fund Spending Plan – FY 2024 (Exhibit 7)**

	General Fund	Capital Impr.	Instr. Supplies	E-Rate
	001-0000	001-9199	001-9299	001-9588
Beginning Cash Balance	\$ 4,479,456	\$ 21,157	\$ 39,768	\$ 53,609
Estimated Revenue	\$ 6,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Estimated Expenditures	\$ 5,590,000	\$ 21,157	\$ 39,768	\$ 53,609
Estimated Ending Cash Bal.	\$ 4,889,456	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

- - It is important to note that the estimated ending cash balance of \$4,889,456 is not an unencumbered or unobligated balance. The district has contractual obligations related to payroll and benefits (among others) in July and August 2024.

**F. Monthly Spending Plan Reports – July, 2023 (Exhibit 8)**

**G. Monthly Spending Plan Reports – August, 2023 (Exhibit 9)**

**H. Annual Appropriations – All Funds – FY 2024**

<b><u>Governmental Fund Types</u></b>	
General Fund	\$ 5,797,792.67
Debt Service Fund	1,006,999.35
Capital Projects Fund	277,304.66
Special Revenue Funds	1,769,312.48
<b><u>Proprietary Fund Types</u></b>	
Enterprise Funds	702,040.66
Internal Service Funds	375,000.00
<b><u>Fiduciary Fund Types</u></b>	
Expendable Trust Funds	62,966.66
Agency Funds	31,677.12
<b>Total - All Fund Types</b>	<b>\$ 10,023,093.60</b>

**I. Set-Aside Requirements – FY 2024**

		ORC 3315.18
		Set Aside
District	Enrollment	Calculation
Southington Local	396.61	\$87,471.93
<b>Base Cost of \$7,351.71 x 3% x 396.61 = \$87,471.93</b>		

**J. Transfer of Funds**

<u>Transfer From:</u>	<u>Fund/SCC</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Transfer To:</u>	<u>Fund/SCC</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	001-0000	\$ 175,136.43	Permanent Impr.	003-0000	\$ 90,000.00
			Severance Fund	035-0000	\$ 20,000.00
			Worker's Comp Fund	024-9024	\$ 10,136.43
			Insurance Fund	024-9124	\$ 55,000.00
			Total		\$ 175,136.43

**K. New Fund**

Field Trips – Camp Fitch (014-9000)  
 Field Trips – 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip (014-9001)

**L. Donations**

<u>From:</u> Don Strock	<u>To:</u> Beta Club	<u>Amount:</u> \$30.00
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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 19.23 –Commendation of Abbigail Castle**

Motion by Mrs. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Freeman to approve the following resolution:

Resolution 19.23  
 Commendation of Abbigail Castle

WHEREAS, Abbigail Castle did participate in the Girls Division III High School Track Regional Championships held on Friday, May 26, 2023 at Norwayne High School; and

WHEREAS, Abbigail placed 8th in the 3200 meters run in Division III; and

WHEREAS, this accomplishment brought honor to herself, her family, and for her school; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, Abbigail be commended for her outstanding accomplishment and that this resolution be spread upon the official minutes of the Southington Board of Education and that a true copy be presented to her.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Resolution 20.23 –Commendation of Abigayle Grimm

Motion by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Ms. Gibbs to approve the following resolution:

Resolution 20.23  
Commendation of Abigayle Grimm

WHEREAS, Abigayle Grimm did participate in the Girls Division III High School Track Regional Championships held on Friday, May 26, 2023at Norwayne High School; and

WHEREAS, Abigayle placed 4th in the long jump in Division III Regionals, qualifying for the Ohio State Track Championships held Friday, June 2, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Abigayle placed 16th in the long jump in Division III State Championship; and

WHEREAS, this accomplishment brought honor to herself, her family, and for her school; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, Abigayle be commended for her outstanding accomplishment and that this resolution be spread upon the official minutes of the Southington Board of Education and that a true copy be presented to her.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Tuition Rate for the 2023-2024 School Year

Motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Freeman to approve the in state tuition rate of \$5,353.09 and the out of state tuition rate of \$14,269.66 for the 2023-2024 school year officially calculated by the state for non-resident students, payable according to Board Policy JECB.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Field Trip

Motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Freeman to approve the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Washington D.C. from May 17, 2024 to May 20, 2024.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Course Fees For Grades 9 Through 12 For 2023-2024 School Year

Motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Freeman to approve the course fees for grades 9 through 12 for the 2023-2024 school year as indicated on the attached lists.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Mentoring

Motion by Ms. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to approve payment of \$500.00 to Linda Davenport for mentoring during the 2023-2024 school year per person mentored, for each entry level teacher that mentoring was not reimbursable through the County office.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Volunteers

Motion by Ms. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to approve the following people as volunteers for the 23.24 school year. They have completed the BCI process:

Dawn Allison	Sheila Atkins	Donette Bartholomew	Deana Baxter
Mary Jane Biery	Stephanie Bradley	Allison Brewster	Mark Brewster
Devin Byard	Ruthie Byler	Jamie Meade Carter	Tiffany Cook
Stephanie Melvin Cox	Olivia Dye	Becky Fisher	Laura Freeman
Cory Freeman	Brittney Gilanyi	Samantha Grimm	Danna Hayford
Paige Hites	Ava Houser Gilanyi	Kelley Houser	Cora Hutchinson
Amanda Kinter	Dorothy Kren	Barb LaRosa	Brooke Livezey
Becky Marlatt	Courtney Masterson	Olivia McMaster	Mellisa Moore
Barbara Miller	Jennifer Miller	Joshua Miller	Rebecca Miller
Heather Mills	Kimberly Morrison	Brianna Knapp Pagan	Taylor Romigh
Katie Ross	Aimee St. Clair	Jamie Schultz	Kelly Sobczak
Amanda Trendle	Beth Vanek	Erica Wolfe	Danette Zolna

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Game Workers

Motion by Ms. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to approve the following people as game workers for the 23.24 school year.

Tim Levensky	TJ Stewart	Roger Pack	Kasey Plock
Katie Ross	Kelsey Brown	Abby Grimm	Amanda Gibbons

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Employment-Supplementals

Motion by Ms. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to approve the following supplemental contracts for 2023-2024 pending pre-employment requirements and contingent upon a sufficient number of eligible students participating as determined by Board policy.

Morgan Duffey- Ass't cheerleading- step 1, 1 year experience (50% of contract due to no jr hi football)

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Meeting Date Change

Motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Dunn to approve to change the regular October Board meeting from Thursday, October 19, 2023 to Wednesday, October 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Amend Motion from August 17, 2023 -Rate of Pay

Motion by Ms. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to approve an hourly rate of pay of \$18 per hour for Eileen Ruschak, EMIS coordinator retroactive from August 1, 2023 to retroactive to July 1, 2023.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Resolution 21.23 –Authorize Employer Pickup-Superintendent Group

Motion by Ms. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to approve the following resolution:

Resolution 21.23  
Resolution to Authorize Employer Pickup of Employee Contributions  
“Pick-up on the Pick-up” for Superintendent Group

Be it resolved, effective August 1, 2014, the Southington Local School District’s Board of Education agrees to pick up the total amount of employee contributions required by Section 3307.26, Revised Code, to be contributed by the Superintendent Group to STRS Ohio. The Southington Board of Education is permitted to pick up employee contributions pursuant to Section 3307.27, Revised Code, and Section 414(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code. These picked-up contributions, although designated as employee contributions, are being paid by the Southington Board of Education in lieu of employee contributions and shall be paid by the board as a fringe benefit in addition to the contract salary otherwise payable to the employee. These contributions shall be treated as additional compensation for retirement purposes.

Employees in the Superintendent Group may not opt out of the pick-up contributions or elect to receive the contributed amounts directly instead of having them picked up by the Southington Board of Education and paid to STRS Ohio.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Resolution 22.23 –Authorize Employer Pickup-Certified Principal Group

Motion by Ms. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to approve the following resolution:

Resolution 22.23  
Resolution to Authorize Employer Pickup of Employee Contributions  
“Pick-up on the Pick-up” for Certified Principal Group

Be it resolved, effective August 1, 2023, the Southington Local School District’s Board of Education agrees to pick up the total amount of employee contributions required by Section 3307.26, Revised Code, to be contributed by the Certified Principal Group to STRS Ohio. The Southington Board of Education is permitted to pick up employee contributions pursuant to Section 3307.27, Revised Code, and Section 414(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code. These picked-up contributions, although designated as employee contributions, are being paid by the Southington Board of Education in lieu of employee contributions and shall be paid by the board as a fringe benefit in addition to the contract salary otherwise payable to the employee. These contributions shall be treated as additional compensation for retirement purposes.

Employees in the Certified Principal Group may not opt out of the pick-up contributions or elect to receive the contributed amounts directly instead of having them picked up by the Southington Board of Education and paid to STRS Ohio.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Memorandum of Understanding with SEA

Motion by Ms. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to approve a memorandum of understanding with SEA regarding a 2% supplemental to assist with coverage of early arriving Grades 4-12 students, this is for the 23-24 school year only.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Executive Session- O.R.C. 121.22 as needed-7:01 p.m. – 7:18 p.m.

Motion by Mrs. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Freeman to enter into executive session for the purpose of employment and matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Mrs. Dunn left executive session at 7:12 p.m.

Resume Regular Session

Motion by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to resume regular session.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

Motion to Adjourn-7:20 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Gilanyi to adjourn the September 21, 2023 regular meeting.

Roll Call: YES:. Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Gibbs, Mr. Gilanyi, Mr. Kelly

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Board President

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Treasurer