I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

IV. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

NONE

V. CORRESPONDENCE

VI. REPORTS

Board of Education President – Mandy Berardinelli

Nothing to Report

Maplewood Career Center Representative – Mandy Berardinelli

Sent out Minutes for March and April. They are operating like other districts in response to the COVID 19 Pandemic and how they will remotely teach students. They are also looking forward with respect to how they can still possibly host upcoming student events.

Legislative Report- Ted St. John

HB197 was passed on March 25th, in response to the COVID 19 public health crisis. Governor DeWine signed the Bill into law on March 27th. The Bill does several things that are deemed important to help schools get through this time. HB 197 eliminates State and Federal testing for the 2019-20 School Year and prohibits the issuance of report cards for this year. Additionally, it provides a one-year safe harbor from sanctions from the report card. The Bill freezes EdChoice voucher eligibility at the 2019-20 list of 517 buildings, which had been scheduled to expand to over 1,200 in the new academic year. That debate is left for a future time. Finally, it set the final date to vote in the March 17th Election Primary to April 28th.

Business Advisory Council - Mandy Berardinelli

February’s meeting hosted speakers and representatives from Ohio WOW and the Children’s Museum spoke at February’s Meeting regarding STEM education and partnerships with the Mahoning Valley Manufacturers Coalition, and the Mahoning County ESC discussed criteria for pre-apprenticeship requirements for the fall to meet ODE requirements.

March’s meeting was to focus on the criteria raised by the Mahoning County ESC in February. The tried to get Senators, Congressmen, and ODE’s Superintendent to the March meeting, but it was canceled due the COVID 19 crisis.

Superintendent - Aireane Curtis

Shared updates on the districts efforts regarding the closure, specifically stating that the District is focused on issues of online learning right now. She also discussed a future Prom date of June 26, 2020 if the District is able to do it then depending on what the Governor and the CDC say about gatherings at that time. There are also alternative dates for Graduation being looked at for June and July depending on what the Governor says about the phase back in as the State opens. In the event that the District cannot use its own stadium or gym in terms of how many people are permitted to be in a room at once, Streetsboro and Ravenna offered their stadium as an alternative location since they are bigger and would allow for people to spread out.

Updates are being posted weekly to Social Media and the website so that parents know what is going on, what is coming up, and also define what students should be doing and what parents should be doing during this time. There has been a lot of positive feedback regarding this.

There are a small number of kids who are still not working so the District has sent Officer Rick out on Monday to do well checks on some students. Teachers and Principals have reached out over the phone and via email with no response, and therefore Officer Rick is going to try and see if he can get information on what is going on.

Interims are being sent out this week regarding what the students have and have not done, which may be useful to parents as well. Those will go out Friday April 24th.

The District is looking right now to determine how to get students back into the buildings to return books, Chromebooks, and gather their belongings, but there is no guidance from the State at this time and as soon as the District knows what the phase back in plan will be the District can make a plan at that time.

There are two grants that the Superintendent applied for over the last week. One is specific to technology and is a Federal Grant. It is approximately $15,000.00 and can be used toward technology. The District is waiting to hear back if it will get this grant or not at this time. A second grant is for Vape detectors at the Junior and Senior High. The Grant would pay for half of this cost and the District can use the Health and Wellness money to cover the remaining cost.

Additionally, the District was able to save money by scaling Waste Management back to once a week rather than daily for trash collection.

Finally, since Treasurer candidates were previously delivered to the Board, the District wants to move forward by Friday the 24th with finalizing a list of the top candidates so that the Personnel Committee (made up of Aireane Curtis, Mandy Berardinelli, and Darryl McGuire) can begin interviews to hire a Treasurer. The question came up as to if the District can hire at this time and the Superintendent said that the Personnel Committee is small enough they can meet with Candidates in a classroom and spread-out if needed or meet via some kind of Google meet.

**#24-2020**

Elaine Grant moved and Maurina Collins seconded the motion that the Board consolidate and approve the following items 1-4:

1. Approve the minutes of the March, 17 2020Regular Board Meeting.

2. ApproveMarch 2020 financial reports. All documents are enclosed and are also

available for inspection.

3. Approve the Then and Now purchase order list as presented.

4. Approve the Student Activity Budgets as presented.

Ayes: Darryl McGuire, Elaine Grant, Ted St. John, Maurina Collins, Mandy Berardinelli

Nays:

Abstain:

XI. SUPERINTENDENT’S ITEMS:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:

**#25-2020**

Maurina Collins moved and Elaine Grant seconded the motion that the Board approve the following item:

1. Approve the retirement of Kathy Gutherie effective July 1, 2020.

Ayes: Elaine Grant, Ted St. John, Maurina Collins, Mandy Berardinelli, Darryl McGuire

Nays:

Abstain:

**#26-2020**

Maurina Collins moved and Elaine Grant seconded the motion that the Board approve the following items:

1. Approve the three (3) local graduation seals to take effect with the class of 2021

and beyond

2. Approve the resolution regarding COVID-19 to adjust the remainder of the school

year to online learning/blizzard bags to meet the required minutes.

Ayes: Ted St. John, Maurina Collins, Mandy Berardinelli, Darryl McGuire, Elaine Grant Nays:

Abstain:

Mandy Berardinelli moved and Elaine Grant seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting and all were in favor of adjourning the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

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Mandy Berardinelli, Board President Jason Norris, Interim Treasurer