

The Fairland Local Board of Education held its regular meeting on July 15, 2024.

The following members were present at roll call: Mr. Bennett, Mrs. Chapman, Mr. Hall, Mr. Sowards and Mr. Appleton.

A public hearing was held regarding the District's use of Federal grants including special education funds.

34-24 RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF AN ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY TAX LEVY

Mr. Bennett moved second by Mrs. Chapman to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION TO PROCEED WITH ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF AN
ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY TAX LEVY
(Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.03, 5705.194 - 5705.197)

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2024, the Board passed a resolution (the "Resolution of Necessity") declaring the necessity, in order to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District, to levy an additional tax (the "Emergency Levy") in excess of the ten-mill limitation to raise the amount of \$1,200,000 for each year that said levy is in effect, for 10 years, upon the entire territory of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor of Lawrence County, Ohio (the "County Auditor") has certified to the Board that, based on the School District's total taxable value of \$272,457,480, an estimated annual levy of 4.90 mills (the "Estimated Millage") for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$172 (the "Estimated Cost," rounded to the nearest dollar) for each \$100,000 of the "county auditor's appraised value" (as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01(P)), will be required to produce the annual amount set forth in the Resolution of Necessity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Fairland Local School District, Lawrence and Gallia Counties, Ohio, a majority of all of the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. The Board determines to proceed with the submission of the question of the Emergency Levy to all of the electors of the School District in order to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District, to raise the amount of \$1,200,000 for each year that said levy is in effect for 10 years, which the County Auditor has certified at the Estimated Millage for each \$1 of taxable value and at the Estimated Cost for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value.

Section 2. As authorized by Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.194 - 5705.197, the question of the Emergency Levy shall be submitted to all of the electors in the entire territory of the School District at the election to be held on November 5, 2024 (the "Election Date"). All of the territory of the School District is located in Lawrence and Gallia Counties, Ohio.

Section 3. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

Shall a levy be imposed by the Fairland Local School District to provide for the emergency requirements of the school district in the sum of \$1,200,000 and a levy of taxes to be made outside of the ten-mill limitation estimated by the county auditor to average 4.90 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$172 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for 10 years, commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025?

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| | FOR THE TAX LEVY |
| | AGAINST THE TAX LEVY |

Section 4. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed to and shall promptly certify, not later than August 7, 2024 (which date is not less than 90 days prior to the Election Date), to the Board of Elections of Lawrence County, Ohio (the "Board of Elections"), a copy of the Resolution of Necessity and a copy of this Resolution together with the certificate of the County Auditor certifying the current total taxable value of the School District and the annual levy, expressed in mills for each \$1 of taxable value as well as in dollars (rounded to the nearest dollar) for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, that is required to produce the annual amount of the Emergency Levy set forth in this Resolution throughout the life of the Emergency Levy.

Section 5. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall also certify to the Board of Elections that the Emergency Levy will be levied for 10 years and will include a levy on the tax list and duplicate for the 2024 tax year (commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025), if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

The vote was: Mrs. Chapman, yea; Mr. Appleton, no; Mr. Bennett, yea; Mr. Sowards, yea; Mr. Hall, yea.
Motion carried.

35-24 CONSENT AGENDA #1 ITEMS APPROVED

Mr. Appleton moved second by Mr. Bennett to approve the following consent agenda #1 items:

- A) Approve the following substitutes:
 - 1. Clarissa Nance - Teacher
 - 2. Jennifer Adkins - Secretary, Cook

B) Adopt the following resolution:

The Superintendent of Schools Roni Hayes recommends that the board of education adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS the student(s) attending the Tri State STEM + M School who have been determined to be residents of this school district, and eligible for transportation services; and

WHEREAS after a careful evaluation of all available options, it has been determined that it is impractical to provide transportation for these student(s) to their selected school(s); and

WHEREAS the following factors as identified in Revised Code §3327.02 have been considered:

1. The time and distance required to provide the transportation
2. The number of pupils to be transported
3. The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration
4. Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation
5. Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules
6. Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available; and

WHEREAS the option of offering payment-in-lieu of transportation is provided in Ohio Revised Code: Therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Fairland Board of Education hereby approves the declaration that it is impractical to transport the students attending the Tri State STEM + M school for the 2024-2025 school year and offers the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the students payment-in-lieu of transportation.

C) Approve the bus routes for the 2024-2025 school year as presented by the Superintendent

D) Approve the substitute lists for the 2024-2025 school year as presented by the Superintendent

E) Approve the following purchase orders:

- #99029 American Electric Power super blanket purchase order
- #99032 Bricker Graydon LLP super blanket purchase order
- #99035 META Solutions super blanket purchase order
- #99034 Hecla Water super blanket purchase order

F) Approve the following student activity budgets for 2024-2025:

1. West Principal's Fund - Abbie Pannell
2. FMS Athletic Fund - Middle School Athletic Director

- G) Approve the minutes of the June 24, 2024 regular board meeting
- H) Approve the bank reconciliation, Spending Plan Comparison, Cash Summary, and Financial Summary by Fund reports for June 2024 as presented by the Treasurer
- I) Approve the Disbursement Summary Report for June 2024 which includes a credit card expenditure report as presented by the Treasurer

The vote was: Mr. Appleton, yea; Mr. Bennett, yea; Mrs. Chapman yea; Mr. Hall, yea; Mr. Sowards, yea.
Motion carried.

36-24 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Bennett moved second by Mr. Appleton to go into executive session to consider the employment, discipline and/or dismissal of a public employee

The vote was: Mr. Appleton, yea; Mr. Bennett, yea; Mrs. Chapman yea; Mr. Hall, yea; Mr. Sowards, yea.
Motion carried.

Out 6:45 p.m. Back 8:10 p.m.

Upon roll call, Mr. Appleton, Mr. Hall, Mr. Sowards, Mrs. Chapman and Mr. Hall were present when the regular session reconvened.

37-24 CONSENT AGENDA #2 ITEMS APPROVED

Mr. Appleton moved second by Mr. Bennett to approve the following consent agenda #2 items:

- A) Hire Katie Walters as 6th grade ELA teacher at Fairland Middle School pending certification
- B) Hire Joseph C. Pemberton as Special Education teacher at Fairland Middle School pending certification
- C) Hire Holley Donahue as 8th grade girls basketball coach for the 2024-2025 school year
- D) Hire Ronald Canterbury as 7th grade girls basketball coach for the 2024-2025 school year
- E) Transfer Tiffany Hussell to Spanish Teacher at Fairland High School as per her request
- F) Hire Roberta Stevens as a 3-hour cook at Fairland High School
- G) Hire Patricia Watts as Accounts Payable Clerk
- H) Transfer Kenda Campbell to Special Education Aide at Fairland

East as per her request

- I) Approve Brooklyn McLain as an unpaid Fairland High School assistant volleyball coach
- J) Accept the resignation of Stephanie Welker as Fairland High School Assistant Volleyball Coach
- K) Hire Benjamin Black as Fairland High School Assistant Boys Track Coach and pay him for performing the duties of that position for the 2023-2024 school year
- L) Hire Alexandria Van Horn as Head Volleyball Coach at Fairland High School

The vote was: Mr. Appleton, yea; Mr. Bennett, yea; Mrs. Chapman yea; Mr. Hall, yea; Mr. Sowards, yea.
Motion carried.

TRANSFER

Roni Hayes, Superintendent, listed the following voluntary transfer:

1. Transfer Ashley Sullivan to 7th Grade Reading at Fairland Middle School as per her request

38-24 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Appleton moved second by Mr. Sowards to go into executive session to consider the employment, discipline and/or dismissal of a public employee

The vote was: Mr. Appleton, yea; Mr. Bennett, yea; Mrs. Chapman yea; Mr. Hall, yea; Mr. Sowards, yea.
Motion carried.

Out 8:15 p.m. Back 8:25 p.m.

Upon roll call, Mr. Appleton, Mr. Hall, Mr. Sowards, Mrs. Chapman and Mr. Hall were present when the regular session reconvened.

39-24 ADJOURN

Mr. Sowards moved second by Mr. Bennett to adjourn the meeting.

The vote was: Mr. Appleton, yea; Mrs. Chapman, yea; Mr. Hall, yea; Mr. Sowards, yea; Mr. Bennett, yea.
Motion carried.

PRESIDENT

TREASURER