# Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Aurora City Schools Board of Education of April 25, 2022

## Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

## **Pledge Allegiance**

All Board Members were present. Mr. Sabulsky attended virtually.

#### 22-084

#### Recognize Excellence

RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education is proud to recognize and congratulate the following students for being selected by Rotary International of Aurora as **Students of the Month**:

Aubrey KennedyHarmon SchoolLiam HernandezHarmon School

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Mehallis

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Conner, Mr. Sabulsky, Mrs. Mehallis,

Mr. Acomb, Mrs. Dolzine No: None: motion carried

# Acknowledgement of Visitors and Hearing of Public

Cal DiJulius (745 Club Drive, Aurora, Ohio) and Kyle Baker (745 Club Drive Aurora, Ohio) spoke in opposition to the proposed Ohio HB 616.

Mrs. Mehallis stated that she is aware of this new house bill and that she would be monitoring its progression through the state legislature.

# 22-085

## **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 28, 2022 were approved.

Moved by: Mrs. Conner Seconded by: Mr. Acomb

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner, Mr. Sabulsky,

Mrs. Mehallis, Mr. Acomb No: None: motion carried

## **Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent Reports**

Mr. Roberto reported to the Board on current enrollment trends, facility usage and capacities, and new residential construction in Aurora. Mr. Roberto provided historical enrollment data along with enrollment graphs and community school data. Mr. Roberto also shared the results from both a staff survey regarding possible new construction in the District along with feedback from members of the Superintendent's Advisory Council.

The District staff survey had 278 responses which is 71% of the staff. Of that group 86% of the staff thought we need to pursue construction in the next five years. 69% felt Craddock needs to be replaced;14% stated to keep all the schools and build a sixth building; 7% wanted Miller replaced and 6% suggested we consider replacing AHS. There were five common suggestions for how the building breakdown should be handled.

1. 40% - Keep building breakdown the same with New 1-2 Building

- 2. 38% Miller = PK-K, Leighton = 1-3, New Building = 4&5, Harmon = 6-8, AHS = 9-12
- 3. Build New High School, get rid of Craddock, and move everyone except Miller up.
- 4. Build a K-3 and keep others the same
- 5. Build a PK-2 facility and keep others the same.

There were also several suggestions to add additions to buildings that are not being rebuilt ex. Miller & Leighton and a need to consider building a Bus Garage. Finally, 97% of staff living in the district say they would support a levy and 49% of all staff stated they would be willing to help pass a levy by serving on a committee.

There were 15 members of the Superintendent's Advisory Council at a recent meeting including representatives from parents, certified staff, classified staff, City Council, PTO, Chamber of Commerce, Alumni Association, and various booster groups that provided feedback. All 15 agreed that the ACSD should look further into new construction. 73% of this group felt that Craddock should be the school that is replaced. In terms of what to build, discussions centered around a K-3 building or a high school building. In the end, 43% felt a K-3 building should be built which would create more room for Leighton (4-5). 20% believe a high school should be built and then move grades 1 &2 to Leighton, 3-5 to Harmon, and 6-8 to the current high school building. There was discussion and suggestion to work with the City to combine one of these buildings with a Recreation Center that included a pool. Finally, not all on the council live in Aurora, but those who do, 100% state that they would support a bond levy to build a new school. The Board gave Mr. Roberto their approval to survey parents regarding new construction in the District.

Dr. Milcetich reported high school graduation requirements, including the seal options that students now have available to them. This month's Curriculum and Instruction report provides a refresher on the Class of 2023 Graduation Options, as well as new information on Technology Seal, which is a revised option at AHS. The Ohio Department of Education had previously approved a transition plan based on testing, points, and alternative pathways to a final and supposedly "permanent" graduation plan with multiple pathways or opportunities to earn graduation.

While we are currently preparing for the Class of 2022 to have their graduation ceremony next month, we are simultaneously planning ahead for the Class of 2023 and examining the best path forward to matriculation for the current AHS Junior Class. To recap the current graduation pathways, there are now three different aspects to the Ohio graduation requirements:

- 1. Cover the Basics Earn at least 20 credits in a variety of subject areas and take the required graduation tests in Math, ELA, Science, and Social Studies.
- 2. Show Competency Earn a passing score on Ohio's Algebra I and English II tests with opportunity for retakes when necessary. If students are not able to pass these tests, they have three options, which include demonstrating two Career-Focused Activities, enlisting in the Military, or completing College Coursework.
- 3. Show Readiness Earn two of the diploma seal options that align with strengths and interests. There are nine Ohio options and three options designed by the local district. At least one of the seal options must be an Ohio option.

The high school counseling team and administration have worked closely to evaluate these available pathways and ensure students in the Class of '23 and beyond all have realistic options available to them. The most typical route will include students earning credits, passing the Algebra I and English II EOC Tests, and then earning seals in Citizenship and Science by passing the Biology, US History, and US Government EOC Tests. Alternatively, the team has explored using a combination of career related activities with those students for whom this option is the best fit. Additionally, the AHS team has refined and updated the language in the Technology Seal (an Ohio Seal) to match possible courses with the

prerequisite tech skills integrated into the class requirements, which create another possibility for our learners moving forward.

## Treasurer's Report/Recommendations

For the month of March, revenues exceeded expenditures by \$3,229,971. This increases the general fund cash balance to \$19,583,700 after the ninth month of the fiscal year. For the month of March, revenues were 7.26% less than projected while expenditures were 0.67% greater than projected.

On the revenue side, the balance of the first half 2021 real estate tax receipts totaling \$5,280,790, along with the public utility tangible personal property tax receipts for 2022 totaling \$793,660 were received from the Portage County Auditor. The real estate tax receipts were \$516,826 less than projected as last month's tax advances were \$403,169 greater than projected. The real estate tax receipts and public utility tangible personal property tax receipts from the Summit County Auditor are expected sometime in April.

All Other Operating Revenue includes \$103,760 in all day kindergarten tuition for next school year along with \$41,750 in regular education tuition from non-resident students and \$24,265 in special education tuition from non-resident students, both of which were received through the state foundation payment.

On the expenditure side, Other Objects includes \$275,505 in tax collection fees from the Portage County Auditor. All of the expenditure categories continue to be within normal variances and typical timing of payments. As was mentioned last month, the Employee Retirement/Insurance Benefit category will continue to trend below the projected amount for the remainder of the fiscal year because of the decrease in the monthly State Foundation STRS deduction.

Thus far for the fiscal year, revenues are \$239,693 less than projected and expenditures are \$559,118 less than projected. Overall, this results in a favorable variance of \$319,425 after the ninth month of the fiscal year.

The total cash balance for all funds is \$22,428,134.30 with the general fund having a cash balance of \$19,583,700.46. This overall cash balance is \$3,690,929.36 greater than that at the end of February which can be accounted for by:

- The \$3,229,971 excess of revenues over expenditures in the general fund.
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- Real Estate and Tangible Personal Property Tax receipts to the Bond Retirement Fund of \$210,222 and to the Permanent Improvement Fund of \$136,219.

## 22-086

## Approve Financial Statements and Reports

WHEREAS the financial statements and reports (including revenues, disbursements, and balances) for the funds herein specified have been presented to the members of the Board at least two days prior to the meeting:

General Fund Dated: 3/31/22
Student Activity Fund Dated: 3/31/22
Categorical Funds Dated: 3/31/22
Investments Dated: 3/31/22
Debts Dated: 3/31/22

WHEREAS the members of the Board have had an opportunity to inquire about any revenue, disbursement, balance, or report;

WHEREAS the public may review such documents in the treasurer's office and the annual financial statements and reports are part of the permanent records of this school district; and

WHEREAS disbursements are prohibited by statute from exceeding the amount appropriated by the Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED under the provisions of ORC 3313.18 and ORC 3313.47, the financial statements and reports are approved as presented insofar as the disbursements are legal expenditures within the appropriated amounts.

Moved by: Mrs. Dolzine Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mr. Acomb, Mrs. Dolzine,

Mrs. Conner, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

#### 22-087

Accept Gifts and Contributions (ORC 3313.36)

RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education accept the following donations and in so doing hereby acknowledges the positive and supportive activities of those listed:

COVIA Foundation donated \$5000.00 to Aurora High School for track

All Sports Boosters donated \$45,000.00 for Athletic Uniforms

All Sports Boosters donated \$10,00.00 for Turf Fund

All Sports Boosters donated \$4,500.00 for Auxiliary Gym Bleachers

Harmon/High PTO donated \$4500.00 for graduation fireworks

Moved by: Mrs. Conner Seconded by: Mrs. Mehallis

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Conner, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Mehallis,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

22-088

Accept Resignations

Katie Harwood Resignation effective end of 2021-22 school year

LES Interventionist/ Eight years of service to the district

Hearing Impaired

Joshua TinchResignation effective April 29, 2022CES CustodianThree years of service to the district

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

22-089

Award Supplemental (District Personnel)

**Extended Time Contract** 

Jennifer Sferra Harmon Guidance Counselor Amount: 5 days

Brian Pichola HMS Gaming Club Amount: Intramural Rate

Elaine Martin LES Math 24 Amount: Intramural Rate

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

#### 22-090

#### **Non-Renew Contract**

**RESOLVED THAT** 

the Aurora Board of Education **non-renews** the following contracts at the end of the 2021-22 school year:

Nicholas HowardSubstitute contract long-term statusMarissa MartelSubstitute contract long-term status

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

## 22-091

Take Notice of Expiration of Supplemental an Extended Time Contracts

RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education takes notice that **all supplemental and extended time contracts** awarded for the 2021-22 school year **shall expire** at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

## 22-092

Award Teachers Two-Year Limited Contracts 2022-23 and 2023-2024

RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education awards **two-year limited teaching contracts** to the following teachers, pending proper certification, having completed all training and service requirements, **effective with the 2022-2023 contract year**:

| Abell, Sarah        | 100% |
|---------------------|------|
| Boe, Justin         | 100% |
| Brezovec, Lauren    | 100% |
| Core, Jade          | 100% |
| Frye, Katie         | 100% |
| Gallagher, Neil B.  | 100% |
| Ginther, Beth       | 100% |
| Grabfelder, Lindsey | 100% |
| Iseman, Nicole      | 100% |
| Kidwell, Laurie     | 100% |
| Martin, Elizabeth   | 100% |

| Montello, Amanda     | 100% |
|----------------------|------|
| Myers, Julia         | 100% |
| Nemeth, Olivia       | 100% |
| Petti, Sandra        | 100% |
| Reilly, Shawn        | 100% |
| Reisner, Christopher | 100% |
| Rorabaugh, Kory      | 100% |
| Schaefer, Elizabeth  | 100% |
| Serafino, Katelynn   | 100% |
| Smith, Mason         | 100% |
|                      | 100% |

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

#### 22-093

# Award Teachers One-Year Limited Contracts

# RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education awards **one-year limited teaching contracts** to the following, pending proper licensing, for the **2022-23** school year:

| 100% |
|------|
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 60%  |
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 100% |
| 100% |
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Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

## 22-094

Employ Specialists for 2022-23

**RESOLVED THAT** 

the Aurora Board of Education approves the employment of the **following Specialists for the 2022-2023** school year pending proper licensing and contingent upon full and complete compliance with all State of Ohio and Aurora Board of Education employment eligibility criteria:

Chelsie LangstonEffective: August 15, 2022Literacy SpecialistAmount: \$29.70 per hour

Funds: Federal Grant / General Fund

**Kathleen A. Christian** Effective: August 15, 2022 Mathematics Specialist Amount: \$33.26 per hour

Funds: Federal Grant / General Fund

Lisa D. CuneoEffective: August 15, 2022AHS Academic ResourceAmount: \$29.70 per hour

Center (ARC) Specialist Fund: Federal Grant / General Fund

**Sherri Beresford** Effective: August 15, 2022 Mathematics Specialist Amount: \$29.70 per hour

Fund: Federal Grant / General Fund

Kelly SedlakEffective: August 15, 2022Remedial SpecialistAmount: \$29.70 per hour

Fund: Federal Grant / General Fund

**Rachel Gardner** Effective: August 15, 2022 Literacy Specialist Amount: \$29.70 per hour

Funds: Federal Grant / General Fund

Amy L. KellerEffective: August 15, 2022Literacy SpecialistAmount: \$33.26 per hour

Funds: Federal Grant / General Fund

Julie E. MorrisEffective: August 15, 2022Mathematics SpecialistAmount: \$29.70 per hour

Funds: Federal Grant / General Fund

Stephanie LancasterEffective:August 15, 2022Mathematics SpecialistAmount:\$29.70 per hour

Funds: Federal Grant / General Fund

Nicole CaminoEffective:August 15, 2022Literacy SpecialistAmount:\$29.70 per hour

Fund: Federal Grant / General Fund

**Kaitlin Catalani** Effective: August 15, 2022 Literacy Specialist Amount: \$29.70 per hour

Fund: Federal Grant / General Fund

Hannah RoscoeEffective: August 15, 2022Literacy SpecialistAmount: \$29.70 per hour

Fund: Federal Grant / General Fund

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

# 22-095

# **Award Teachers Continuing Contract Status**

## RESOLVED THAT

in accordance with O.R.C. 3319.11 and the negotiated agreement between the Aurora City Schools Board of Education and the Aurora Education Association, the following teachers

having completed all service and training requirements be granted **continuing contract status** as indicated **effective with the 2022-23 school year**:

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Oberlin, Kalee} & 100\% \\ \text{Sunderhaft, Karen} & 100\% \\ \text{Torres, Victor} & 100\% \end{array}$ 

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

#### 22-096

Approve Leave of Absence Requests

RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education approves the **leave of absence request** as follows:

Lisa GealyParental leave of absenceHMS Guidance CounselorEffective for 2022-23 school year

Carrie Gullatta Medical leave of Absence

Bus Driver Effective April 19, 2022 - May 27, 2022

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

# 22-097

Adjust Employment Percent of Licensed Staff Member

**RESOLVED THAT** 

the Aurora Board of Education adjusts the **employment percentage** of the following licensed staff member:

Lindsay Van Fossen
LES Gifted Teacher
From: 65% To: 100% FTE
Effective 2022-23 school year

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

22-098

**Employ Support Staff** 

RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education appoints the following **support staff members** as indicated for an introductory period of 100 work days contingent upon full and complete compliance with all State of Ohio and Aurora Board of Education employment eligibility criteria:

Carol DonohueEffective: April 4, 2022MES ParaeducatorAmount: Paraeducator, EL0

Fund: General

**Zyree Budin** Effective: April 12, 2022 CES Paraeducator Amount: Paraeducator, EL0

Fund: General

Alexandra Endrai Effective: April 12, 2022 CES Paraeducator Amount: Paraeducator, EL3

Fund: General

Daniel HromadaEffective: April 12, 2022Bus DriverAmount: Bus Driver, EL3

Fund: General

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

# 22-099

## Approve Introductory Appointment of Support Staff

#### RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education appoints the following **support staff members** as indicated for an introductory period of 100 work days contingent upon full and complete compliance with all State of Ohio and Aurora Board of Education employment eligibility criteria:

**Christine Wingler** Effective: June 6, 2022

Asst. Transportation Supervisor Amount: Asst. Trans. Sup, EL3

Fund: General

**Thomas Harrison** Effective: April 11, 2022 Bus Driver Amount: Bus Driver, EL1

Fund: General

Magdalena HimmelEffective: April 19, 2022Bus DriverAmount: Bus Driver, EL1

Fund: General

**Nancy Rouru**Bus Driver

Effective: April 19, 2022

Amount: Bus Driver, EL1

Fund: General

Peter ConcesEffective: April 19, 2022Bus DriverAmount: Bus Driver, EL1

Fund: General

**Gregory Best**Bus Driver

Effective: April 19, 2022

Amount: Bus Driver, EL1

Fund: General

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

## 22-100

Award Supplemental/Pupil Activity Contracts (non-District Personnel)

## RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education awards **supplemental/pupil activity contract** to non-district personnel for **2021-22** school year as follows, contingent upon full and complete compliance with all

State of Ohio and Aurora Board of Education employment eligibility criteria, and paid from the General Fund unless otherwise indicat

Andrew Knapp AHS Baseball Assistant Coach Amount: Volunteer

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

#### 22-100

Employ Licensed Substitute Teachers for the 2022-23 School Year

RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education approves the employment of licensed **substitute teachers** for the **2022-23** school year as follows, pending proper licensing and contingent upon full and complete compliance with all State of Ohio and Aurora Board of Education employment eligibility criteria:

## **Substitute Contract for 2022-23**:

Blum, Karen Kachur, Lori Robinson, Mitchell Bowers, Roger Kamen, Judy Rosengarten, Claire Brancazio, Anthony Lucal, June Scarsella, Lori Schroeder, Barbra Bugaj, Erika Marusiak, Abigail Calcei, Candice Massa, Dominic Slagle, William Cantelmi, Karen Martel, Marissa Smith, Madison Carroll, Patricia McGilbra, Carol Smith, Rosemarie Cavotta, Marie McGovern, Cheryl Spellman, Sandra Colosetti, Jean McVay, Shannon Stammegna, Sarah Mehallis, Deborah Cremer, Emily Stover, Abbey Cullen, Mary Mental. Laurie Studer, Sarah Mental, Thomas Taccone, Krysten DeAnna, Kyle Dervic, Michael Moore, Justin Thoma-Huff, Joan Dolezal, Judith New, Krista Toler, Erin Dubovec, Robert Nichols, Jennifer Vernacchio, Alyssa Olson, Claudia Ferrini, Michael Vlach, Megan Fuller, Elizabeth Ogle, Julie Wallbrown, Jane Goldston, Cameron Patrick, Thomas Walters, Steven Haun, Sharla Peterson, Chelsea Wolford, Erika Hilliard, Brad Pizzurro, Lindsay Wright, Dennis Hosier, Suzette Rankin, Elizabeth Yurman, Sarah Rausch, Valerie Howard, Nicholas Ali, Ghalib Jenkins, Michelle Retton, Sherri Deluca, Kathryn Lembo, Kristen

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

#### 22-101

Employ Licensed Substitute Teachers for the 2021-22 School Year

RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education approves the employment of licensed **substitute teachers** for the **2021-22** school year as follows, pending proper licensing and contingent upon full and

complete compliance with all State of Ohio and Aurora Board of Education employment eligibility criteria:

# **Substitute Contract for 2021-22**:

## Cremer, Emily

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

#### 22-102

# **Employ Support Staff Substitutes**

RESOLVED THAT

the Aurora Board of Education approves the employment of the following in Board approved **support staff substitute positions** (bus driver, custodian/maintenance, secretary, paraprofessional, cafeteria/courier, media clerk, health/instructional assistant) for the **2021-22** school year on an as needed as assigned basis contingent upon full and complete compliance with all State of Ohio and Aurora Board of Education employment eligibility criteria.

#### Krakowski, Emma

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

## 22-103

Endorsing Observance of Staff Appreciation Week May 1-7

WHEREAS, today's educational staff molds our future citizens through their guidance, education, support and

WHEREAS, today's staff encounter students of widely differing backgrounds and abilities, and

WHEREAS, our society expects public education to provide quality education services to all children, no matter what their backgrounds or abilities, and

WHEREAS, our country's future depends, in large measure, upon the education our youth receive today, and

WHEREAS, our teaching staff spends countless hours preparing lessons, evaluating progress, counseling, and coaching students and

WHEREAS, our support staff provides necessary services such as clerical, food service, custodial and transportation, and

WHEREAS, our school district recognizes that its staff are providing quality educational services to our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT the week of May 1-7, 2022 is Staff Appreciation Week, in this community.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED THAT the Aurora Board of Education calls on the community to join with it in personally expressing appreciation to our staff for a "job well done."

Moved by: Mrs. Conner Seconded by: Mr. Acomb

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mr. Sabulsky, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mrs. Mehallis No: None: motion carried

#### 22-104

# Accept and Approve the Graduating Class of 2022

WHEREAS the High School Principal has certified that the members of the High School graduation by the State of Ohio including passing all examinations on or before the date set for graduation; and

WHEREAS the High School Principal has certified that the members of the graduating class have or will have completed all requirements set forth for high school graduation by the Board of Education on or before the date set for graduation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that students who continue to meet all requirements for graduation as set forth by the State of Ohio and Board of Education shall be so graduated;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that under the provisions of ORC 3313.61, the Board President, Treasurer, Superintendent and High School Principal shall sign the diplomas;

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to pay for the diplomas out of the general fund.

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Conner

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mr. Acomb, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

# 22-105

Adopt Amended and Restated Agreement of the Portage Area Schools Consortium

As attached

Moved by: Mrs. Dolzine Seconded by: Mrs. Mehallis

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mr. Acomb, Mrs. Dolzine, Mrs. Conner,

Mrs. Mehallis, Mr. Sabulsky No: None: motion carried

## 22-106

## Approve the Voucher Joinder Resolution

**WHEREAS**, EdChoice Vouchers are funded by the State from designated appropriation lineitems 200-550, 200-604, 200-612 and payment to private schools diminishes the amount of funding and levels of educational opportunities in districts; and

**WHEREAS,** the deduction of school voucher funds from the School District further reduces the funding available to support the additional needs of district minority pupils, pupils in poverty and pupils with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the deduction of school voucher funds from the appropriations that fund School Districts increases reliance on local tax revenue to maintain school operations in violation of the Ohio Constitution and clear directives of the Ohio Supreme Court.

**Section 1.** Now, Therefore, The Board of Education finds and determines that the deduction of school voucher funds from School Districts is harmful to the district, its pupils, taxpayers, voters and staff.

**Section 2.** The Board of Education authorizes and directs the School District's joinder of the Ohio Coalition for Equity and Adequacy of School Funding (Coalition) and directs the District Treasurer to pay Coalition dues as set forth in Section 3.

**Section 3.** Coalition dues for the 2022-2023 school year are the sum of \$2.00 per district pupil (enrollment listed on most recent report card). Dues shall be allocated by the Coalition as follows: 1) \$.50 per pupil shall be initially allocated to the payment of Coalition operating expenses, and, 2) \$1.50 per pupil shall be allocated to the support of the Coalition's efforts in opposition to the deduction of school voucher funds from this, and other school districts. Coalition Dues (a total of \$2 per pupil) are payable upon passage of this resolution.

Moved by: Mr. Acomb Seconded by: Mrs. Mehallis

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mrs. Conner, Mr. Sabulsky, Mrs. Mehallis,

Mr. Acomb, Mrs. Dolzine No: None: motion carried

**Discussion Items – none** 

**Board Items - none** 

22-107

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Moved by: Mrs. Conner Seconded by: Mr. Acomb

Yes: Mrs. Conner, Mrs. Mehallis, Mrs. Dolzine,

Mr. Sabulsky, Mr. Acomb No: None: motion carried

| <b>Board President</b> | Treasurer |
|------------------------|-----------|