

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**Minutes of Newton Falls Exempted Village Regular Meeting**  
**Held July 20, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. – Jr./Sr. High School Board Room**

President Debra Davis called the regular meeting of the Newton Falls Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Mr. Baker, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Koontz  
Mr. Powell was absent.

**Hearing of Individuals**

None

**Committees and/or Delegations – Related to the Agenda, Education, and Committee Report**

Student Achievement – Mrs. Debra Davis and Mr. Kenneth Kline

None

Legislative Liaison – Mrs. Debra Davis

None

Finance Committee - Mr. Brent Powell and Mr. Kenneth Kline

Mrs. Meeks highlighted the new budget bill for the Board.

Athletic Council – Mr. Kenneth Kline and Mr. Brent Powell

Mr. Kline asked about the Board's expectations for serving on athletic council. The Board responded that he should attend the meetings once or twice a year and report back to the Board.

Trumbull County Career & Technical Center - Mrs. Debra Davis

Treasurer Gary Ghizzoni retired after seventeen years. Good luck to Mr. Ghizzoni. Assistant Treasurer Cody Holecko was hired to replace him.

**Minutes**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion:

**#137-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approve the minutes from the regular meeting on June 28, 2017, as presented.

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**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Treasurer's Report and Recommendations**

**Cash Balances**

001 = \$	581,141
016 = \$	275,054
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\$	856,195

**State Funding**

We've lost approximately \$393,304 in state funding this school year due to enrollment fluctuations. Refer to handout.

**Debt**

Review electricity debt.

**Budget**

Distribute budget spreadsheet.

**Financial Report**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion:

**#138-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approve the financial reports for the month of June 2017, and the short term investments made by the Treasurer which yielded \$ 1,266.48 for general fund, \$ 50.10 for the Gene Zorn Scholarship Fund, and \$ 2.33 for the cafeteria fund.

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Tuition Reimbursement**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion:

**#139-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approve the tuition reimbursement according to the negotiated agreement as follows:

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NAME/ UNIVERSITY	COURSE TAKEN	SEMESTER HOURS	\$AMOUNT
Amanda Clark Concordia University of Chicago	Fiscal & Social Respect in Higher Education/Qualitative Research	6	\$2,085.00
Leah Garito Youngstown State University	Universal Design for Learning	1	\$ 92.82
<b>Total</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>\$ 2,177.82</b>

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Capital Conference**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#140-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education send Debra Davis as delegate to the Capital Conference, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Paul Woodard, Brenda Koontz, and/or Dawn Meeks be authorized to attend this conference with all expenses paid by the District.

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Invoice**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#141-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approve the following invoice for payment:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
City of Newton Falls	Electric/Water-Sewer	\$ 34,245.99

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
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**Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations**

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**Reports**

The paving project was finished up tonight with fixing the spots left of the semi. We now have ten handicapped spaces in the back. Some chips still need to be hauled away, but we are keeping some of it for fill. This is a five year project to redo our entire lot.

The fields are lined for the seven on seven event this Saturday. It looks like we will have thunderstorms all day. Hopefully it will work out.

Our new bus is here. Youngstown Radio completed the tower project for clear communications. Five buses didn't pass inspection. Three buses had king pin issues. The inspectors did tell the mechanics that we have two buses that need to come off the road. We will have to buy buses next year and the year after now.

**Personnel**

**Certificated**

**Resignation – Rachel Cavucci**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#142-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approve the resignation of Rachel Cavucci, middle school/junior high math teacher, effective August 15, 2017

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Transfer - Roland Purnell**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#143-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approve the transfer of Roland Purnell to high school assistant principal for the 2017-2018 school year.

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**Employment - Thomas Sullivan**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#144-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education employ Thomas Sullivan as elementary and middle school principal for the 2017-2018 school year.

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Employment - Katie Kuzas**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#145-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education employ Katie Kuzas as a full time guidance counselor for the 2017-2018 school year.

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Supplemental - Mark Baker**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#146-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education employ Mark Baker as the assistant volleyball coach for the 2017-2018 school year.

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Items Too Late For the Agenda**

**Supplemental Resignation - Heather Criazzo**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#147-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approve the resignation of Heather Criazzo as marching band director extended 20 days, effective immediately.

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Mr. Baker thanked Mrs. Criazzo for her service.

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Employment - Supplemental**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#148-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education employ Mark Semrau as marching band director 20 days extended for the 2017/2018 school year effective immediately.

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Employment - Rhenea Shablesky - Bus Driver**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#149-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education employ Rhenea Shablesky as a bus driver for the 2017/2018 school year, effective August 16th, 2017.

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Use of School Facilities**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#150-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approve the use of school facilities consistent with adopted policies and procedures for the following:

Newton Falls Youth Athletics  
Jared Clonch, President

Football Games  
8/27; 9/3; 9/17 and 10/22  
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Arlington Field - practice  
High School Field - games

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

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**Disposal of Obsolete Equipment**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#151-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education authorizes permission to dispose of equipment and materials no longer needed for school purposes and less than \$10,000.00 in compliance with Section 3313.41 of the ORC as presented:

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Tuition Reimbursement**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the following motion: **#152-2017**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approve the tuition reimbursement for Leah Marsh as follows:

Leah March Walden University	A Systems Perspective; Data-Driven Instruction; and Research Forum	15 quarter hours	\$ 2,625.00
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**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**Old Business**

Mrs. Davis asked Mrs. Meeks if she planned to go over the exit surveys with the secretaries when they return. Mrs. Meeks replied that yes she planned to do that.

Mr. Kline asked for an update on the new sign. Mr. Woodard said that everything is on schedule for it to be installed in August as planned. Mrs. Koontz asked what we would do with the old sign. Mr. Woodard replied that we would probably scrap it.

**New Business**

None

**Communications**

None

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**Executive Session**

**#153-2017**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Baker seconded the motion to enter into executive session at 6:40 p.m. with no action to follow.

WHEREAS, as a public board of education may hold an executive session only after a majority of the quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:

- A. To consider **one or more, as applicable**, of the check marked items with respect to a public employee or official:
  - 1.  Appointment
  - 2.  Employment
  - 3.  Dismissal
  - 4.  Discipline
  - 5.  Promotion
  - 6.  Demotion
  - 7.  Compensation
  - 8.  Investigation of charges/complaints (unless public hearing requested)
  
- B. To consider the purchase of property for the public purposed or for the sale of property at competitive bidding.
  
- C. Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.
  
- D. Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.**
  
- E. Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes.**
  
- F. Specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing or avoid prosecution for a violation of the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Newton Falls Exempted Village Schools District Board of Education, by a majority of the quorum present at this meeting, does hereby declare its intention to hold an executive session on items **A2, A4, D, and E** as listed above.



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**MOTION CARRIED**

The Board came out of executive session at 7:14 p.m.

**Adjournment**

**#154-2017**

Mr. Baker moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. and Mrs. Koontz seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:** Ayes: Mr. Baker, Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Kline, Mrs. Davis  
**MOTION CARRIED**

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Treasurer

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President