



**READING BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD SESSION
November 17, 2021**

The Board of Education of the Reading Community City School District met in Regular Session at Reading Community City School, 810 East Columbia Ave at 5:30 p.m. and streamed via RCCSD YouTube channel.

The meeting was called to order by the President Beth Wernery at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Absent. None.

In Attendance:

Mr. Jason Enix; Ms. Colette Lewis; Ms. Candy Colangelo; Mr. Shane Ferguson; Ms. Susan Fraley; Ms. Stephanie Glad.

Motion 270-21 Approve Agenda

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Alycia Bemmes to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Presentations

Character Awards and Athletic Department Recognition

Recess for refreshments for honored guests returned to session at 5:54 p.m.

Student Services Quarterly Update – Ms. Candy Colangelo gave an overview of the Blue Devil Bakery.

RES School Spotlight – Ms. Susan Fraley provided an overview of Second Step program that is implemented in the Elementary.

Public Participation

Mr. Jim Perdue thanked the staff for the Veterans Day celebration that occurred on November 11, 2021.

Ms. Beth Wernery discussed the appreciation of being able to participate in the OSBA Capital Conference. Mr. Jim Perdue also provided an update of a session he attended called Transitioning Treasurer and learned that there is a form that needs to be completed when a Treasurer transitions out/in to the District.

Board Committee Updates

Building & Grounds –

Hilltop Athletic Complex

- Substantial completion finalized.
- Keys were provided to the district.
- Proposed maintenance plan received and obtaining a second quote
- Irrigation system winterized.

Central Property – No Updates

PK-12 Campus

- Project closeout meeting 11/17/21
- Coordination closeout documents with Shook-Touchstone, OFCC and VSWC
- Anticipate those documents entering the final phase for signing/agreement in the coming weeks.



Finance – The Committee met on 11/17/2021 to discuss the financial planning and future needs of the district. Additional conversation will occur at the next work session.

Policy – No Updates.

Board Discussion Items

Review of Calendar Revision Proposal – Mr. Jason Enix provided an overview of the proposed changes to the school calendar.

SB 1 – Substitute Qualifications – Mr. Jason Enix provided an update on Senate Bill 1. This new bill provides flexibility on hiring substitute for teachers.

RJSH Gaming Club – Mr. Kevin Little has proposed a new Gaming Club for RJSH. Mr. Kevin Little will be a volunteer and supervise the club.

District Report
COVID-19

1N5 Survey

Motion 271-21 – Approve Board Minutes

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Alycia Bemmes to approve minutes from the following Board Meetings 10/20/21, 10/29/21, and 11/03/2021.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 272-21 Financial Reports/Bank Reconciliations/Investments

It was moved by Alycia Bemmes, seconded by Crystal Menner to approve the Financial Reports/Bank Reconciliations/Investments for October 2021.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 273-21 Approve Donations

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Crystal Menner to approve the following donations

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| RMS PTO | 7 th /8 th Grade Blue Devil Depot | \$1,000.00 |
| Quality Sports | Athletic Department | \$ 250.00 |

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.



Motion 274-21 Approve Amended Certificate and Appropriation Resolution

It was moved by Amy Thamann, seconded by Jim Perdue to approve the first amended certificate and appropriation resolution.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 275-21 Adopt Resolution Requesting Tax Advances

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Crystal Menner to adopt a resolution requesting County Auditor to make Advance Payments of Taxes Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 321.34.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code allows a taxing authority to request payment from the County Auditor funds derived from taxes or other sources to the County Treasurer, which may be held on account of a local subdivision;

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Reading Board of Education:

Section 1. That the Auditor and the Treasurer of Hamilton County in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 321.34, be requested to draw and pay to the Reading Community City School District upon the written request of Colette Lewis, Treasurer, to the County Auditor, funds due in any settlement of 2022 derived from taxes or other sources, payable to the County Treasurer to the account of the Reading Community City Schools, and lawfully applicable for purposes of the 2021 and 2022 fiscal year.

Section 2. That the Treasurer of the Reading Community City Schools shall forward to the County Auditor a certified copy of this Resolution.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 276-21 Approve Modified Tax Budget

It was moved by Alycia Bemmes, seconded by Jim Perdue to adopt a resolution requesting authority from the Hamilton County Budget Commission to file a modified tax budget for the 2022-23 Fiscal Year.

WHEREAS, Section 5705.28 of the Ohio Revised Code requires a board of education to adopt an annual tax budget on or before January 15th for the next succeeding fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Section 5705.281 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes the county budget commission to waive the requirement that a school district adopt a tax budget as provided under Section 5705.28 of the Ohio Revised Code, and instead authorize the board of education to provide such information to the county budget commission as may be required by the commission to perform its duties under Chapter 5705 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Auditor has informed the Board of Education of the Reading Community City School District (the "Board of Education") that it is required to pass a Resolution authorizing the Treasurer of the Board of Education to make a request to waive the requirement of the adoption of a tax budget, and instead request to file a modified tax budget in accordance with Section 5705.281 of the Ohio Revised Code; and



WHEREAS, the Board of Education has utilized a modified tax budget in prior years and believes that its continued use is advantageous since it provides additional information on the long-term financial plan of the District and utilizes a format that has become familiar to the Board of Education and its community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Reading Community City School District Board of Education as follows:

SECTION I

The Treasurer of the Board of Education is hereby authorized and directed to request the ability to file a modified tax budget for the 2022/2023 fiscal year. The Treasurer shall make said request by sending a letter addressed to the Hamilton County Budget Commission and including a copy of this Resolution with his letter.

SECTION II

The Treasurer of the Board of Education is hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to ensure the Board of Education may utilize the modified tax budget for the 2022/2023 fiscal year.

SECTION III

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning or related to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were adopted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable requirements of the Ohio Revised Code.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 277-21 Rescind Staff Supplemental Contract 2021-2022

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Amy Thamann to rescind Amber Stinson's supplemental contract for Academic Challenge (50%).

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 278-21 Approve Staff Supplemental 2021-2022

It was moved by Alycia Bemmes, seconded by Amy Thamann to approve the following staff supplemental for the 2021-22 school year.

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| Haley Kocisko | National Honor Society |
| James Singleton | Athletic Coordinator Winter |
| Meghan Overbeck | Sports Coordinator Basketball & National Junior Honor Society |

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.



Motion 279-21 Approve Staff Supplemental

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Amy Thamann to approve Brian Bemmes as the Wrestling Middle School coach.

Roll Call: Ayes, Four. Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Abstain, One. Alycia Bemmes.
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 280-21 Approve Non-Staff Supplemental Contracts 2021-22

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Amy Thamann to approve the following non-staff supplemental contracts

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| Tim Kelly | Wrestling, JV Head Coach |
| Jeremy Pletz, Jr. | Wrestling, Middle School |

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 281-21 Approve Volunteer

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Amy Thamann to approve Ray Noble as the Swimming/Diving Volunteer for the 2021-22 school year.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 282-21 Approve Revision 2021-22 Academic Calendar

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Alycia Bemmes to approve the revision of the 2021-22 Academic Calendar.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 283-21 Retain Central Property -1301 Bonnell Ave

It was moved by Crystal Menner, seconded by Alycia Bemmes to approve the Board of Education to retain the Central location (1301 Bonnell Avenue) as district property.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.



Motion 284-21 Approve Gaming Club Pilot

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Crystal Menner to approve the Gaming Club Pilot, sponsored/volunteer by Kevin Little, for Jr./Sr. High Students.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 285-21 Approve Title IV Transportation FY 2021-2022

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Crystal Menner to adopt the resolution deeming Type IV transportation of certain students impractical and that payment in lieu of is provided to the below list:

WHEREAS, resident students in grades Kindergarten through Eight, who reside two miles or more from their non-public school of attendance, outside the Reading School District are declared by Section 3327.01 of the Ohio Revised Code and State Board of Education Standard EDb 9-17002(d) to be eligible for transportation; and

WHEREAS, an examination of existing bus routes, time schedules, student residence location, school location, and available school conveyances has been conducted; and

WHEREAS, such examination has revealed that the transportation of certain students is impractical to the District; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that transportation by school conveyance is hereby declared impractical for the following students:

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| Ryan & Alexander Whitson | Additional services unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedule |
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Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 286-21 Approve Organizational Meeting

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Crystal Menner to establish January 5, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. as the January Organizational Meeting. The Budget Hearing will be held prior to the Organizational meeting at 5:00 p.m. in the Media Center at 810 E. Columbia Avenue, Reading, Ohio 45215.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 287-21 Appoint Temporary Chairperson

It was moved by Beth Wernery, seconded by Alycia Bemmes to appoint Jim Perdue as the temporary chairperson for the January Organizational Meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.



Motion 288-21 Executive Session

It was moved by Alycia Bemmes, seconded by Crystal Menner to approve entering executive session ORC 121-22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Time In: 6:59 p.m.
Colette Lewis excused at
Time Out: 8:54 p.m.

Motion 289-21 Approve Special Board Meeting

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Crystal Menner to approve December 7, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. as Special Board of Education meetings for the purpose of interviewing Treasurer candidates in the Media Center at 810 East Columbia Ave.

Roll Call: Ayes, Five. Alycia Bemmes, Crystal Menner, Jim Perdue, Amy Thamann, Beth Wernery
Nays. None.
The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 290-21 Adjournment

It was moved by Jim Perdue, seconded by Crystal Menner to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. as there's no further business to come before the Board at this time.

President, Reading Board of Education

Attest: Treasurer, Board of Education