

**LIBERTY PREPARATORY SCHOOL**  
Governing Board  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
December 14, 2017  
3:30 PM  
Smithville United Methodist Church  
243 N. Milton St.  
Smithville, OH 44677

**ROLL CALL**

Having due notice the following board members were present: Misty Hanson, Matt Brown, Helen Bartashus, Justin Chenevey, and Cameron Maneese. Also in attendance were Maria Markakis, Day Ketterer, Dr. Deb Williams, Tri-County ESC, Brian Hessey, and Sandy Hadsell from Liberty Prep.

President Misty Hanson called the meeting to order.

Maria Markakis from Day Ketterer discussed options with the board for sponsorship for next year. St. Aloysius did not accept us for sponsorship. Maria will try to find out more information about how they scored us. Mid-Ohio has applied to ODE for more sponsorship spots and to extend their area into Wayne County, but it is unlikely that that would take place until after the July 1 deadline. Maria will reach out to Buckeye Community Hope Foundation, Ohio Council for Community Schools, and the ESC of Lake Erie West to see if there is any interest in sponsorship. She has also contacted Tri-County ESC to see if they would voluntarily give up their sponsorship charter, and ask that it be revoked by ODE. That would open the door to allow ODE to sponsor until a suitable sponsor could be obtained. As a last resort, Liberty could possibly merge with another Community School if the school and the sponsor agreed to terms.

**Treasurers Business:**

**2017- 59 Brown moved and Maneese seconded the motion to approve the Treasurers Business Items:**

1. To approve the Minutes of the November 16, 2017 Regular Meeting.
2. To approve the November 2017 Financial Reports as Presented.
3. To approve the shared services agreement with Norwayne Local School District to provide services of Assistant to Treasurer.

**Vote: Yes: Maneese, Chenevey, Brown, Bartashus, Hanson.**

**Director's Report:**

Current Enrollment is 62 students. Brian has been in discussion with Elena Sanders and Jack Pierson from ODE to get clarification on tracking student hours, and how that affects funding. Suggestions are that we shorten the required calendar to a max of 920 hours which is the state minimum. Brian will have a modified calendar to present at the January board meeting.

Cameron and Brian are finalizing plans the Wayne Center for the Arts for a fine arts program utilizing Title IV funding. Brian is seeking a transportation solution to move students to and from the facility.

**Director's Business Items:** none at this time

**Board Business:**

**2017-60 Maneese moved and Bartashus seconded the motion to approve the board business items:**

Approve and adopt the following board policies as provided by Day Ketterer:

Policy 2230, 2240, 2240.1, 2240.2, 2240.3, 2240.4, 2241 – Student use of inhalers and Epinephrine Auto-injectors

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Policy 5444 – Human Trafficking

**Vote: Yes: Maneese, Brown, Hanson, Chenevey, Bartashus.**

**Sponsor's Report: Dr. Deb Williams:**

Deb reported that sponsor ratings were released November 15. Tri-County received an Effective rating.

The 2017-18 Evaluation Checklist will be released soon.

Enrollment and student data are due to the ESC by the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month.

**Next Meeting Date: January 11, 2018 at 3:30 PM, 2018 Organizational Meeting followed by the regular January meeting. Misty Hanson will serve as president Pro-Tem for the Organizational Meeting.**

**Motion to Adjourn:**

**2017-61 Brown moved and Bartashus seconded the motion to adjourn.**

**Vote: Yes: Brown, Maneese, Hanson, Chenevey, Bartashus.**

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**Board President**

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**Treasurer**