## JANUARY 12, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District on the Twelfth day of January 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:35 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Mark Chronister, Alison Jackson, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Chase Askounes.

#### 21-001 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from November 10, 2020. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included Thomas Cunningham, Lori Wood (via Zoom), Morning Journal reporter, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover November and December 2020 expense.

#### 21-002 NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2020 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the November and December 2020 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report (FINSUMM), Check Register (CHKREG), Cash Flow Statement, Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts, FY20 Final Permanent Appropriations, and FY21 Initial Permanent Appropriations. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

- Fall/Winter survey progress
- Ethics training for all board members and administrators

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#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Total Enrollment = 74 with 24 seniors, 13 special education students, and 34 students at New Castle School of Trades.
- 80 School Days to date with an average attendance of 75.22.
- Amatrol equipment is up and running. Tripods and 1TB Ipads ordered for the Amatrol classroom.
- Plan to apply for 2 Remote X grants, 21<sup>st</sup> Century grant and Equity grant this year.
- 40 laptops were delivered to students.
- Wednesday meal deliveries to students of need.

#### 21-003 ELECTION OF 2021 PRESIDENT

Mr. Chronister nominated Mr. Blissenbach as 2021 Board President. There were no other nominations. It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the Mr. Blissenbach as 2021 Board President. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-004 ELECTION OF 2021 VICE-PRESIDENT

Mr. Blissenbach nominated Mr. Chronister as 2021 Board Vice-President. There were no other nominations. It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the Mr. Chronister as 2021 Board Vice-President. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes, Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-005 APPROPRIATION ADDITIONS

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the appropriation addition of \$600.00 for the JCESC Best Practice Grant (#019-9021) for fiscal year 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-006 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to adjourn the meeting at 4:57 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

## FEBRUARY 9, 2021 - REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District on the Ninth day of February 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Mark Chronister, Chase Askounes, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mrs. Alison Jackson.

#### 21-007 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr Blissenbach to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from January 12, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Lori Wood (via Zoom), Gabe Blissenbach, Morning Journal reporter, Greg Sabbato, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover January 2021 expense.

#### 21-008 JANUARY 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the January 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report (FINSUMM), Check Register (CHKREG), Cash Flow Statement, Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts, FY20 Final Permanent Appropriations, and FY21 Initial Permanent Appropriations. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

- FTE Review is coming up
- Update on student transportation using shuttles
- CTE Renewal application

#### FEBRUARY 9, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Total Enrollment = 81 with 27 seniors.
- Residency Verification there were no new residency & verification was completed during the food distribution.
- Suspension/Expulsion there were none.
- Amatrol equipment is up and running with a week-long training.
- CTE 26 Renewal is in process
- Administration and Mr. Chronister visited Lincoln Welding School to view the Virtual Welding.
- Safety plan will need to be reviewed.
- Update on the Remote X grant.

# 21-009 APPROVAL OF A PARTNERSHIP WITH LINCOLN WELDING AND THE PURCHASE OF A VIRTUAL WELDER

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the partnership with Lincoln Welding and the authorization to purchase a virtual welder. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes Mr. Pitts. Motion approved.

# 21-010 TRANSFER OF RECORDS FROM WARREN COUNTY ESC AND JEFFERSON COUNTY ESC TO UTICA SHALE

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the transfer of records from Warren County ESC's treasurer and Jefferson County ESC's treasurer to the Utica Shale Academy's treasurer. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes, Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-011 EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to enter into executive session for personnel matters. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved at 4:58 PM.

#### 21-012 RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to return from executive session. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved at 5:21 PM.

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## 21-013 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to adjourn the meeting at 5:22 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### MARCH 9, 2021 - REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District on the Ninth day of March 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Mark Chronister (via Zoom), Mrs. Alison Jackson, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Chase Askounes.

#### 21-014 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from February 9, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Lori Wood (via Zoom), Southern Local Superintendent Thomas Cunningham, Southern Local Treasurer Greg Sabbato, Southern Local HS Principal Jay Kiger, Southern Local HS Assistant Principal Adam Loudin, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover February 2021 expense.

#### 21-015 FEBRUARY 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the February 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report (FINSUMM), Check Register (CHKREG), Cash Flow Statement, Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts, FY20 Final Permanent Appropriations, and FY21 Initial Permanent Appropriations. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

- Extended Learning Plans
- Tornado Drills
- American History exams are optional through school year 2023/24.

#### MARCH 9, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Total Enrollment = 85 with 27 seniors.
- Residency Verification there were no new residency & verification was completed during the food distribution.
- Suspension/Expulsion there were none.
- Virtual Welding classes are up and running.
- Applied for the Remote X grant.
- Still planning on applying for the 21st Century Grant and Equity Grants this year.
- Mr. Kiger is leading the renewal of our CTE-26.
- Added the career pathway of health for possible STNA or Medical Coding programs is the future.
- Need for two more instructors, and a recreation and wellness advisor.

#### 21-016 2021/22 SCHOOL CALENDAR

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the school calendar for the 2021/22 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion carried.

#### 21-017 SENIOR INTERVENTION SPECIALIST

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the recommendation to hire a senior intervention specialist for the 2021/22 school year. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-018 NIMS MAINTENANCE/FFA MECHANICAL INSTRUCTOR

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the recommendation to hire an NIMS Maintenance/FFA Mechanical Instructor for the 2021/22 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

#### 20-019 UTICA SHALE GRADUATION DATE

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the Shale graduation date for June 1, 2021 at 5:00 PM, at the football stadium. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

#### 20-020 STUDENT WELLNESS AND SUCCESS PLAN FOR 2021/22

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the student wellness and success plan for 2021/22 school year. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

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#### 20-021 BOARD COMPENSATION

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the board compensation (Exh. 20-019). Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

**NOTE**: Board President Mr. Blissenbach had contacted Attorney Doug Bloom with superintendent to review the Assumption Agreement with Southern Local Schools.

#### 20-022 CHANGE THE APRIL 2021 BOARD MEETING DATE

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to move the April 2021 meeting date from April 13, 2021 to April 6, 2021 at 4:30 PM. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-023 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to adjourn the meeting at 5:19 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### APRIL 6, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District on the Sixth day of April 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Chase Askounes, Mr. Mark Chronister (via phone), Mrs. Alison Jackson, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: None.

#### 21-024 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from March 9, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Lori Wood, The Review reporter, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover March 2021 expense.

#### 21-025 MARCH 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr. Askounes to approve the March 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report (FINSUMM), Check Register (CHKREG), Cash Flow Statement, Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts, FY21 Final Permanent Appropriations, and FY21 Initial Permanent Appropriations. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

- Received a tour of the new building and current classrooms.
- Spoke about the upcoming Transportation Survey
- The Sponsorship Contract is completed.

## APRIL 6, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Total Enrollment = 81 with 33 seniors.
- Residency Verification there were no new residency & verification was completed during the food distribution.
- Suspension/Expulsion there were none.
- Students are progressing in the Virtual Welding classes, its showing results in real world applications as well.
- MAPS testing is completed, above the 75% threshold.
- The Academy is preparing for the FTE Audit with Chris Perin.
- Preparing to write FAFSA grant to assist students entering higher education for FY22.
- Preparing to write EQUITY grant for virtual welding equipment.

#### 21-026 AMENDMENT TO STAFFING AGREEMENT

Underwood, Carson

Wood, Dakota

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Askounes to approve the amendment to the staffing agreement for the federal grant writing as presented. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-027 GRADUATION LIST

It was moved by Mr. Askounes and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the list of graduating seniors for school year 2021 as presented.

Wise, Quenton

Congrove, Hunter	Custer Jr., Brian		
Daugherty, Bailee	Decapio, Matthew		
Everhart, Ian	Fortunato, Joshua		
Gomez, Christian	Graham, Sarah		
Hebron, Jordan	Heck, Naython		
Heines, Daniel	Hilditch, Dakotah		
Keyes, Chelsea	Lewis, Breeze		
Long, Nickolas	Lowe, Samuel		
Loy, Raegan	Mays, Matthew		
Mcfadden, Eriq	Moore, Brandon		
Nardini, Nathan	Powell, Skyler		
Quigg, Gavin	Rydarowicz, Brennan		
Savage, Garrett	Simmons, Trinity		
Swinehart, Abbigail	Tanley, Dezarae		
Taylor, Joshua	Tindell, Harlee		

Roll Call: Mr. Askounes, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

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#### 21-028 STUDENT WELLNESS PROGRAM FOR UTICA SHALE ACADEMY SENIORS

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the Student Wellness Program for Utica Shale Academy seniors to assist in graduation. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-029 APPROPRIATION ADDITIONS

It was moved by Mr. Askounes and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the following appropriation additions for Fiscal Year 2021:

General Fund 191,011.83 TOTAL 191,011.83

Roll Call: Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-030 OHIO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS CONTRACT

It was moved by Mr. Askounes and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the Ohio Community School Contract with Ohio Department of Education. Roll Call: Mr. Askounes, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-031 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Askounes to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

### MAY 11, 2021 - REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District on the Eleventh day of May 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Mark Chronister (via phone), and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Chase Askounes and Mrs. Alison Jackson.

#### 21-024 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from April 6, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Lori Wood (via Zoom), The Review reporter, Southern Local Superintendent Thomas Cunningham, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover April 2021 expense.

#### 21-032 APRIL 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the April 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report (FINSUMM), Check Register (CHKREG), Cash Flow Statement, Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts, FY21 Final Permanent Appropriations, and FY21 Initial Permanent Appropriations. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes. Motion approved.

- Academic Program Review.
- Copy of Graduation List identified.
- Approval of the Five-Year Forecast.

### MAY 11, 2021 - REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Total Enrollment = 86 with 38 seniors.
- Residency Verification there were no new residency & verification was completed during the food distribution.
- Suspension/Expulsion there were none.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant almost completed.
- Amatrol Robot is not properly working. Meeting with Amatrol sales representative on Friday.
- Mr. Shansky is handling graduation ceremonies on June 1 from 5-7 PM.
- Final bids are being received for welding lab next year. Grant should be completed.

#### 21-033 HEALTH AND SAFETY RESOLUTION

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS Utica Shale Academy is a community school in the state of Ohio;

AND WHEREAS the governing authority understands the importance of policy review;

# BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE UTICA SHALE ACADEMY HAS REVIEWED THE HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICIES LISTED BELOW FOR THE 20-21 SCHOOL YEAR.

- 1. Allergy/Peanut allergy policy
- 2. Anti-bullying and Harassment Policy
- 3. Asbestos Management Policy
- 4. Asthma Inhaler Authorization Policy (if applicable)
- 5. Automated External Defibrillator Policy (if applicable)
- 6. Bloodborne Pathogens Control Policy
- 7. Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policy
- 8. Control of Communicable and/or Infections Diseases / Chicken Pox Epidemic Policy / Pandemic Policy
- 9. Corporal Punishment Policy
- 10. Dangerous and Recalled Products Policy
- 11. Emergency Preparedness, Lockdown and Evacuation Policy
- 12. Emergency Drills Policy or Procedures
- 13. Emergency Management Policy/Plan
- 14. Emergency Removal, suspension or expulsion Policy
- 15. Epinephrine Autoinjector Authorization Policy (if applicable)
- 16. Field Trips Policy
- 17. Food and Beverage &/or Breakfast & Lunch Policies
- 18. Handwashing Policy
- 19. Head Lice Policy
- 20. Medication Administration Policy

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### 21-033 HEALTH AND SAFETY RESOLUTION (Continued):

- 21. Missing Children Policy
- 22. Prohibited Weapons Policy
- 23. Protective Eyewear Policy
- 24. Radon Protocol Policy
- 25. Safety Drills and Procedures Policy / Emergency Procedures Policy
- 26. Search and Seizure Policy
- 27. Suspension and Expulsion Policy
- 28. Transportation Policies
- 29. Truancy Policy
- 30. Wellness policy

Roll Call: Mr. Chronister; Mr. Pitts, yes; Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-034 FY21 FIVE-YEAR FORECAST - MAY UPDATE

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the FY21 Five-Year Forecast – May Update as presented by the Treasurer. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-035 LIST OF GRADUATES

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the additions to the list of graduates for the 2020/21 school year:

Reagan Buzzard Jordan Custer Jacob Richards Keith Scott Andrew Ward Nathan Wells

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-036 TITLE IX RESOLUTION

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the following resolution:

#### TITLE IX RESOLUTION

Statement on Sexual Harassment and Discrimination on the Basis of Sex in Violation of Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972

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#### 21-036 TITLE IX RESOLUTION (Continued):

Utica Shale Academy prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in its education programs or activities and is required by Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972, found at 20 U.S.C. 1681, not to discriminate in such a manner. Sexual harassment constitutes discrimination on the basis of sex.

The Board of Education has established a grievance procedure for complaints alleging discrimination, including discrimination on the basis of sex. The U.S. Department of Education published federal regulations on May 6, 2020 that require the District to update multiple policies and handbooks and to train certain personnel on the updated policies.

This statement is being issued to document the District's good faith effort at compliance with the new regulatory requirements in spite of the monumental operational and logistical burdens caused by the COVID-19 global health emergency. This statement also serves to provide members of the school community with information about how the District remains committed to cultivating a school community free from discrimination on the basis of sex.

The current non-discrimination policies and any other policies related to the new regulatory requirements are under review for the purpose of incorporating the new regulatory requirements. The District's policymaking process is compliant with Ohio Law. In the interim, reports and complaints of sexual harassment will be addressed as described below.

For reports and complaints alleging sexual harassment occurring on or after August 14, 2020, the response process described in this document will apply. For all other complaints of discriminatory conduct, the published grievance procedure applies. Refer to Board Policies 1422, 1422.02, 1623, and 2266

### Making a Report or Complaint Alleging Sexual Harassment

The Title IX Coordinator is Kristy Sampson, Federal Programs Coordinator. The Title IX Coordinator can be contacted by email at kristy.sampson@omeresa.net or by phone at 330-679-2343. The Title IX Coordinator's office is located at 38095 State Route 39, Salineville, OH 43945.

Reports of sexual harassment can be made verbally (over the phone or in-person) or in writing (using email, by submitting a written statement, or by mailing a written statement.)

Anyone may report sexual harassment, including victims, by-standers, families, or members of the school community. The District recommends directing reports to the Title IX Coordinator.

All school employees are required to promptly report suspected sexual harassment directly to the Title IX Coordinator.

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### 21-036 TITLE IX RESOLUTION (Continued):

The reporter's identity will be kept confidential to the extent that the District can respond to the report in a way that is not deliberately indifferent while also maintaining that confidentiality. Retaliation is prohibited. Making false reports is prohibited. Discipline under applicable Board policies will be pursed for engaging in prohibited conduct.

## Responding to a Report

The Title IX Coordinator will promptly contact the individual reported to have experienced sexual harassment (referred to as "the Complainant"). The Title IX Coordinator must offer supportive measures to a person alleged to have experienced sexual harassment to help restore or preserve that person's equal access to education. The Title IX Coordinator will explain options and next steps to a Complainant.

Unless confidentiality impairs the District's ability to implement supportive measures, the Complainant's identity will be kept confidential.

#### Making a Formal Complaint of Sexual Harassment

A formal complaint must be filed in order to seek a full investigation into alleged sexual harassment, to obtain remedies, or for the school to impose disciplinary or non-disciplinary sanctions when a person has been found responsible for violating this prohibition on sexual harassment.

An individual alleged to have experienced sexual harassment, or that person's legal guardian, signs and files the formal complaint. The Title IX Coordinator must file a formal complaint of sexual harassment when the District's response to the alleged conduct must include a full investigation and adjudication.

Except when an emergency situation arising from allegations of sexual harassment occurs and posing an immediate threat to physical health or safety occurs, discipline is prohibited until after a Title IX decision-maker finds an individual responsible for conduct that constitutes sexual harassment. Employees accused of sexual harassment may be placed on administrative leave pending an investigation.

#### Response to a Formal Complaint of Sexual Harassment

Unless prohibited by law, the District will respond to formal complaints of sexual harassment with an investigation and adjudication process that complies with the new Title IX regulations. While participation in the investigation and adjudication is strongly encouraged, no person will be forced to participate.

In the event that an individual seeks to file a formal complaint, the Title IX Coordinator will provide written information describing the investigation and adjudication process. After the formal complaint is filed, the Title IX Coordinator will provide both parties with a written notice describing the investigation and adjudication process.

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### 21-036 TITLE IX RESOLUTION (Continued):

The written notice of the allegations will be provided to both the Complainant and the person who is alleged to have committed sexual harassment (referred to as "the Respondent") simultaneously, but the Title IX Coordinator will provide enough time for the Respondent to prepare a response and secure an advisor before conducting an initial investigatory interview or directing an assigned investigator to conduct an initial investigatory interview.

Both the Complainant and Respondent are entitled to an advisor. The advisor may be, but is not required to be an attorney.

#### Training

Materials used for training specified personnel on the implementation of the updated policy will be made available on the District's website.

Questions related to this statement of nondiscrimination and interim conduct policy may be directed to the Title IX Coordinator or the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights.

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-037 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to adjourn the meeting at 4:57 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Chronister, yes. Motion approved.

#### JUNE 8, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District at the Hutson Building on the Eighth day of June 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Mark Chronister, Mrs. Alison Jackson, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Chase Askounes.

#### 21-038 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from May 11, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Lori Wood (via Zoom), The Review reporter, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover May 2021 expense.

#### 21-039 MAY 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the May 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report (FINSUMM), Check Register (CHKREG), Cash Flow Statement, Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts, FY21 Final Permanent Appropriations, and FY21 Initial Permanent Appropriations. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

- Copies of Graduates Transcripts.
- ESSER Training.
- FTE Audit update.

## JUNE 8, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Total Enrollment = 51 not counting graduates.
- Graduated 32 students.
- Suspension/Expulsion there were none.
- ESSER 3 funding, budget, and summer learning update.
- Amatrol training in Louisville, Kentucky.
- CBI Update.

#### 21-040 FY21 STAFFING AGREEMENTS

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the staffing agreements for FY21 for Matt Gates, Mike Skrinjar and McKenna Boals. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-041 FY21 FINAL BUDGET

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the final budget for fiscal year 2021 as follows:

Fund Name	Fund#	Amount
General Fund	001-	666,885.10
JCESC Excellence Grant	019-	549.99
Student Wellness Grant	467-	27,130.75
ESSER	507	16,932.83
CRF Grant	510-91xx	2,333.10
BroadbandOhio Grant	510-9021	33,983.34
IDEA-B	516-	17,727.48
Title I Non-Competitive	536-	9,100.00
Title I	572-	18,367.02
Title II-A	590-	2,156.45
Title IV	599-99xx	10,000.00
Summer Learning Grant	599-9021	16,230.00
TOTAL		821,396.06

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

## JUNE 8, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### 21-042 FY22 BUDGET

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the budget for fiscal year 2022 as follows:

Fund Name	Fund#	Amount
General Fund	001-	621,308.00
Student Wellness Grant	467-	39,888.30
Equity Grant	499-	200,000.00
ESSER	507-	63,090.23
ARP-ESSER	507-9xxx	93,752.68
BroadbandOhio	510-	1,086.02
21st Century	509-	200,000.00
IDEA-B	516-	17,616.21
Title I	572-	27,200.00
Title II-A	590-	2,150.00
Title IV	599-	10,000.00
TOTAL		1,276,091.44

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach,, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

# 21-043 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SERS PICK-UPS FULL EMPLOYEE SHARE PER ORC AT CURRENT RATE ALL PICK-UP TYPES

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the following resolution:

Be it resolved, effective July 1, 2021, that the Utica Shale Academy Board of Education agrees to "pick up" the total amount of employee contributions required by Section 3309.47 of the Ohio Revised Code, as applicable, to be contributed to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), as applicable, by the treasurer/CFO who is a member of that system, such picked-up contributions to be made at the current percentage rate in effect. The Board is permitted to pick up employee contributions pursuant to Sections 3309.47 of the Ohio Revised Code, as applicable, and Section 414(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code. These picked-up contributions, although designated as employee contributions, are being paid by the Board in lieu of employee contributions and shall be treated as a mandatory pre-tax salary reduction from the contract salary otherwise payable to the employee or, to the extent so provided in the contract of the employee, a collective bargaining agreement, or Board policy, shall be paid by the Board as a fringe benefit in addition to the contract salary otherwise payable to the employee. To the extent paidas a fringe benefit, these contributions shall be treated as additional compensation for retirement program purposes if so provided in the contract of the employee, a collective bargaining agreement, or Board policy. Employees subject to the above-

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# 21-043 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SERS PICK-UPS FULL EMPLOYEE SHARE PER ORC AT CURRENT RATE ALL PICK-UP TYPES (Continued):

described pick-ups may not opt out of the picked-up contributions or elect to receive the contributed amounts directly instead of having them picked up by the Board and paid to SERS. All prior pickups for the above-described employees are hereby fully approved and ratified to the extent permitted by law.

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-044 CONTRACT FOR FISCAL OFFICER/TREASURER

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the contract of Robert P. Barrett as fiscal officer/treasurer for fiscal year 2022. The Board expressed their appreciation of the work done by Mr. Barrett. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-045 SUMMER LEARNING AND WELLNESS PROGRAM

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the extend summer learning and wellness program through June with recommendation to continue with success in July and August.

Wellness - 5000 (Wellness)
Intervention, extended learning - 10000 (ESSER funds)
Amatrol - 5000 (CTE)
Administration 3000 (ESSER funds)

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-046 TECH SUMMER SERVICES

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the contract for Tech Summer Services \$2,000 (ESSER funds) for Hutson Building advancements management to include: Internet, Fire Alarms, Fire Suppression, card reader at entrance points and security cameras. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### JUNE 8, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### 21-047 VAULT REMOVAL AND RENOVATIONS AT HUTSON BUILDING

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the contract with Ken Henry Construction to remove the vault in the hazardous gas storage area to allow for 24 welding bays. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, abstain; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved by a vote of 3-0-1.

#### 21-048 AMATROL TRAINING

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the Amatrol training in Louisville, Kentucky for hands-on training for equipment purchased last year. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-049 SPECIAL MEETING

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to schedule a special meeting on June 15, 2021 at 4:30 PM at the Hutson Building. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

# 21-050 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

## JUNE 22, 2021 – SPECIAL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Special Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District at the Hutson Building on the Twenty-second day of June 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:38 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Chase Askounes, Mr. Mark Chronister, Mrs. Alison Jackson, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Karl Blissenbach.

#### 21-051 PROPERTY/LIABILITY INSURANCE

It was moved by Mr. Pitts and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA) for the District's property and liability insurance for the 2021/22 fiscal year at an annual premium of \$4,611. Roll Call: Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes, Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-052 OMERESA AGREEMENT

It was moved by Mr. Pitts and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the FY22 OMERESA Service Agreement. Roll Call: Mr. Pitts, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-053 FY22 SOUTHERN LOCAL AGREEMENTS

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the following service agreements with South)ern Local Schools for fiscal year 2022:

Administrative Fee EMIS Coordinator
Federal Programs Staffing Staffing Agreement
Maintenance Fee Medical Service Lease Agreement
Site Service Special Education

Technology Agreement Tech Staffing Purchase Service

Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes. Motion approved.

## JUNE 22, 2021 – SPECIAL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

# 21-054 SAFE RETURN TO IN PERSON INSTRUCTION AND CONTINUITY OF SERVICES PLAN

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the Safe Return to in person Instruction and continuity of Service Plan as presented (Exh. 21-053). Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-055 FY21 APPROPRIATIONS ADDITION

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the appropriation addition of \$39.000 for the General Fund for fiscal year 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-056 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Pitts and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to adjourn the meeting at 4:47 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Pitts, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Askounces, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes. Motion approved.

### **JULY 13, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District at the Hutson Building on the Thirteenth day of July 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:36 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, , Mrs. Alison Jackson, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Chase Askounes, Mr. Mark Chronister.

#### 21-057 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Pitts and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from June 8, 2021 and the special meeting of June 22, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Pitts, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Lori Wood and Warren Glenn from Ohio Department of Education (via Zoom), Southern Local Superintendent Thomas Cunningham, Southern Local High School Principal Jay Kiger, The Review reporter, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover June 2021 and the Fiscal Year 2021.

### 21-058 JUNE 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the June 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report, Check Register, Cash Flow Statement, Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts, FY21 Final Permanent Appropriations, and FY21 Initial Permanent Appropriations. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes. Motion approved.

- Introduction of Warren Glenn, the new ODE consultant assigned to Utica Shale Academy.
- Monitoring Tile just a few issues remain.
- To open school, reminder to obtain the Opening Assurances, Occupancy Permit for the Hutson Building, and fire inspection.
- Equity Grant was approved.
- FTE Audit has no reported deficiencies. Final report has not been released.

#### JULY 13, 2021 - REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Total Enrollment = 50.
- Suspension/Expulsion there were none.
- AEP is looking at the size of a transformer that will be needed to the Hutson Building.
- Amended the school calendar to have a separate calendar with Southern Local to help students who did not graduate this past school year with a August 1, 2021 start date.

#### 21-059 EQUITY GRANT

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to accept the \$200,000 Equity Grant for the 2021/22 fiscal year. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

# 21-060 COMMUNITY SERVICE SEAL, CREDENTIAL SEAL, OHIO MEANS JOBS READINESS SEAL

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve community service seal for local seal graduation pathway, the Ohio's Industry recognized Credential seal, and Ohio Means Jobs Readiness seal.

Community Service Seal – Students will complete a community service project of community need by completing 20 hours of documented community service. This will include assisting youth, food pantry, general upkeep, landscaping, painting and welding and industrial maintenance work where applicable. The board seeks that students show interest in the local community and complete all activities to be decided by Park board, City Council or other governing bodies to earn the seal.

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-061 BOARD PAYMENT REIMBURSEMENT/COMPENSATION

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the following:

#### Reimbursement

A Board member may receive reimbursement only for expenses that are pre-approved by the Board.

The following guidelines have been established by the Board to ensure appropriate and proper reimbursement of expenses for Board members.

Expenses will be reimbursed only for activities authorized by the Board at a rate determined by the Board.

#### JULY 13, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

### 21-061 BOARD PAYMENT REIMBURSEMENT/COMPENSATION (Continued):

When attending a Board-approved conference, fees, parking, mileage, meals, and housing which are reasonable can be submitted for approval, including a maximum gratuity of twenty percent (20%). A Board member will not be reimbursed for any upgrades for example, a hotel room with a view, or for room service.

A Board member cannot be reimbursed for any expense if the Board member received a benefit through a rewards program for that expense. Rewards programs allow users to earn rewards based on how much money they spend. Examples of rewards programs include, but are not limited to, frequent flier miles, grocery store loyalty card programs, and hotel free night programs. This prohibition includes rewards programs tied to credit cards and loyalty customer cards. No entertainment expenses or purchases of alcoholic beverages are reimbursable.

A voucher detailing the amount and nature of each expense must be submitted to the Board for approval within ten (10) days after the expenses have been incurred.

#### **Compensation Procedures**

The Board and any compensation committee will follow these procedures in reviewing compensation arrangements with Board members, officers, and employees:

- a. Approve all compensation arrangements in advance (before paid).
- b. Document (in writing) its terms and the date approved.
- c. Document (in writing) the decision made by each member who participated in process.
- d. When warranted, consider compensation surveys and compensation paid or offered by similarly situated entities for similar services.
- e. Document (in writing) the information considered in making the decision, and its source.

The Board hereby approves compensation of \$125 per meeting attended (no more than \$125 per meeting attended) for each community school Board member to be effective at the end of his or her term, for his or her next term.

The Board hereby approves compensation of \$60 for attendance at an approved training program three hours or less in (no more than \$60 per day). The Board hereby approves compensation of \$125 for attendance at an approved training program over three hours in length (no more than \$125 per day).

No Board member shall be compensated more than a total amount of \$5,000 per year for all Ohio community school governing authorities on which the individual serves.

R.C. 3314.02; Ohio Ethics Comm. Advisory Opinion No. 91-010

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-062 ALLOCATE \$10,000 TOWARDS COMMUNITY SEAL COMPLETION

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to allocate \$10,000 towards community seal completion, and materials and supervision to fix local parks using R7 attained skills. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

## **JULY 13, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### 21-063 SUMMER EXTENDED LEARNING PROGRAM

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to continue the Summer Extended Learning Program in the months of July and August utilizing ESSER and Wellness funds. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-064 LINCOLN WELDING VIRTUAL TRAINING

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the attendance to the Lincoln Welding Virtual Training for two instructors. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

# 21-065 ACCEPT \$10,000 OF ESSER FUNDS FROM THE COLUMBIANA COUNTY COMMISSIONER HALLECK

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to accept the \$10,000 in ESSER funds from Columbiana County Commissioner Halleck to be used for career tech programs such as industrial maintenance or welding. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-066 FY2021 CONTRACT FOR VLA TEACHERS

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to approve the FY2021 contract with Southern Local Schools for VLA teachers in the amount of \$85,433.00. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 20-067 ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2021/22

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to establish an alternative 2021/22 school for those students who did not graduate from the past school year with a minimum of 920 hours of learning. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-068 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to adjourn the meeting at 5:07 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

#### **AUGUST 10, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District at the Hutson Building on the Tenth day of August 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Mark Chronister, Mrs. Alison Jackson, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Chase Askounes.

#### 21-069 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from July 13, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Warren Glenn from Ohio Department of Education (via phone), Southern Local Superintendent Thomas Cunningham, Southern Local High School Principal Jay Kiger, Southern Local Treasurer Greg Sabbato, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover July 2021.

#### 21-070 JULY 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the July 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report, Check Register, Cash Flow Statement, and Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### SPONSOR'S REPORT

• Opening assurances are in process, waiting for the occupation and fire permits.

#### **AUGUST 10, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Suspension/Expulsion there were none.
- Grant meeting was held on August 10<sup>th</sup> with the Grants Coordinator and Treasurer.
- Looking at becoming a NC3 School, the cost is \$10,000
- Kubota Tech to open this school year. The Academy has ordered a Kubota tractor for the students to work on.
- The Academy will be receiving a donation of \$8,500 from an anonymous donor to purchase a sign for the front of the Hutson building.
- August and September school calendars are moving forward.
- Update on the renovation of the Hutson Building.
- Update on Lincoln Welding Credentials.

#### 21-071 NC3 SCHOOL

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded Mr. Chronister to approve the Utica Shale Academy to become a NC3 School at cost of \$10,000. This allows for Lincoln, Festo, Snapon and Kubota Tech certifications. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-072 CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESS STAIRS AND WELDING VENTILATION PAD

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to approve the Kenny Henry Construction for the construction of access stairs and a welding ventilation pad at the cost of \$13,271.00. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, abstain; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved by a vote of 3-0-1.

#### 21-073 EQUIPMENT PURCHASE FOR KUBOTA TECH

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the purchase of equipment for the Kutota Tech program at a cost of \$36,367.48 with ESSER-ARP grant funds. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

# 21-074 KOIKE SP48 CNC PLASMA SYSTEM PURCHASE

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve of Sky Oxygen quote #849140 for a Koike SP48 CNC Plasma System to be utilized to obtain SACA credentials and have welding students create their own coupons at a cost of \$31,500 from ESSER-ARP grant funds. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

## **AUGUST 10, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### 21-075 AUGUST START DATE CALENDAR FOR NEW STUDENTS

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the August start date school calendar for new students. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-076 SEPTEMBER START DATE CALENDAR FOR EXISTING STUDENTS

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the September start date school calendar for existing students. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

### 21-077 APPROVAL OF WELDING INSTRUCTOR

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the contract with Southern Local Schools for Nick Woods as Welding Instructor. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-078 HOSPITALITY INSTRUCTOR

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the contract with Southern Local Schools for Paige Beatty as Hospitality Instructor. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, abstain; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved by a vote of 3-0-1.

#### 21-079 APPROPRIATION ADDITION

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the following appropriation addition:

Local ESSER Funds (#019-9022) \$10,000.00 TOTAL \$10,000.00

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

# 21-080 CORRECTION OF FISCAL SERVICES CONTRACT

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to approve the correction in the Fiscal Services Contract in Section 5. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

## **AUGUST 10, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### 21-081 APPROVAL OF STEWART SIGNS BID

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the bid from Stewart Signs in the amount of \$13,000 for an exterior sign. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-082 ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION

It was approved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to accept an anonymous donation of \$8,500 to purchase an exterior sign for the Hutson Building. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

The Board discuss the progress of the Hutson Building project with officials from Southern Local Schools. Southern Local Superintendent Cunningham updated the Board on the status of the deed. The deed is still in transition to Southern Local as a donation, but details are still being worked on. Southern Local Board of Education approved the donation of the building four months ago, but the Southern Local attorney has asked the donor, Williams Energy, for language change. Mr. Cunningham stated that he has made phone calls and emails to the donor's attorney to close the deed transfer this week. Mr. Cunningham said that Southern Local's attorney said that the transfer of property is in principle is good. A special Utica Shale board meeting may be needed to be called on this situation in the upcoming period.

#### 21-083 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to adjourn the meeting at 5:21 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District at the Hutson Building on the Fourteenth day of September 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:38 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Mark Chronister, Mrs. Alison Jackson, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Chase Askounes.

#### 21-084 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from August 10, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Warren Glenn from Ohio Department of Education, Southern Local Superintendent Thomas Cunningham, Southern Local High School Principal Jay Kiger, Southern Local Treasurer Greg Sabbato, Morning Journal reporter, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover August 2021.

#### 21-085 AUGUST 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the August 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report, Check Register, Cash Flow Statement, and Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

Mr. Askounes entered the meeting at 4:47 PM.

## **FACILITY UPDATE**

The deed has been received by Southern Local Board and has been recorded.

#### SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### SPONSOR'S REPORT

- Student registration in STAR.
- Reminder of COVID-19 guidelines.
- Keeping student enrollment up-to-date with the first week of October coming soon.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Suspension/Expulsion there were none.
- Enrollment is at 78.
- Performing address checks with students.
- Update on facility renovations at the Hutson Building.
- Property acquisition at 65 E. Main St, Salineville at a purchase price of \$35,000.
- Kubota equipment has been ordered for Kubota Tech.
- Possible Ohio State University satellite with Kubota Tech
- MCTA worksite update.
- Drivers Education with MCTA.

#### 21-096 LAND ACQUISITION

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the Real Estate Purchase Agreement (Exh. 21-096) as presented. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes, Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-097 OHIO STATE UNIVERISTY ETI

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the moving forward with Utica Shale Academy of Ohio as an Ohio State University Education Training Institute. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-098 FY2021 GAAP 990 REPORT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the FY 2021 GAAP 990 form for the Internal Revenue (Exh 21-098). Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes, Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

## 21-099 STAFFING AGREEMENT WITH JCESC

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to approve the staffing agreement (Exh. 21-099) with Jefferson County Educational Services Center as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### 21-100 SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH JCESC

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to reaffirm the second year of the service agreement with Jefferson County Educational Service Center. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

# 21-101 AMENDED FISCAL SERVICES CONTRACT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Askounes to approve the amended fiscal services contract (Exh. 21-101) with Robert P. Barrett effective July 1, 2021. Roll call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-102 RESCIND THE APPROVAL FOR THE SIGN FROM STEWART SIGN

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Askounes to rescind the approval for an outdoor sign from Stewart Sign (M21-081). Roll call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-103 SIGNAGE FROM CAMPBELL SIGNS

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the purchase of an outdoor sign from Campbell's Signs. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Jackson, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-104 OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the renewal of the sponsorship with the Ohio Department of Education for the 2022 school year. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

# 21-105 TEACHER OF RECORD FEE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to approve the teacher of record fee agreement with Southern Local School District for the 2022 fiscal year. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### 21-106 STAFFING AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to approve the staffing agreement with Southern Local School District for the 2022 fiscal year. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-107 EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Askounes to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Askounes, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

Mr. Askounes left the meeting at 5:57 PM.

#### 21-108 RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to return to regular session at 5:58 PM. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-109 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to adjourn the meeting at 5:59 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

## OCTOBER 12, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District at the Hutson Building on the Twelfth day of October 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Mark Chronister, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Chase Askounes and Mrs. Jackson.

#### 21-110 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from September 14, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Warren Glenn from Ohio Department of Education (via phone), Southern Local Treasurer Greg Sabbato, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover September 2021.

## 21-111 SEPTEMBER 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the September 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report, Check Register, Cash Flow Statement, and Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

- Ohio Department of Education contract to review.
- Professional Development.
- Fall review.

## OCTOBER 12, 2021 - REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Suspension = 2/Expulsion none.
- Enrollment is at 77.
- Motion to amend the Early Start SY2022 Calendar.
- Ohio Department of Natural Resources' Conservation Curriculum.
- ICTP through EDCR for credentials.
- Lincoln Welding program for instructors should be completed shortly.
- Kubota equipment has been delivered.

#### 21-112 EARLY START SCHOOL YEAR 2022 CALENDAR ADJUSTMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the early start calendar adjustment for the 2022 school year. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-113 SUMMER STAFFING LEARNING FEE AGREEMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the summer staffing learning fee agreement with Southern Local School District. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-114 FY2022 BUDGET

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the FY2022 Budget as presented by the Treasurer.

Fund	Fund No.	Budget
General Fund	001	\$795,224.27
Student Wellness & Success	467	\$84,608.99
Equity Grant	499	\$200,000.00
ESSER	507	\$69,249.58
ARP-ESSER	507-9922	\$87,120.16
21st Century	509	\$0.00
BroadbandOhio	510	\$1,086.02
IDEA-B	516	\$17,616.21
IDEA-B ARP	516-9022	\$3,216.72
Title I Non-Competitive	536	\$58,300.00
Title I Expanding Opportunities	572-9022	\$454.57
Title I	572	\$10,518.87
Title IV	584	\$13,803.37
Title II-A	590	\$7,448.72
TOTAL		\$1,348,647.48

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

### OCTOBER 12, 2021 - REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

# 21-115 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the following:

Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 3314.03(D)(2) specifies that the sponsor of school must "monitor and evaluate the academic and fiscal performance and the organization and operation of the community school on at least an annual basis."

All Ohio community school sponsors must evaluate each school and submit a written report of school academic, financial, organizational performance, and legal compliance to the Ohio Department of Education and make the report available to the parents of students enrolled in the community school.

The Ohio Department of Education, Office of Ohio School Sponsorship evaluates it sponsored schools on the performance of Ohio School Report Card indicators and on performance measures as listed in the school's community school contract.

The Office of Ohio School Sponsorship monitors the performance of its sponsored community schools through attendance at governing board meetings, on-site visits and through review of compliance surveys, monthly financial reports, and other reports related to the school's academic, financial and operational performance to ensure compliance with rule and law.

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes. Motion approved.

# 21-116 CONTRACT WITH JEFFERSON COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER FOR GRANT SPECIALIST

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr. Blissenbach to approve the contract with the Jefferson County Educational Service Center for the employment of a Grant Assistance and Career Path Networking Specialist at a sum of \$30,371.64 for the 2021/22 school year. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-117 EARLY GRADUATION FOR SUMMER CATCHUP SENIORS

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the following senior for early graduation:

- Audrey Cazares
- TaShay Cornell

Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chroinster, yes. Motion approved.

## OCTOBER 12, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

#### 21-118 ADOPTION OF LINCOLN/NC3 WELDING MATH AND MEASUREMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the adoption the Lincoln/NC3 Welding Math and Measurement to be an Algrebra 2 equivalency for the remainder of the charter. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes.

#### 21-119 ADOPTION OF THE CONSERVATION SCIENCE CURRICULUM FROM ODNR

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the adoption and purchase of the Conservation Science Curriculum from the Ohio Department of Natural Resouces as advanced science to allow students to earn various credentials at a cost of \$122.50. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes.

#### 21-120 ADOPTION OF THE ICTP PROCESS THROUGH NCCER

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the adoption of the ICTP Process through NCCER to provide industry recognized credentials to qualify for the Innovative Workforce Incentive Program at a cost of \$1,900. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes.

#### 21-121 NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to move the November Board meeting to November 16, 2021 at 4:30 PM at the Hutson Building due to conflict with the OSBA Capital Conference. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes.

## 21-122 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

## **NOVEMBER 16, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District at the Hutson Building on the Sixteenth day of November 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Mark Chronister, Mrs. Alison Jackson, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Chase Askounes.

#### 21-123 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from October 12, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Warren Glenn from Ohio Department of Education (via phone) and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover October 2021.

#### 21-124 OCTOBER 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the October 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report, Check Register, Cash Flow Statement, and Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

- Will be conducting the Ohio Department of Education's fall review this Friday.
- New funding formula will begin with the December foundation payment.
- Online leadership training is currently being offered.

## **NOVEMBER 16, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Suspension/Expulsion none.
- Enrollment is at 85 with 26 students receiving special education services.
- Met with Lincoln Electric in regard to our progress with their curriculum and some desire changes. Currently have 178 credentials earned, compared to none last year with New Castle School of Trade.
- 38 students finished with the Welding and Math Measurement an Algebra equivalent.
- MCTA work site has been an extreme success.
- Utica Shale instructors will conclude Mechatronics training on Thursday (Nov. 18, 2021) and the Academy can begin to offer program.
- USA has been working with the SOD Center to offer trainings and career pathways for our students.
- Looking to start the NCCER credentials in the next week or two.
- Looking at attending the ACTE's CareerTech VISION 2021 conference.

#### 21-125 ACTE'S CAREERTECH VISION 2021 CONFERENCE

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve Mr. Watson's attendance at the ACTE's CareerTech VISION 2021 conference in New Orleans, LA December 1<sup>st</sup> through the 4<sup>th</sup>. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-126 FY2021 FIVE-YEAR FORECAST

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the FY2021 Five-Year Forecast as presented by the Treasurer (Exhibit 21-126). Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-127 WELDING SETUP FEE AGREEMENT

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the Welding Setup Fee Agreement with Southern Local Schools. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes, Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, abstain. Motion approved by a vote of 3-0-1.

#### 21-128 SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE IN THE TRADITIONAL MANNER

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to continue special education service in the traditional (teacher allowed to make changes) manner for allowance of direct instruction and differentiation, as computer graded courses do not offer these. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

## **NOVEMBER 16, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### 21-129 iCEV CURRICULUM

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to add the iCEV curriculum to the hospitality program. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-130 INTERVENTION TUTOR CONTRACT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve an Intervention Tutor contract with Jefferson County Educational Service Center for the 2021/22 school year due to increase in the special education student population. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-131 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to adjourn the meeting at 5:14 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

### **DECEMBER 14, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The Governing Board of the Utica Shale Academy met for a Regular Board Meeting hosted by Southern Local District at the Hutson Building on the Fourteenth day of December 2021, and the meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Karl Blissenbach, Mr. Mark Chronister, Mrs. Alison Jackson, and Mr. William Pitts. Also present was Robert P. Barrett, Treasurer. **ABSENT**: Mr. Chase Askounes.

#### 21-132 REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting from November 16, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Guests in attendance for this month's Board meeting included, Dr. Warren Glenn from Ohio Department of Education (via phone), Review Reporter, Southern Local Superintendent Thomas Cunningham, and Bill Watson.

#### REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

Robert Barrett gave a brief overview of the financial status of Utica Shale Academy and reported the status of financial cash position to cover November 2021.

#### 21-133 NOVEMBER 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Pitts to approve the November 2021 Financial Reports as presented by the Treasurer. The Financial Report included the following: Monthly Cash Reconciliation Report, Financial Report, Check Register, Cash Flow Statement, and Monthly Cash Balance Comparison Charts. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.

- Update on HB229 going remote due to bussing issues.
- ODE Newsletter will be out this week.
- New funding formula has been delayed until the January foundation payment.
- Board Ethics training will be offered soon.

#### **DECEMBER 14, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Suspension/Expulsion none.
- Enrollment is at 94 with 8 students in progress to enroll.
- Update on student certifications and virtual lessons completed.
- Looking to expand CTE Believe Horticulture through NC3 would be great program for hospitality courses.
- Growth from the counties to the south. A branch could make sense in that area.
- Awarded a \$2,500 Walmart grant.
- Consideration for an outdoor welding shop for the students.

#### 21-134 APPROPRIATION ADDITION

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the appropriation addition of the JCESC Best Practice Grant (#019-9922) in the amount of \$600.00. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-135 UNIFORM CONTRACT WITH SOUTHERN LOCAL

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve a contract with Southern Local for uniforms for the staff. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, abstain. Motion approved by a vote of 3-0-1.

#### 21-136 SNAP-ON EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to approve the purchase for a Snap-On Battery and Charging equipment through NC3. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-137 CONTRACT WITH SOUTHERN LOCAL FOR DEAN OF STUDENTS SERVICES

It was moved by Mrs. Jackson and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve a contract with Southern Local Schools for Dean of Students services. Services will be assigned to Mr. Carter Hill. Roll Call: Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mr. Blissenbach, abstain. Motion approved by a voter of 3-0-1.

# 21-138 AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH JCESD ON THE STATUS OF THE CAREER SPECIALIST

It was moved by Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to approve the amended to the contract with JCESC for the Career Specialist from part-time to full-time. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

# **DECEMBER 14, 2021 – REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

#### 21-139 EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Blissenbach and seconded by Mr. Chronister to enter into executive session to discuss compensation of an employee. Roll Call: Mr. Blissenbach, yes; Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved at 5:00 PM.

Mr. Blissenbach left the meeting at 5:01 PM.

### 21-140 RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to return to regular session. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved at 5:17 PM.

#### 21-141 RESIGNATION OF BOARD MEMBER

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mrs. Jackson to accept the resignation of Mr. Blissenbach from the board effective December 15, 2021. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes. Motion approved.

#### 21-142 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mr. Pitts to adjourn the meeting at 5:22 P.M. Roll Call: Mr. Chronister, yes; Mr. Pitts, yes; Mrs. Jackson, yes. Motion approved.