

Big Walnut Schools Board of Education

Big Walnut High School, Media/Innovation Center
Thursday, May 19, 2016
6:30pm - 8:30pm

Regular Board Meeting

Present: Mrs. Angie Pollock, Superintendent; Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President; Ms. Terri Day, Treasurer; Mr. Mark Cooper, Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member; Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member; Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President; Ms. Madelyn Wecker

1 OUR MISSION:

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

The mission of the Big Walnut Local Schools is to inspire and guide each student to his or her maximum potential.

2 OUR VISION:

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

In order to realize our mission, we will strive to achieve and maintain our vision of:

- *Student -focused, professional, collaborative staff*
- *Student-focused, challenging and current curriculum*
- *Supportive, involved and informed community*
- *Safe, respectful and welcoming environment*

3 DISTRICT GOALS:

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

- *Improve academic achievement*
- *Improve communication*
- *Plan for growth (facility plan)*
- *Financial responsibility*

4 President

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

- *Dr. Fagan was not in attendance.*

5 Roll Call

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

Minutes

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

6 15-207 Minutes

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

It is recommended the Board review and approve the minutes from the April 21, 2016 Regular Board Meeting and the May 5, 2016 Special Work Session.

Minutes

- *On the April 21, 2016 minutes, the student recognition was presented by Mr. Brad Schneider, not Dr. Allison Fagan.*

Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Seconded: Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

7 Superintendent's Report

Mrs. Angie Pollock

7.1 District Goal: Improve Communication

- Congratulations to the Golden Eagle Mentor Recipients

7.2 District Goal: Planning for Growth

- Central Office Update
- Special Needs Resolution for Bond- Mrs. Becky Princehorn, Bricker and Eckler

Minutes

- *Mrs. Pollock introduced Becky Princehorn (Bricker and Eckler) - she explained the purpose of the Bond Resolution which will be presented to the Board tonight. The state has regulations concerning debt limitation; they have laws that are very old. Two items in the resolution: 1 - seeking state consent; 2 - requesting special needs status.*

7.3 District Goal: Student Academic Achievement

- Big Walnut Elementary Building Presentation & CIP Update
- Academic Update



[BWEBuildingPresentationOverview.doc.pdf](#)

8 Recognitions

Mrs. Angie Pollock

- Garrett Stover, Big Walnut Elementary Student of the Month - Mr. Brad Schneider

- BW Ladies Choir - Mrs. Nicci Hess
- BW Wind Ensemble - Mrs. Nicci Hess
- State Science Fair - Mr. Andy Wecker
- Madelyn Wecker, Board Student of the Month - Mrs. Mindy Meyer



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9 Treasurer's Report

Ms. Terri Eyerman Day

- Monthly Report
- Five Year Forecast and Assumptions



[2016-04 Financials.pdf](#)



[Big Walnut Local School District summary April 2016 board copy.pptx.pdf](#)



[Big Walnut forecast 5.4.16.pdf](#)



[Big Walnut assumptions 5.4.16.docx](#)



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10 Selected Board Policy

Mrs. Angie Pollock

First reading of the following revised policies:

- 1432 Sick Leave (Administration)
- 3432 Sick Leave (Professional Staff)
- 4432 Sick Leave (Classified Staff)



[po1432.pdf](#)



[po3432.pdf](#)



[po4432.pdf](#)

Minutes

- *Mrs. Pollock explained that the revisions bring the policies to meet current statute and to match our negotiated agreements.*

11 Board Members Items of Interest or Discussion

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

Minutes

- *Ms. Wecker reported 48 hours and 5 minutes until commencement.*
- *Mr. Schneider wished BWIS good luck with Teach Like a Pirate Day tomorrow. On the development side of things it has been a good month with townships and villages. He appreciates ongoing cooperation with everyone.*
- *Mrs. Hess thanked Mrs. Pollock, Mr. Cooper and Ms. Eyerman for all of the forums. A great deal of time and preparation went into them. They were well attended and a lot of community interaction took place. She had community members thanking her for providing them the information. She also thanked all teachers and administrators for a great school year.*
- *Mr. Wecker thanked maintenance staff, in advance, for the preparation for graduation and for senior night-painting of the numbers- that was awfully nice. The spring MS concert was great. The 7th grade band scored a 1 overall during competitions. He*

shared that 41% of MS students participated in sports with an average cum GPA of 3.1. Prom promise was this past month - thanks to drama club for re-enactment and the first responders.

- *Mrs. Meyer is looking forward to graduation, she is hoping for good weather. She shared that the younger students are having field day while the older students will be taking exams next week. She stated that the central office staff does not get down time and the move adds to an already busy summer. She was so "wowed" by the science fair kids - they were amazing and awesome. Very proud of them.*

12 Public Participation

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not considered a public community meeting. This is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda. (Please reference criteria for Public Participation, which is attached to the agenda.)

1. Scheduled
2. Non-Scheduled

Minutes

- *scheduled participation - none*
- *non scheduled participation - Lenny Leopold announced he forgot to mention in the paper that baseball went D1 this year*

13 Business Items

13.1 15-208

It is recommended the Board adopt the Resolution Requesting State Consents to Issue Bonds of the School District in an Amount not to Exceed \$135,000,000 and to Submit Question of Such Issuance to the Electors.



[Bond Resolution.pdf](#)

Minutes

- *Mr. Schneider thanked the committees and recognized the work that TRIAD did on the project. He stated he was involved in over 15 meetings and there were even more meetings the committee worked through. He thanked the community members that participated in the public forums. It was a very educational process. It was enlightening to see and hear other people that have different backgrounds and views throughout the district. Being an active member of the committee, he is confident that they did their due diligence to come to this point. He did not hear one person that stated this was not something that was needed. No one likes to consider adding on to what we are paying - like it or hate it - 75% of our funding comes from local sources. He does not think it is fair or right, but it is the situation we have been handed. He is comfortable that we have done the work needed to put this into place.*
- *Mrs. Hess feels comfortable that we have vetted out this process and done everything we could to be sure this is in the best interest of the district. She quoted Steve Mazzi "we cannot put up a no vacancy sign". Kudos to administration and all involved in making sure the decision is what is in the best interest of students.*
- *Mrs. Meyer shared that it really struck her when Bob Kuederle shared that even if we start today, we are still behind. She is confident in Tracy Healy and her numbers, the work of committee and administration, and the countless hours dedicated. She is so happy we have so many engaged community members. As Mr. Schneider said - like it or hate it - it doesn't matter, we don't get a choice. We don't have a lot of choices - like Ms. Princehorn said tonight; this is the lowest cost*

way to do this. If people despise this, legislatures need to hear from us. We can only operate in the parameters we have. The job of the Board is to do the best they can for the kids in our district.

- Mrs. Meyer read a statement from Dr. Fagan which stated that she has participated in the committee as well. She does not want taxes to go up but she does want to insure that the decision is in the best interest of our students. She is in favor of moving forward toward a bond issue.

Approved

Motioned: Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President

Seconded: Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

13.2 15-209

Ms. Terri Eyerman Day

It is recommended the Board approve the 5 Year Forecast and Assumptions for May FY2016.

Minutes

Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Seconded: Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

13.3 15-210

Mr. Mark Cooper

Minutes

Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Seconded: Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

13.4 15-211

Ms. Terri Eyerman Day

It is recommended the Board approve the 2016 Semi-Annual Bond payment:

- BNY Mellon - \$95,406.88 - 2009 School Improv #BIGWAL09
- BNY Mellon - \$64,927.50 - 2009 School Improv #BWWAQSCB09D
- BNY Mellon - \$102,931.25 - 2012 Refunding #BIGWAL12
- BNY Mellon - \$183,978.13 - 2014 refunding #BIGWAL14
- Huntington - \$148,875 - 2015 Refunding #BIGWALNLS15
- Total \$596,118.76

Minutes

Approved

Motioned: Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member

Seconded: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

13.5 15-212

Mrs. Angie Pollock

It is recommended the Board approve the following 2016/2017 handbooks:

- Big Walnut PreK-6
- Big Walnut Middle School
- Big Walnut High School
- Big Walnut Athletic

Minutes

- *Mr. Wecker moved, Mr. Schneider seconded to consent items 13.5 & 13.6.*

Approved

Motioned: Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President

Seconded: Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

13.6 .

Mrs. Angie Pollock

It is recommended the Board approve the Resolution Authorizing Continued Membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2016/2017 School Year.

Minutes

- *vote on 13.5, motion 15-112*

13.7 15-113**Mrs. Angie Pollock**

It is recommended the Board approve the 2015/2016 graduating students from Big Walnut High School on May 21, 2016

Minutes**Approved**

Motioned: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Seconded: Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

13.8 15-114**Mrs. Angie Pollock**

It is recommended the Board approve the following donations:

- \$100 donated to BWHS Challenge Day, donated by Nancy Garrbrant (200-9271 BWHS Challenge Day)
- Standing desks donated to BWIS, donated by GPD Group
- \$124.80 donated to BWE, donated by Kathy Huff

Minutes**Approved**

Motioned: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Seconded: Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

13.9 15-115**Mrs. Angie Pollock**

It is recommended the Board approve the following extended field trips:

- BWHS Football, Ashland University Team Football Camp, June 13-14, 2016
- AP Environmental Science, Bowling Green University, June 12-14, 2016

- BWHS Wrestling, Wrestling Camp, Earlham College - Richmond, IN, June 27-30, 2016

Minutes

Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Seconded: Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

14 Human Resource Items

14.1 15-116

It is recommended the Board adopt the Negotiated Agreement between The Big Walnut Local School District Board of Education and the Big Walnut Professional Support Staff Association, effective July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2019.

Minutes

- *Mrs. Pollock thanked the support staff negotiation team and those on our team for the smoothest negotiations she has ever been through.*

Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Seconded: Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

14.2 15-117

It is recommended the Board accept the following resignations:

- Amy Palmer, Educational Assistant, General Rosecrans Elementary, effective at the end of the 2015/2016 school year
- Larry Bell, Custodian, Harrison Street Elementary, effective May 31, 2016, due to retirement
- Tara Lax, Intervention Specialist, General Rosecrans Elementary, effective at the end of the 2015/2016 school year

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 [Bell Retirement 1 .pdf](#)

 [Lax resignation.pdf](#)

Minutes

- *Mr. Wecker motioned, seconded by Mrs. Hess to consent items 14.2 - 14.8.*

Approved

Motioned: Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President

Seconded: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member


Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

14.3 .

It is recommended the Board approve a one-year contract for the following certified staff, effective the 2016/2017 school year:

- Taylor Leonard, Big Walnut Middle School Music Teacher, BA30 step 1
- Megan Massingill, Big Walnut Intermediate School 6th Grade Science Teacher, BA step 0
- Natalie Siclair, Hylen Souders Elementary STEM Teacher, MA step 5

 [Taylor Leonard MS Music.pdf](#)

 [Megan Massingill 6 science.pdf](#)

 [Siclair STEM SOU.pdf](#)

Minutes

- *vote on 14.2, motion 15-117*

14.4 .

It is recommended the Board approve the following classified contracts:

 [classified contracts 5.2016.pdf](#)

Minutes

- *vote on 14.2, motion 15-117*

14.5 .

It is recommended the Board approve the following stipends for the 2015/2016 school year:

Washington DC Trip

Kelly Robinson, Coordinator, \$500

Laura Conley, Chaperone, \$450

Lynn Elder, Chaperone, \$450

Amanda Isganitis, Chaperone, \$450

Kriste Martin, Chaperone, \$450

Outdoor School Trip

Mike Wion, Coordinator, \$500

Jason Crawford, Coordinator, \$500
Chris Holly, Chaperone, \$450

Big Walnut Eagle Relays

Dave Ishler, Meet Manager, \$300

OCC Track & Field Championships (paid by OCC gate fees through 022 account)

Kevin Lewis, Meet Manager, \$320

Big Walnut Track Invitational (paid from 300 athletic fund)

Joe Weaver, Meet Manager, \$250

Bob Scott, Clerk, \$100

Melissa Eckelbarger, Awards, \$100

Minutes

- *vote on 14.2, motion 15-117*

14.6 15.118

It is recommended the Board approve a stipend of \$300 for each Superintendent-approved staff member who leads a seven-week Eagle Extension Club for the 2016-2017 school year (paid through 018 fund).

Minutes

- *Mr. Wecker motioned, Mr. Schneider seconded to remove item 14.6 from the motion for consent in 14.2 - vote all aye.*
- *Mrs. Meyer motioned, Mr. Wecker seconded to amend items 14.6 to say "staff member who leads a summer Eagle Extension for 2015/2016 school year - vote all aye.*
- *Amended vote on 14.6 is below.*

Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Seconded: Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker	X		

14.7 .

It is recommended the Board approve the following athletic head-coach contracts for the 2016/2017 school year:

Joe Weaver, Football, Head Coach, group 1 step 11
Tyler DeLorenzo, Boys' Soccer, Head Coach, group 2 step 1
Drew Pitzer, Girls' Soccer, Head Coach, group 2 step 4
Chuck Workman, Boys' Golf, Head Coach, group 3 step 11
Ryan Balaz, Girls' Tennis, Head Coach, group 3 step 8
Kevin Lewis, Cross Country, Head Coach, group 3 step 11
Ron Lehman, Volleyball, Head Coach, group 2 step 11
Savannah Brown, Cheer, Head Coach, group 2 step 7
Brett Bartlett, Boys' Basketball, Head Coach, group 1 step 4

Steve Palmer, Girls' Basketball, Head Coach, group 1 step 11
Luke Moore, Wrestling, Head Coach, group 2 step 11
Misty Lloyd-Matthews, Gymnastics, Head Coach, group 3 step 11
Rebecca Brigham, Swimming, Head Coach, group 3 step 7
Scott Morrison, Bowling, Head Coach, group 3 step 0

Minutes

- *vote on 14.2, motion 15-117*

14.8 .

It is recommended the Board approve the following supplemental positions:

Girls' Golf Head Coach, group 3
Strength Coach, group 3
SOAR, group 7
Senior Class Advisor, change from group 5 to group 4

Minutes

- *vote on 14.2, motion 15-117*

15 Scheduling of Next Board Meeting

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

Regular Board Meeting:

June 16, 2016
6:30 p.m.
Big Walnut High School, Media (Innovation) Center

16 15-119 Executive Session

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

It is recommended the Board enter executive session to consider the employment of a public employee or official.

Minutes

- *Ms. Wecker did not enter Executive Session*

Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Seconded: Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker			

17 15-120 Adjourn

Mrs. Mindy Meyer

It is recommended the Board exit executive session and the meeting adjourns.

Minutes

Exit Executive Session at 10:04 p.m.

Adjourn at 10:04 p.m.

Approved

Motioned: Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member

Seconded: Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President

Voter	Yes	No	Abstaining
Mrs. Mindy Meyer, Board President	X		
Mrs. Nicci Hess, Board Member	X		
Mr. Brad Schneider, Board Member	X		
Mr. Andy Wecker, Board Vice President	X		
Ms. Madelyn Wecker			