

**UNION-SCIOTO BOARD of EDUCATION**  
**MINUTES – March 11, 2013**  
**High School Library**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**6:00 P.M.**

I. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. WELCOME AND RECOGNITION OF VISITORS- Wilma Gillott provided update on RTTT teachers training for student learning objectives. Union-Scioto is also a pilot school for the Instructional Improvement System

IV. TREASURER’S REPORT- Discussion on the proposed funding formula in the Governor’s Budget proposal

V. AMEND AND APPROVE AGENDA

MOTION: Mr. Storts

SECOND: Mr. Lovensheimer

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education:

A. Approves the minutes of the February 4, 2013 board meeting

B. Approves the minutes of the March 4, 2013 special board meeting

C. Approves the financial reports for the month of February 2013 as presented by the Treasurer/CFO

D. Approves the FY 2013 Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources

E. Approves the FY 2013 Permanent Appropriation Resolution

MOTION: Mr. Smart

SECOND: Mr. Storts

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

VII. RECOMMENDATION

1. IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve the calendar for the 2013-2014 school year.

MOTION: Mr. Lovensheimer  
SECOND: Mr. Smart

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

2. IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve the retirement of Linda Collins, elementary teacher effective June 1, 2013.

MOTION: Mr. Storts  
SECOND: Mr. Lovensheimer

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

3. IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve to hire the following attendant for special needs student on a one-year limited contract for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year:

Melissa Hatmacher – 6 ½ hours per day – Step 0

MOTION: Mr. Smart  
SECOND: Mr. Lovensheimer

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

4. IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve the following classified substitutes for the 2012-2013 school year:

Leslie DeBord – café, custodian, secretary  
Heidi North – Aide, Attendant  
Rachel Richmond – Aide, Attendant – secretary  
Lucinda Woods - cafe

MOTION: Mr. Storts  
SECOND: Mrs. Cochenour

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

5. IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve the following athletic supplemental contracts for the 2013-2014 school year on a one-year limited contract:

Ryan Rinehart– Asst. Football ½ pay  
Jeff Doles – Asst. Baseball  
Matt Hoops – Asst. Track  
Brienne Paxton – Asst. Track

MOTION: Mr. Lovensheimer  
SECOND: Mr. Smart

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

6. IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve the correction to the following athletic contract for the 2013-2014 school year:

Wes Bowles – Asst. Football ½ pay

MOTION: Mr. Storts  
SECOND: Mr. Lovensheimer

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

7. IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve the following volunteer coaches for the 2012-2013 school year.

Dave Neff – Softball  
Eric Cox - Baseball  
Jim Lump – Baseball  
Paul Sturgill - Track

MOTION: Mr. Smart  
SECOND: Mr. Storts

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

8. IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve an unpaid medical leave of absence for Nancy Coonrod upon exhaustion of Ms. Coonrod's sick and personal leave up to a period of 8 weeks effective March 12, 2013, with an estimated return of May 7, 2013.

MOTION: Mr. Storts

SECOND: Mr. Lovensheimer

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

9. IT IS RECOMMENDED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve to accept proposal from Professional Service Industries for providing construction materials testing and observation services for the Junior High classroom addition and parking lot expansion.

MOTION: Mr. Smart

SECOND: Mrs. Cochenour

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

## VIII. RESOLUTIONS

1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve the current open enrollment policy for all students from other districts in the State of Ohio for the 2013-2014 school year.

MOTION: Mr. Smart

SECOND: Mr. Lovensheimer

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Union-Scioto Board of Education does approve the resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying them to the County Auditor.

MOTION: Mr. Storts

SECOND: Mrs. Uhrig

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

3. WHEREAS, Governor Kasich’s biennial budget (HB 59) proposes to expand the EdChoice Scholarship Program through two new options that will significantly increase the number of publicly-funded vouchers for students to attend private or parochial schools; and

WHEREAS, one of the programs provides private or parochial school tuition vouchers to any entering kindergarten student of a family with a household income less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level, to be used at the parent’s choice of participating private or parochial school; and

WHEREAS, the following year, such vouchers would be expanded to include students in both kindergarten and first grade, totaling \$25 million over the biennium; and

WHEREAS, such vouchers would be granted without regard to the academic performance or quality of the public school that the student is assigned to attend; and

WHEREAS, the second voucher expansion proposed by the Governor in HB 59 expands eligibility for the EdChoice voucher program to Kindergarten through 3rd grade students enrolled in buildings that received a “D” or “F” in the new K-3 Literacy component of the New Report Card in 2 of the 3 most recent report cards; and

WHEREAS, the operation of the proposed programs would effectively reduce funds from the already financially beleaguered local public school districts, resulting in fewer resources for the education of remaining students;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Union Scioto Local Board of Education does hereby express its opposition to these provisions in HB 59; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Union Scioto Local Board of Education expresses its opposition to any legislation that seeks to transfer public dollars to support private education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer be directed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of the Board of Education and that copies of the resolution be forwarded to the Governor and members of the Ohio General Assembly.

MOTION: Mr. Smart

SECOND: Mrs. Storts

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

4. WHEREAS, Ohio Educational Service Centers (ESCs) are a vital link and partner in the primary and secondary educational process, providing a range of services to their member school districts, including curriculum development, professional development, technology assistance, administrative and supervisory services, preschool and special education programs and specialist staffing and support services for at-risk youth; and

WHEREAS, ESCs assist school districts in meeting and complying with federal and state regulations in areas such as bus driver training, teacher licensure, background checks, child attendance, EMIS reporting and coordination, child abuse awareness and prevention, and many other important services to the local districts they serve; and

WHEREAS, ESCs support community outreach and partnerships in their school districts, including family and civic engagement teams, Business Advisory Councils, Family and Children First Councils, Workforce Development Boards and Regional P-16 Councils; and

WHEREAS, ESCs serve as important bodies to encourage and broker shared services among school districts, as well as other local government units on a regional basis, including value-added benefits in areas such as administrative back office support, grant-writing and administration, human resource services, transportation services and technology assistance; and

WHEREAS, ESCs are effectively governed by locally elected boards of education members who are accountable to Ohio taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the executive budget proposal (HB 59) submitted by Governor Kasich proposes the continuation of reductions in the state funding subsidy for ESCs by \$15.3 million, thereby reducing the ability of ESCs to effectively and efficiently serve school districts and other clients; and

WHEREAS, the bill (HB 59) also proposes to eliminate publicly elected ESC boards of education and to replace such boards with a yet-to-be determined governance model, using appointed members from all client groups, thereby eliminating public accountability and transparency for ESC operations and potentially diluting the educational mission of ESCs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Union Scioto Board of Education does hereby express its opposition to these provisions in HB 59; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Union Scioto Board of Education does hereby urge the Ohio General Assembly to maintain the state subsidy for ESCs at current levels; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Union Scioto Board of Education does hereby urge the Ohio General Assembly to preserve public accountability and transparency by maintaining the current governance structure of elected ESC board members; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer be directed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of the Board of Education and to forward copies of the resolution to the Governor and members of the Ohio General Assembly.

MOTION: Mr. Lovensheimer

SECOND: Mr. Smart

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

IX. Current Events

1. Employment of Superintendent- Board discussed its intention to rehire Mr. Garrett as Superintendent. A public hearing on the hiring will be held prior to the board meeting on June 10, 2013.
2. Pre-School updated provided by Wilma Gillott. Dana Letts will take over program after April 1, 2013.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION - 121.22 (G) (a) – The appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of an employee or official or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee.

TIME IN: 7:00 p.m.

MOTION: Mr. Storts  
SECOND: Mrs. Cochenour

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

TIME OUT: 8:20 p.m.

MOTION: Mr. Storts  
SECOND: Mr. Lovensheimer

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

XI. MOTION TO ADJOURN - 8:21 p.m.

MOTION: Mr. Storts  
SECOND: Mr. Lovensheimer

Mrs. Uhrig– yes; Mrs. Cochenour- yes; Mr. Smart-yes; Mr. Storts- yes; Mr. Lovensheimer-yes

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Board President

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Treasurer