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The Rootstown Local Board of Education met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria on April 18, 2016. Present were Tom Siciliano, Jay Kelsey, Amanda Waesch, and Stephanie Langguth. Also present were Andrew Hawkins, Superintendent, and Connie Baldwin, Treasurer, Diana Pastor, Terri Hrina-Treharn, Brett Housley, Jeff Turner, James Conley, Matt Collins, Delia Paulus, Peggy Shewell, Lynn Fatica, Sarah Foster, Brenda Drake, Bob Treharn, Colby Byrom/EMG, Kevin Adams/EMG, Diane Wilson, Carolyn Marva, Paul Marva, Chuck Wilson, and Ryan Wilson.

The meeting was called to order by President Jay Kelsey at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: J. Kelsey, T. Siciliano, S. Langguth, N. Reynolds, and A. Waesch.

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-56**  
**ADOPT THE AGENDA**

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by N. Reynolds to adopt the agenda.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, N. Reynolds, J. Kelsey, S. Langguth, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**Lions Club Good Award - Presentation**

After a short presentation explaining the purpose of the Lions Club Good Award, Delia Paulus and Brett Housley presented the awards to Brayden Dougherty, Ryan Wilson, and Brandan Nicholas (in absentia). The students and their parents were recognized for their achievement.

**Girl Scouts - Presentation**

After a short presentation the Girl Scouts presented Jeff Turner with a donation of \$279.00.

**IDEA PART B Federal Funds- Presentation**

Connie Baldwin and Lynn Fatica gave the annual presentation on the use of IDEA funds.

**Community Comments:** None

**Treasurer's Reports/Recommendations:**

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-57**  
**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

It was moved by S. Langguth seconded by T. Siciliano to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the following meetings:

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Also, approved the monthly financial reports as submitted, with the authorization for the payment of bills and appropriation modifications as necessary.

Yeas: S. Langguth, T. Siciliano, N. Reynolds, A. Waesch, J. Kelsey

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-58**  
**APPROVE DONATIONS**

It was moved by S. Langguth seconded by T. Siciliano to approve the following donations:

\$25.00	from Mrs. Farkash for the Prom Committee.
\$25.00	from Elizabeth Braden for the HS Quiz Bowl.
\$2,000.00	from Katherine Rae Iarussi Arts for the HS Quiz Bowl.
\$100.00	from Robert Dudley for the HS Quiz Bowl.
\$100.00	from Barbara & Charles Craig for the Mark Klima Fund.
\$50.00	from Rosemarie Wright for the Mark Klima Fund.
\$500.00	from the Strohm Family for the Mark Klima Fund.

Yeas: S. Langguth, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, J. Kelsey, N. Reynolds

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-59**  
**APPROVE E-RATE BIDS**

It was moved by S. Langguth seconded by N. Reynolds to an E-rate bid with Time Warner for a PRI line with business class service at a rate of \$245 per month and additional lines at \$29.99 per line subject to the E-rate discount of approximately 50%.

Yeas: S. Langguth, N. Reynolds, J. Kelsey, A. Waesch, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-60**  
**APPROVE E-RATE BID**

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by N. Reynolds to approve an E-rate bid with CDW-G for network upgrades including: core switch, additional wireless access points, licensing, and cabling installation in the approximate amount of \$162,928 reduced to \$81,464 with the E-rate discount.

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Yeas: T. Siciliano, N. Reynolds, S. Langguth, J. Kelsey, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-61**  
**APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS**

It was moved by A. Waesch seconded by T. Siciliano to approve the following appropriation adjustments based on the increase and decrease in corresponding revenue adjustments:

001	General Fund	Increase	\$500,000.00
022	Tournament Account	Increase	\$1,993.00
026	Flexible Spending	Increase	\$2,059.00
200	Student Activities	Increase	\$4,000.00

Yeas: A. Waesch, T. Siciliano, N. Reynolds, J. Kelsey, S. Langguth

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-62**  
**BOARD OF REVISION COUNTER-COMPLAINT**

It was moved by S. Langguth seconded by N. Reynolds to approve the filing a counter complaint with the Board of Revision as follows:

WHEREAS, The owners of real property as listed with case numbers below:

DonPhil Holdings Co LTD	2015-000030
Rootstown Elderly Housing Limited PTSHP	2015-000071

within this District (the "Property"), has filed a Complaint Against the Valuation of Real Property with respect to the Property (the "Complaint") with the Portage County Board of Revision; and

WHEREAS, the previously listed owners are seeking to decrease the taxable value of the Property by more than \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to oppose the Complaint and the requested decrease in taxable value of the Property by filing a Counter-Complaint Against the Valuation of Real Property with respect to the Property (the "Counter-Complaint") with the Portage County Board of Revision;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rootstown Local School District, County of Portage, State of Ohio, that:

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Section 1. This Board hereby authorizes and instructs the Treasurer to direct legal counsel for this Board to prepare and file the Counter-Complaint with the Portage County Board of Revision and to take any other steps necessary to oppose the requested decrease in taxable value of the Property and to support the taxable value currently assigned to the Property by the Portage County Auditor.

Section 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Yeas: S. Langguth, N. Reynolds, A. Waesch, J. Kelsey, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-63**  
**WORKERS' COMP GROUP RETRO**

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by A. Waesch to approve the agreement with Sheakley UniService for Workers' Comp Group Retro Rating Program for a fee of \$1,585.00 for the 2017 calendar year.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, J. Kelsey, S. Langguth, N. Reynolds

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**Superintendent Reports/Recommendations:**

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-64**  
**FMLA - RITCHIE**

It was moved by S. Langguth seconded by T. Siciliano to approve FMLA for Ann Ritchie for FMLA, effective 4/11/16.

Yeas: S. Langguth, T. Siciliano, J. Kelsey, A. Waesch, N. Reynolds

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

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**RESIGNATION - BARRY**

It was moved by S. Langguth seconded by T. Siciliano to the resignation of Sarah Barry (Sikon), High School Science Teacher, effective August 31, 2016

Yeas: S. Langguth, T. Siciliano, N. Reynolds, A. Waesch, J. Kelsey

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-66**  
**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT**

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by N. Reynolds to approve a three-year contract for Terri Hrina-Treharn as Assistant Superintendent, 224 days, effective the 2016-2017 school year.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, N. Reynolds, A. Waesch, J. Kelsey, S. Langguth

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-67**  
**COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS**

It was moved by S. Langguth seconded by N. Reynolds to approve the College Credit Plus agreement with Youngstown State University for the 2016-2017 school year.

Yeas: S. Langguth, N. Reynolds, T. Siciliano, J. Kelsey, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-68**  
**TEXTBOOK ADOPTION**

It was moved by S. Langguth seconded by T. Siciliano to approve the textbook adoption for 6 through Integrated III Math and High School Physics.

Yeas: S. Langguth, T. Siciliano, J. Kelsey, A. Waesch, N. Reynolds

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-69**  
**APPROVE SUBSTITUTES**

It was moved by A. Waesch seconded by T. Siciliano to approve the following substitutes:

Betty Ostrowske  
Autumn Gowdy

Substitute Teacher, effective 4/11/16.  
Substitute Bus Aide, Playground Aide  
& Cafeteria, effective 4/11/16.

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Randy Dean  
Debbie Ravine

Substitute Teacher, effective 4/5/2016.  
Substitute Teacher

Yeas: A. Waesch, T. Siciliano, N. Reynolds, S. Langguth  
Abstains: J. Kelsey  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried: 4 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-70**  
**APPROVE CLASSIFIED CONTRACTS**

It was moved by S. Langguth seconded by A. Waesch to the following classified contracts, effective the 2016-2017 school years:

John Griffin	Playground Aide	2 year
Nancy Havener	Custodian	Continuing
Jennifer Hockstra	Educational Aide	2 year
Elizabeth Slater	Bus Driver	Continuing
Gary Slater	Maintenance	2 year
Catherine Stamper	Bus Driver	Continuing
Sandra Stanley	Educational Aide	2 year

Yeas: S. Langguth, A. Waesch, N. Reynolds, J. Kelsey, T. Siciliano  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-71**  
**APPROVE HS COURSE CATALOG**

It was moved by T. Siciliano seconded by N. Reynolds to approve the High School Course Catalog for the 2016-2017 school year.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, N. Reynolds, J. Kelsey, S. Langguth, A. Waesch  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-72**  
**APPROVE IN LIEU OF TRANSPORTATION**

It was moved by N. Reynolds seconded by T. Siciliano to pay up to \$1,500 per student that attends Super Learning Center for payment in lieu of transportation for the 2015-2016 school year.

Yeas: N. Reynolds, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, S. Langguth, J. Kelsey  
Nays: None

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Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-73**  
**APPROVE SCHOOL PROPERTY USE**

It was moved by A. Waesch seconded by T. Siciliano to approve the Rootstown Youth Soccer Club to use school property during the 2016-2017 school year.

Yeas: A. Waesch, T. Siciliano, J. Kelsey, N. Reynolds, S. Langguth

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**REPORTS:**

**Connie Baldwin:** Received a check from Medicaid for over \$44,000. Thanks to Lynn Fatica for supervising the district program to bill Medicaid for students receiving related services.

**Jeff Turner:** Mr. Turner recognized Kelli Coffman, Title One teacher, for her efforts with the second annual Book Swap held in late March. She spent a great deal of time preparing for this event. Every student came home with at least 3 new or gently used books through donations from the parents, students, and the PTA.

Mr. Turner recognized Betty Ostrowske for returning out of retirement to substitute in emergency situations the past two years.

Mr. Turner complimented the students and staff for their efforts with AIR Testing that is taking place in April and May.

The elementary will have their second Lockdown Drill on May 17th.

On May 16th, 3rd and 5th graders will have their Spring Concert at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Turner recognized teachers for their dedication to our students. Teacher Appreciation Week is the first week of May.

Mr. Turner recognized four 5th grade girls for their idea to approach the PTA to get Buddy Benches for our playground. Special thanks go to Maplewood students for creating the benches and Ralph Paulus (parent) for facilitating the project with Maplewood.

**Terri Hrina-Treharn:**

**Rootstown Putting It to Practice Profile** – Our district's profile is now posted in the Student Success Resource Library in the Ohio Education Research Center on the Battelle for Kids site.

**Testing** – We started State Testing on April 11<sup>th</sup>. We will finish all of the ELA tests tomorrow and then start Math on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Weekly test schedules can be found on the district's main webpage and the full test schedule was included in the last edition of *The Communicator*.

**Textbook Committees** – Our committees are wrapping up with their recommendations for selection. The CPM series for Grades 6-Int III and Pearson's Walker HS Physics book have been available for public review and comment at the Board Office this past week. Lastly, our K-5 mathematics committee will be meeting again this week to come up with our final recommendations.

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Other Updates – Roster verification began last week. This process of linking is what is used to generate teacher value-added reports. Teachers verify what students they taught, when and at what percent of instruction. We are currently in the school set-up period. Remember, this involves teachers in grades 4-HS for EOC tests in ELA and Mathematics, 6<sup>th</sup> grade SS, Am History and Biology, as well as 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Science

**Rob Campbell:**

There were several instrumentalists and several vocalists from the middle school who participated in the OMEA solo and ensemble contests on April 9th. Each of them earned ratings of either excellent or superior.

Middle school track is off to a good start.

Testing in the middle school began last week, with the ELA tests.

Fifth grade orientation was held on April 7th and was highly attended. The event went well, with many students and parents visiting the building to learn about the transition from the elementary to the middle school.

The fourth interim ends on Friday (4/22) and interim reports will be sent home on April 29.

The county art show is being held this week at NEOMED. The awards presentation is on Thursday evening at 6:30

**James Conley:**

Life Share - 3 blood drives we were able to collect 71 units of blood. 2 \$500 scholarships.

American Red Cross- Blood Drive June 3rd open to all from 8-2 created by Junior Rebecca Boyle. Eligible for scholarship

Rover Clothing Rack will be open starting next week. It will be open to students after school.

Seniors will be participating in the None 4 under 21 at Hiram College tomorrow. HPAC students will participate in Scholars Day at NEOMED on Sunday April 24th

**Peggy Shewell:** National School Lunch Hero Day – celebrating by recognizing her cafeteria workers for their dedication and hard work. Also, started a Lunch Room Super Hero program, thanks to a great idea from Debbie Bailey.

**Matt Collins:** Water meters were installed by the county. HS gym section of the roof needs replaced. Elementary and Middle school roofs are leaking. A circulating pump was replaced at the elementary that controlled the field house water. A boiler in the elementary will be replaced this summer. A power outage at the elementary and high school was caused by a downed power line. The emergency lighting is original to each building and needs upgraded. The new bus is about 2 weeks out. The maintenance dept. returned our unused road salt. Weed control scheduled over spring break. Summer projects include a new boiler, paving behind the HS, and removal of the planter in front of the building.

**Norm Reynolds:** Reported on HB 425

**Andrew Hawkins:**

Board of DD Task Force Update

Community Survey Update

New vaccine requirements for 7th and 12 graders (MCV4):

- For 2016-17 school year
- Information on school district website



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- Letter sent home

Insurance consortium rate setting meeting is Wednesday 4/20  
Interims will be distributed on 4/29

**New Business:** Andrew Hawkins proclaimed Tuesday, May 3, 2016 as National Teacher Day in Rootstown. We have an outstanding teaching staff in Rootstown and please be sure to thank them for all they do for the children of Rootstown.

**RESOLUTION 2016-04-74**  
**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by T. Siciliano and seconded by S. Langguth to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, S. Langguth, A. Waesch, J. Kelsey, N. Reynolds

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

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Jay Kelsey, President

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Connie Baldwin, Treasurer