



Cuyahoga Valley Career Center

January 2023 Organizational Board Meeting

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Conference Room A**

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In Attendance

Ashley Thomas; Bobbie Beshara; Gary Suchocki; Jacquelyn
Arendt; James Gilbride; James Virost; Mike Kahoe; Robert
Felber; Russ Fortlage

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center prepares youth and adults to enter, compete, advance, and lead in an ever changing world of work, college, and careers.

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 to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda item.

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

President Pro Tempore Mr. Kahoe called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. WELCOME AND OATHS of OFFICE:

Three-Year Term

- * Gary Suchocki, Cuyahoga Heights
- * Ashley Thomas, Garfield Heights
- * James Virost, Nordonia Hills
- * Robert Felber, Twinsburg

One-Year Term

- * Bobbie Beshara, Revere (Rotating)

OATH OF OFFICE: I _____ do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio; and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge my duties as Board Member in and for the said Cuyahoga Valley Career Center, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, to the best of my ability, and in accordance with the laws now in

effect and hereafter to be enacted, during my continuance in said office and until my successor is chosen and qualified.

IV. ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Arendt____ Mrs. Beshara____ Mr. Felber____
Mr. Fortlage____ Mr. Gilbride____ Mr. Kahoe____
Mr. Suchocki____ Ms. Thomas____ Mr. Virost____

V. Election of President for Calendar Year 2023 (Mr. Kahoe, President Pro-Tempore presiding.)

A. Open Nominations for President:

Moved by **Mr. Felber** to open nominations
Nominations:

(1) **Mr. Suchocki**
Nominated by: **Mr. Felber**
Seconded by: **Mr. Gilbride**

(2) _____
Nominated by: _____
Seconded by: _____

B. Close Nominations for President:

Moved by **Mr. Fortlage** to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for the sole nominee for Board President
Seconded by: **Mrs. Beshara**

C. Election of Board President:

Mr. Suchocki as President

- ROLL CALL:
Mrs. Beshara____ Mr. Felber____ Mr. Fortlage____
Mr. Gilbride____ Mr. Kahoe____ Mr. Suchocki____
Ms. Thomas____ Mr. Virost____ Mrs. Arendt____

Move: Russ Fortlage Second: Bobbie Beshara Status: Passed

Yes: James Virost, James Gilbride, Gary Suchocki, Jacquelyn Arendt, Russ Fortlage, Robert Felber, Mike Kahoe, Ashley Thomas, Bobbie Beshara

OATH OF OFFICE:

I, **Gary Suchocki**, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio; and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge my duties as

President of the Board in and for the said Cuyahoga Valley Career Center, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, to the best of my ability, and in accordance with the laws now in effect and hereafter to be enacted, during my continuance in said office and until my successor is chosen and qualified.

VI. Election of Vice-President for Calendar Year 2023 (Newly elected President presiding.)

A. Open Nominations for Vice-President:

Moved by **Mr. Suchocki** to open nominations

Nominations:

(1) **Ms. Thomas**

Nominated by: **Mr. Fortlage**

Seconded by: **Mr. Felber**

(2) _____

Nominated by: _____

Seconded by: _____

B. Close Nominations for Vice-President:

Moved by **Mr. Kahoe** to close nominations and cast unanimous ballot for the sole nominee for Board Vice President

Seconded: **Mr. Gilbride**

C. Election of Board Vice-President of Board of Education

Ms. Thomas as Vice-President

• ROLL CALL:

Mr. Felber _____ Mr. Fortlage _____ Mr. Gilbride _____

Mr. Kahoe _____ Mr. Suchocki _____ Ms. Thomas _____

Mr. Virost _____ Mrs. Arendt _____ Mrs. Beshara _____

Move: Mike Kahoe Second: James Gilbride Status: Passed

Yes: James Virost, James Gilbride, Gary Suchocki, Jacquelyn Arendt, Russ Fortlage, Robert Felber, Mike Kahoe, Ashley Thomas, Bobbie Beshara

OATH OF OFFICE:

I, **Ashley Thomas**, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio; and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge my duties as Vice-President of the Board in and for the said Cuyahoga Valley Career Center, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, to the best of my ability, and

in accordance with the laws now in effect and hereafter to be enacted, during my continuance in said office and until my successor is chosen and qualified.

VII. Resolution #2023-1 1 A Resolution Fixing the Time and Place of Meetings of the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center Board of Education:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center Board of Education shall hold its meetings on the following Thursdays:

Regular Meetings

- February 23, 2023
- March 30, 2023
- April 27, 2023
- May 18, 2023
- June 29, 2023
- July: no meeting scheduled
- August 31, 2023
- September 28, 2023
- October 26, 2023 (All Boards Dinner)
- November: no meeting scheduled
- December 7, 2023
- January 11, 2024*

*Organizational Meeting

- January 11, 2024

Regular meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. (unless otherwise noted) in Conference Room A at Cuyahoga Valley Career Center located at 8001 Brecksville Road, Brecksville, Ohio.

Note: Unless otherwise noted, the Ad Hoc Committees' time and place will always precede the Regular Meeting of the Board at 6:00 p.m.

• ROLL CALL:

Mr. Fortlage____ Mr. Gilbride____ Mr. Kahoe____
Mr. Suchocki____ Ms. Thomas____ Mr. Virost____
Mrs. Arendt____ Mrs. Beshara____ Mr. Felber____

Move: Mike Kahoe Second: Jacquelyn Arendt Status: Passed

Yes: James Virost, James Gilbride, Gary Suchocki, Jacquelyn Arendt, Russ Fortlage, Robert Felber, Mike Kahoe, Ashley Thomas, Bobbie Beshara

VIII. Resolution #2023-1 2 A Resolution Establishing a Service Fund:

WHEREAS, Revised Code 3315.15 provides for the setting aside from the General Fund a sum not to exceed two dollars (\$2.00) for each child enrolled or twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) whichever is greater, such sum of money to be known as the "Service Fund" to be used in paying expenses of members of the Board actually incurred in the performance of their duties or of their official representatives when sent out of the school district, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center does hereby establish a Service Fund, such fund to be set aside as an account within the General Fund, in accordance to the provisions of ORC 3315.15.

• ROLL CALL:

Mr. Gilbride _____ Mr. Kahoe _____ Mr. Suchocki _____
Ms. Thomas _____ Mr. Virost _____ Mrs. Arendt _____
Mrs. Beshara _____ Mr. Felber _____ Mr. Fortlage _____

Move: James Gilbride Second: Ashley Thomas Status: Passed

Yes: James Virost, James Gilbride, Gary Suchocki, Jacquelyn Arendt, Russ Fortlage, Robert Felber, Mike Kahoe, Ashley Thomas, Bobbie Beshara

IX. Resolution #2023-1 3 ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

(Items A. through V. may be handled as one motion.)

A. General Counsel:

Authorize the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center to retain as general counsel the law firms of Fisher and Phillips LLP, Pepple & Waggoner, Ltd., and Squire Patton Boggs LLP.

2023-1 3 (1)

B. Construction Related Counsel:

Authorize Cuyahoga Valley Career Center to retain as construction related counsel The Riley Law Firm, LLC.

2023-1 3 (2)

C. CVCC Ad Hoc Committees:

Approve Committees of Board Members, who shall, when specifically charged to do so by the Board, conduct studies, make recommendations to the Board, and act in an advisory capacity, but shall not take action on behalf of the Board; committees shall consist of no more than four (4) members; members shall be appointed by the President; each Board Committee shall

be convened by a Chairperson who shall report for the Committee; as approved by the Board of Education, and recommended by the Superintendent.

2023-1 3 (3)

D. Organizational Meeting President Pro Tempore:

Approve Board President to serve as President Pro Tempore during the 2024 January Organizational meeting. If sitting President's term expires prior to Organizational meeting, the Vice President will serve as President Pro Tempore. If both the President and Vice President terms expire, the selection of President Pro Tempore will take place during the December Board meeting.

2023-1 3 (4)

E. Dispense with Reading of Board Minutes:

Authorize that the reading of the Board Minutes be dispensed with as these are made available in advance of Board meetings.

2023-1 3 (5)

F. Board Participation in Meetings:

Authorize to continue Board Member participation in regional, state, and national meetings, directed toward achieving the Board's goals and objectives. Members of the Board of Education are encouraged to be actively involved in these areas. The Superintendent is expected to provide information and to assist members of the Board of Education in the pursuance of the District Goals, as recommended by the Board of Education.

2023-1 3 (6)

G. Local, Regional, State, and National Organization Participation:

Approve the continuing District participation in local, regional, state, and national organizations which support the goals and purposes of the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center consistent with appropriation levels and in keeping with the Purchasing Policy of the District.

2023-1 3 (7)

H. Fiscal Procedures:

WHEREAS, in order to provide for the prompt transactions of fiscal affairs for 2023, it is necessary that authority be granted to the fiscal officer to proceed with related functions in this regard, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center that the Treasurer be authorized to perform the following functions during 2023:

1. Invest funds, whenever practical as permitted by law, either in short-term or long-term investments, and to give a report to the Board each month;
2. Provide payments to employees for salaries and expenses, and to suppliers for goods and services within appropriations; and
3. Use a facsimile signature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent and Treasurer do internal appropriation transfers and/or transfers to other funds, as well as cash advances whenever necessary under provisions of the purchasing and other financial policies of the District.

2023-1 3 (8)

I. Prevailing Wage Coordinator:

Pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 4115 of the Ohio Revised Code, it is recommended that Michael McDade, Business Manager, (or the Superintendent's designee) be designated as the school district's Prevailing Wage Coordinator for 2023.

2023-1 3 (9)

J. Board's Suspension Hearing Officer:

It is recommended that Marcy Green, Assistant Superintendent, (or the Superintendent's designee) be designated as the school district's Board's Suspension Hearing Officer for 2023.

2023-1 3 (10)

K. Title IX Coordinator:

Per the requirements of Title IX, the administration recommends the appointment of Marcy Green, Assistant Superintendent and Michael McDade, Business Manager, (or the Superintendent's designee) as the Title IX Coordinator(s) for the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center for 2023.

2023-1 3 (11)

L. AHERA and Safety Coordinator:

Pursuant to the requirements of Public Law 101-236, it is recommended that Michael McDade, Business Manager, (or the Superintendent's designee) be designated as the school district AHERA and Safety Coordinator for 2023.

2023-1 3 (12)

M. Title VI Coordinator:

Per the requirements of Title VI, the administration recommends the appointment of Marcy Green, Assistant Superintendent and Michael McDade, Business Manager, (or the Superintendent's designee) as the Title VI Coordinator(s) for Cuyahoga Valley Career Center for 2023.

2023-1 3 (13)

N. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973/ADA:

Per the requirements of Section 504/ADA, the administration recommends the appointment of Michael McDade, Business Manager, (or the Superintendent's designee) as the Section 504/ADA Coordinator for the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center for 2023.

2023-1 3 (14)

O. Participation in State and Federal Grants:

Approve Cuyahoga Valley Career Center's participation in all state and federal programs and grants requiring Board approval including, but not limited to, Carl D. Perkins, High Schools That Work, Federal Pell and Direct Loans.

2023-1 3 (15)

P. Drug Free Compliance Officer:

It is recommended that the Superintendent, David Mangas, shall be designated Compliance Officer and shall establish whatever programs and procedures are necessary to meet the federal certification requirements but which also comply or do not interfere with collectively-bargained agreements (Drug-Free Workplace Policy #3122.01/page 1 of 1 - Professional Staff), as recommended by the Superintendent.

2023-1 3 (16)

Q. Expulsion Hearing Officer:

It is recommended that the Assistant Superintendent, Marcy Green, (or the Superintendent's designee) be designated as the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center's Expulsion Hearing Officer for 2023.

2023-1 3 (17)

R. Appeal Hearing Officer:

It is recommended that the Superintendent, David Mangas, (or the Superintendent's designee) be designated as the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center's Appeal Hearing Officer for 2023.

2023-1 3 (18)

S. Superintendent to Accept Resignations:

It is recommended that the Superintendent, David Mangas, accept resignations, which have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session. Upon approval by this Board, such resignations shall be deemed irrevocable after the Superintendent's acceptance.

2023-1 3 (19)

T. Superintendent to Make Offers of Employment:

It is recommended to authorize the Superintendent, David Mangas, during periods when this Board is not in session, to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or non-teaching positions on behalf of this Board, and to acknowledge acceptance of such offers on behalf of this Board, subject to approval by this Board; provided however, that upon approval by this Board, the employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the Superintendent's offer.

Nothing in this resolution shall require the Board of Education to employ or continue to employ an individual who has not provided a criminal records check satisfactory to the Board or who has not satisfied any other prerequisite to employment created by law or Board policy.

The authorization provided by this resolution shall (remain in effect until withdrawn by formal action of this Board) commence on January 12, 2023 and remain in effect through January 11, 2024.

2023-1 3 (20)

U. Long-Term Substitutes for Certified Positions:

Authorize the Superintendent to employ Long-Term Substitutes for Certified positions when certificate/license, state boards, or other circumstances require an industry-trained professional to deliver instruction. The employment will be at Step 0-A of the Teacher Salary Schedule and be considered when the leave is greater than 10 days.

2023-1 3 (21)

V. Long-Term Substitutes for Classified Exempt Positions:

Authorize the Superintendent to employ Long-Term Substitutes for Classified Exempt Positions when circumstances require an industry-trained professional to execute essential duties. The employment will be at Step 0, plus stipend, on the Classified Exempt Salary Schedule Treasurer's Assistant/Administrative Assistant 260 Days of the Administrative, Support and Classified Exempt Employees Compensation and Fringe Benefit Plan and be considered when the leave is greater than 10 days.

2023-1 3 (22)

• ROLL CALL:

Mr. Kahoe _____ Mr. Suchocki _____ Ms. Thomas _____
Mr. Virost _____ Mrs. Arendt _____ Mrs. Beshara _____
Mr. Felber _____ Mr. Fortlage _____ Mr. Gilbride _____

Move: Jacquelyn Arendt Second: Mike Kahoe Status: Passed

Yes: James Virost, James Gilbride, Gary Suchocki, Jacquelyn Arendt,
Russ Fortlage, Robert Felber, Mike Kahoe, Ashley Thomas, Bobbie
Beshara

X. ADJOURN

5:45 p.m.

• ROLL CALL:

Mr. Suchocki _____ Ms. Thomas _____ Mr. Virost _____
Mrs. Arendt _____ Mrs. Beshara _____ Mr. Felber _____
Mr. Fortlage _____ Mr. Gilbride _____ Mr. Kahoe _____

Move: Mike Kahoe Second: Bobbie Beshara Status: Passed

Yes: James Virost, James Gilbride, Gary Suchocki, Jacquelyn Arendt,
Russ Fortlage, Robert Felber, Mike Kahoe, Ashley Thomas, Bobbie
Beshara

Next meetings:

Regular Meetings:

* Thursday, January 12, 2023 immediately following Organizational
Meeting in Conference Room A.

* Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 6:30 PM in Conference Room A.

*APPROVED:

Gary Suchocki

*ATTESTED:

Russ Fortlage

*DATE:

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