

April 11, 2024 at 9:45 a.m.

The Kelleys Island Board of Education met in organizational/regular sessions for the transaction of business. The following members responded to roll call: Mrs. Debra Haig, Mrs. Kathleen Phinney, Miss Abbey Rosado, and Mrs. [Nataliya Makarova](#) Skeans.

Deb Haig, Board President, led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 24-31  
Agenda
- It was moved by Nataliya Skeans and seconded by Kathey Phinney to approve the agenda plus noted additions.  
Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Phinney, yes; Rosado, yes; Haig, yes.  
Motion Passed.
- 24-32  
Minutes
- It was moved by Nataliya Skeans and seconded by Abbey Rosado to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2024 regular meeting as presented.  
Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Rosado, yes; Phinney, yes; Haig, yes.  
Motion passed.
- 24-33  
Treas report
- It was moved by Kathey Phinney and seconded by Deb Haig to approve the financial reports for March 2024 as presented.  
Roll Call: Phinney, yes; Haig, yes; Rosado, yes; Skeans, yes.  
Motion passed.
- 24-34  
Donations
- It was moved by Deb Haig and seconded by Nataliya Skeans to accept the following donations:  
Yako Real Estate LLC - Field Station sponsorship \$100.00  
Roll Call: Haig, yes; Skeans, yes; Phinney, yes; Rosado, yes.  
Motion Passed.
- 24-35  
FY24 Approp  
Inc/changes
- It was moved by Kathey Phinney and seconded by Deb Haig to approve the following revenue/appropriation changes for FY24:  
Increase revenue account 451-3219 Connectivity Funding to \$1,997.52  
(increasing the revenue account by \$151.42  
Increase appropriation account 451-2200-400 to \$1,997.52 (increasing the appropriation account by \$151.42  
Set revenue account 019-2200-9024 Hancock Wood Grant at \$2,960.00  
Set appropriation account 019-2200-9024 Purchased Services at \$2,960.00  
Set revenue account 019-2200-9924 Erie Co Comm Foundation at \$3,164.00  
Set appropriation account 019-2200-400-9924 Purchased Services at \$1,664.00  
Set appropriation account 019-2200-500-9924 Supplies at \$1,500.00  
Increase revenue account 022-1111 to \$73,772.38 (increasing the revenue account by \$772.38  
Increase revenue account 022-3131 to \$8,640.41 (increasing the revenue account by \$890.41  
Increase appropriation account 022-7600-900 to \$80,977.79 (increasing the appropriation account by \$1,662.79  
Roll Call: Phinney, yes; Haig, yes; Rosado, yes; Skeans, yes.  
Motion Passed.
- KI Educator Report:
- Students installed the time capsule at the police station on April 4th! It was such a cool opportunity to be included in and we really appreciate Chief Bartus thinking of us!
  - Students (grades 4-8) and staff will travel to Camp Mary Orton on Thursday April 11th for a day of team building activities.
  - The March newsletter was printed and distributed on March 21st. We have received really positive feedback!
  - State testing begins this month. The dates are as follows on Wednesdays and Thursdays of the respective weeks: a. ELA testing: April 17th and 18th b. Science testing: April 24th and 25th c. Math testing: May 1st and May 2nd.
  - Many students submitted wildlife art featuring native Ohio animal and plant species into the Erie Metroparks Wildlife Art Contest.
  - We have 3 dates this month planned in collaboration with Ms. Jackie for field station lessons. We are so excited to begin our study of phenology with her!
  - Students will perform at a Spring Music Program in May!

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Jackie Taylor, Field Station Director, shared the following:

- Field Station Fridays/Phenology Monitoring Project-the study of biological events that change in response to their environment. The field station will be working with local and national organizations to help collect the best data and the best place to enter the data. Partners are 13abc Toledo Meteorologist Derek Witt, National Pollinator Network. The schedule and lessons were shared.
- Nature Camp schedule and lessons are being developed.
- the Field Station has received many sponsorships from local vendors/businesses.
- there are two individuals registered for the Junior Naturalist program
- Project Wet Educator Certification and workshop-water education today is dedicated to solving critical environmental challenges by teaching the world about water. This is done by providing hands-on, science-based water education resources to formal and non-formal educators around the world. These resources encourage responsible environmental stewardship and promote meaningful action to address environmental challenges, climate change, social justice and sustainability.
- a grant from the Erie County Community Foundation has been written and received in the amount of \$3,164 to support the Project Wet Workshop
- a grant from Hancock-Wood Community Fund has been written and received in the amount of \$2,960 to support transportation expenses
- the schedule of summer events and programs was shared

Ben Ohlemacher, Superintendent, shared the following information:

- some of the projects listed on the facilities update have been completed or scheduled. The generator replacement is one of our top priorities.
- there is one graduate for this year. A graduation program will be developed based on the graduating senior's requests.
- the first presentation of the 2024-2025 school calendar was presented and reviewed.
- with the resignation of the Technology Coordinator, ideas are being developed for technology for next year.

It was moved by Nataliya Skeans and seconded by Abbey Rosado to approve the following Field Station Sponsorship levels:

\$100.00 Walleye

\$300.00 Yellow Warbler

\$500.00 Marbled Salamander

\$1,000.00 Monarch Butterfly

Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Rosado, yes; Phinney, yes; Haig, yes.

Motion Passed.

24-36  
Field Station  
sponsorships

It was moved by Kathey Phinney and seconded by Abbey Rosado to approve a supplemental contract with Lori Hoffman as Summer Tutor. Salary to be \$46.10 per hour not to exceed 15 hours.

Roll Call: Phinney, yes; Rosado, yes; Skeans, yes; Haig, yes.

Motion Passed.

24-37  
Personnel

It was moved by Nataliya Skeans and seconded by Deb Haig to approve the 2024-2025 Multi-Services Agreement with North Point Educational Service Center as presented.

Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Haig, yes; Phinney, yes; Rosado, yes.

Motion Passed.

24-38  
FY25 NPESC  
contract

It was moved by Nataliya Skeans and seconded by Kathey Phinney to accept the resignation of Janice Kraus, Technology Coordinator, effective May 31, 2024.

Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Phinney, yes; Rosado, yes; Haig, yes.

Motion Passed.

24-38  
Resignation

It was moved by Deb Haig and seconded by Kathey Phinney to adjourn to executive session to discuss the appointment of public employee or regulated individual.

Roll Call: Haig, yes; Phinney, yes; Rosado, yes; Skeans, yes.

Motion Passed.

24-39  
Executive  
Session

The board adjourned to an executive session at 11:24 a.m.

Deb Haig, Board President, declared the meeting back to regular session at 11:49 a.m.

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24-40  
Adjourn

There being no additional business to come before the board, Deb Haig asked for a motion to adjourn. Nataliya Skeans made that motion, seconded by Kathey Phinney.  
Roll Call: Skeans, yes; Phinney yes; Rosado, yes; Haig, yes.  
Motion passed.

The board adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

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Board President

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Board Treasurer