

**LIBERTY UNION-THURSTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

April 9, 2012 - 7:00 P.M.

Liberty Union District Office

- 1. **ROLL CALL:** Shaun Hochradel _____
 John Hutton _____
 Mike Raver _____
 Shawn Shook _____
 John Walter _____

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **RECOGNITION:
STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Melody Anthony & Brielle Moon**

4. **REFRESHMENTS:** Prepared by the Liberty Union - Thurston Food Services Department

5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS** File: KD (Also BDDH)

All meetings of the board and board-appointed committees are open to the public. Delegations or individuals are welcome at board meetings, subject to the following regulations designed to expedite deliberations and provide for full consideration of problems and questions:

- A. Establish appointment to present communications or petitions to the board three working days before the board meeting.
- B. Submit communications in writing at the time of requesting an appointment so that they may be duplicated and given to board members in the agenda materials.
- C. Limit presentations to 30 minutes with additional time to be granted by a vote of the majority of the Board. Each individual will be allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used.
- D. Only upon the request of the board members will communications from the public be read aloud at the board meetings. These communications will be read by the board president, unless it is in violation of board policy. Such violation will be determined through consultation between the board president or treasurer and the superintendent.
- E. Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name, address, and who they represent. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time of 30 minutes is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. Persons desiring more time should follow the procedure of the Board to be placed on the regular agenda. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board.
- F. The board will take questions and problems under advisement and issue responses after due deliberations, usually at the next meeting.
- G. If questions or problems relate to personnel, the Board will go into executive session to receive such presentations.

Board agendas are available to all those who attend board meetings. The section on the agenda for public participation shall be indicated. Noted in each agenda shall be a short paragraph outlining the board policy on public participation at board meetings.

[Adoption date:	January 10, 2000]	[Revised: October 9, 2000]	[Revised: April 9, 2001]
LEGAL REFS.:	ORC 121.22 3313.20	CROSS REFS.:	BCE, Board Committees BD, School Board Meetings BDDB, Agenda Format BDDC, Agenda Preparation and Dissemination

6. **DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

**LIBERTY UNION-THURSTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

March 12, 2012 - 7:00 P.M.

Liberty Union District Office

ROLL CALL: Shaun Hochradel _____ present _____

John Hutton	<u>present</u>
Mike Raver	<u>present</u>
Shawn Shook	<u>present</u>
John Walter	<u>present</u>

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION:

- A. ALL-OHIO SWIMMER: Wyatt Henderson**
- B. ALL-OHIO SWIMMER: Mitchell Dodd**
- C. STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Jay Azeltine & Chase Runyon**
- D. SEVENTH-GRADE GIRLS’ BASKETBALL TEAM: MSL CHAMPIONS: Aisha Kuhns, Coach**
- E. EIGHTH-GRADE GIRLS’ BASKETBALL TEAM: MSL CHAMPIONS: James Peck, Coach**
- F. JV GIRLS’ BASKETBALL TEAM: MSL CHAMPIONS: Anthony Manette, Coach**
- G. VARSITY GIRLS’ BASKETBALL TEAM: MSL CHAMPIONS: David May, Coach**

REFRESHMENTS: Prepared by the Liberty Union - Thurston Food Services Department

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

File: KD (Also BDDH)

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

019-12 Motion by Shawn Shook, seconded by John Walter, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Liberty Union-Thurston Board of Education held on February 13, 2012, as printed. Hochradel, yes; Hutton, yes; Raver, yes; Shook, yes; Walter, yes. Motion carried.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

020-12 Motion by John Hutton, seconded by Shaun Hochradel, to approve Monthly Financial items as stated above. Hutton, yes; Raver, yes; Shook, yes; Walter, yes; Hochradel, yes. Motion carried.

- A. TREASURER’S FINANCIAL REPORT**
 - 1. MONTHLY FUNDS BALANCE**
 - 2. RECEIPT OF FUNDS**
 - 3. STATUS OF APPROPRIATIONS**
 - 4. MONTHLY BANK RECONCILIATION**
- B. BILLS**
- C. STUDENT ACTIVITY MONTHLY APPROPRIATIONS**

<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
018	\$ 1,243.70
200	3,223.76
300	20,074.48
Total Changes	\$24,541.94

D. DONATIONS

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Donor</u>	<u>Fund</u>
\$ 438.12	Jump Rope for Heart	Elementary Principal
500.00	Booster Bingo	H S Cheer
500.00	Booster Bingo	Girls Basketball
132.00	Booster	Cross Country
805.00	Miscellaneous	Vocal
\$2,375.12	Total	

NEW BUSINESS: FINANCIAL

021-12 Motion by John Walter, seconded by John Hutton, to approve the New Business - Financial item(s) listed below. Raver, yes; Shook, yes; Walter, yes; Hochradel, yes; Hutton, yes. Motion carried.

- A. RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:** O.R.C. 5705.34 requires the Board of Education pass and file a “Resolution Accepting the Rates & Amounts” as set by the Budget Commission, with the County Auditor no later than April 1, 2012.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE FAIRFIELD COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

(CITY, VILLAGE, OR LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION)

ORC 5705.34 - 5705.35

WHEREAS, This Board of Education of the **Liberty Union-Thurston L.S.D**, Fairfield County, Ohio, in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing July 1st, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Commission of Fairfield County, Ohio has certified its action thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within, the ten mill limitation; therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the **Liberty Union-Thurston L.S.D**, Fairfield County, Ohio, that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted; and be it further

RESOLVED, that there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of the **Liberty Union-Thurston L.S.D** the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as follows:

Authority: **LIBERTY UNION LSD**

TAX YEAR 2011- Collection 2012 - FY 2013

SCHEDULE A SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY THE FAIRFIELD COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES							
FUND	FY Amount Requested of Budget Commission Inside/Outside	FY Amount to be derived from Levies Inside 10 Mill Limitation	FY Amount Approved by Budget Commission Outside 10 Mill Limitation	County Auditor's Estimate of Tax Rate to be Levied			
				Inside 10 Mill Limit FY	Inside 10 Mill Limit TY	Outside 10 Mill Limit FY	Outside 10 Mill Limit TY
Type	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7
General Fund / Current Expense	3,354,500	710,000	2,550,000		4.80		32.90
Bond Retirement	1,098,300		1,125,000				7.40
Permanent Improvement	80,300		75,300				0.50
TOTAL	4,533,100	710,000	3,750,300	0.00	4.80	0.00	40.80

SCHEDULE B LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES			
FUND	Maximum Rate Authorized to be Levied	TY County Auditor's Estimate of Yield of Levy	FY County Auditor's Estimate of Yield of Levy (Carry to Schedule A, Column 3)
GENERAL FUND: General Fund / Current Expense Levy authorized by voters on 01/01/1976 for a period not to exceed CONT years: Expires TY - x	21.90		
General Fund / Current Expense Levy authorized by voters on 11/08/1977 for a period not to exceed			

CONT years: Expires TY- x	7.00	2,550,000	2,550,000
General Fund / Current Expense Levy authorized by voters on 11/05/1985 for a period not to exceed CONT years: Expires TY - x	4.00		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMIT	32.90	2,550,000	2,550,000
SPECIAL LEVY FUNDS:			
Permanent Improvement Levy authorized by voters on 03/04/2008 for a period not to exceed CONT years Expires TV-x	0.50	75,300	75,300
Bond Retirement Levy authorized by voters on 03/04/2008 for a period not to exceed 28 years: Expires TY - 2035	2.90	1,125,000	1,125,000
Bond Retirement Levy authorized by voters on 05/07/2002 for a period not to exceed 28 years: Expires TY 2029	4.50		

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Board be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Auditor of Fairfield County.

B. NATURAL GAS PURCHASE RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL’S (“MEC”) NATURAL GAS PROGRAM FOR A FIVE YEAR PERIOD UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE NATURAL GAS SALES AND SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CONSTELLATION NEWENERGY - GAS DIVISION, LLC NEGOTIATED BY THE OHIO SCHOOL CONSORTIUM AND AUTHORIZING RATIFICATION OF THE Agreement to Terminate the Full Requirements Natural Gas Sales & Service Agreement WITH ENERGYUSA-TPC CORP.

WHEREAS, the School District is a member of the Metropolitan Educational Council (“MEC”), a body authorized by state statute to aggregate purchasing needs of schools and related nonprofit educational entities so as to take advantage of economies of scale when purchasing essential products and services; and

WHEREAS, MEC has joined with other school councils of governments and major school districts (collectively known as the “Ohio School Consortium”) to obtain more favorable terms for natural gas service by negotiating for gas service on behalf of 150 school districts and public libraries; and

WHEREAS, the School District now purchases its natural gas service pursuant to the existing *Full Requirements Natural Gas Sales & Service Agreement* with EnergyUSA-TPC Corp. negotiated by the Ohio School Consortium, and that agreement is to be terminated with outstanding gas hedges to be liquidated and replaced by a new, more favorable natural gas sales and service agreement with Constellation NewEnergy - Gas Division, LLC (“Constellation NewEnergy”); and

WHEREAS, this School District by its membership in MEC may continue to participate via the natural gas sales and service program arranged by the Ohio School Consortium with Constellation NewEnergy under the terms and conditions of the new *Natural Gas Sales & Service Agreement*, attached hereto, if the School District ratifies both the new agreement and the *Agreement to Terminate the Full Requirements Natural Gas Sales & Service Agreements with a Mutual Release of Claims*, a copy of which is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that it is in the School District’s best interest to terminate the existing gas supply arrangement with EnergyUSA-TPC Corp. and enter into the proposed natural gas supply arrangement with Constellation NewEnergy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE Liberty Union - Thurston Local SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF Fairfield, STATE OF OHIO, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Education of this School District does hereby elect to terminate the existing *Full Requirements Natural Gas Sales & Service Agreement* with EnergyUSA-TPC Corp. in accordance with the terms and conditions of the *Agreement to Terminate the Full Requirements Natural Gas Sales & Service Agreements with a Mutual Release of Claims*.

Section 2. The Board of Education of this School District does hereby elect to continue to participate in MEC’s natural gas program in accordance with the term and conditions of the *Natural Gas Sales & Service Agreement* with Constellation NewEnergy - Gas Division, LLC.

Section 3. This Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent or his designated alternate to execute the attached ratification on behalf of the Board of Education for this School District.

C. PURCHASED SERVICE AGREEMENT(S)

SERVICE PROVIDER: **SchoolPointe**
 CONTRACT PERIOD: 7/1/12 - 6/30/14
 SERVICE PROVIDED: Web Page Hosting (libertyunion.org)
 COST: \$3,901 per Year; Total of \$7,802

D. 2012 REVISED APPROPRIATIONS

LIBERTY UNION-THURSTON SCHOOLS				
FY 2012 REVISED APPROPRIATIONS				03/12/12
	<u>GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES</u>			
<u>FUND CLASS/NAME</u>	<u>FUND NO./SCC</u>	<u>TOTAL APPROP.</u>	<u>ADJ.</u>	<u>NEW APPROP.</u>
<u>General Fund Class</u>				
General Fund	001	\$12,400,000.00	\$0.00	\$12,400,000.00
<u>Special Revenue Class</u>				
Public School Support	018	82,433.47	0.00	82,433.47
Local Rotary	019	249.85	0.00	249.85
Classroom Fac. Maint.	034	573,373.24	0.00	573,373.24
Athletics	300	431,001.40	0.00	431,001.40
Data Conn.	451	5,400.00	0.00	5,400.00
Ed Jobs	504	315,850.58	0.00	315,850.58
Race to the Top	506-9012	41,775.93	441.00	42,216.93
OPAPP-H.S.	506-9120	24,545.45	0.00	24,545.45
OPAPP-ELEM.	506-9130	0.00	11,636.36	11,636.36
IDEA PART B	516	228,084.43	0.00	228,084.43
TITLE II D	533	0.00	1,069.40	1,069.40
Title I	572	178,813.34	(2,580.09)	176,233.25
Title II A	590	94,471.04	14,757.41	109,228.45
EPA	599	<u>42,704.48</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>42,704.48</u>
Total Special Revenue Class		\$2,018,703.21	\$25,324.08	\$2,044,027.29
<u>Debt Service Fund Class</u>				
Bond Retirement Fund	002	\$1,110,428.48	\$55,000.00	\$1,165,428.48
<u>Capital Project Fund Class</u>				
Perm. Imp.	003	143,783.62	0.00	143,783.62
Building Fund	004	1,369,850.23	0.00	1,369,850.23
Cl. Build - State	010-9000	171,015.02	0.00	171,015.02
Cl. Build - Local	010-9001	5,597,416.80	0.00	5,597,416.80
<u>Proprietary Fund Types</u>				
<u>Enterprise Fund Class</u>				
Food Service Fund	006	\$520,000.00	\$0.00	\$520,000.00

<u>Internal Service Fund</u>				
Special Rotary Fund	014		\$28,020.75	\$0.00 \$28,020.75
Employee Benefits Fund	024		<u>1,595,704.70</u>	<u>0.00</u> <u>1,595,704.70</u>
Total Internal Services			\$1,623,725.45	\$0.00 1,623,725.45
	<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>			
<u>Trust Fund Class</u>			\$62,190.97	\$0.00 \$62,190.97
Custodial Refresh. Fund	022		<u>140,943.02</u>	<u>0.00</u> <u>140,943.02</u>
Student Activity Fund	200			
			\$203,133.99	\$0.00 \$203,133.99
Total Trust Fund Class				
<u>Agency Funds</u>				
South Central Ins. Cons.	026		<u>\$42,630,807.20</u>	<u>\$0.00</u> <u>\$42,630,807.20</u>
Total Appropriations-All Fund Types			\$67,788,864.00	\$80,324.08 \$67,869,188.08

NEW BUSINESS - PERSONNEL

022-12 Motion by Shaun Hochradel, seconded by Shawn Shook, to approve the New Business - Personnel items listed below. Shook, yes; Walter, yes; Hochradel, yes; Hutton, yes; Raver, yes. Motion carried.

A. RESIGNATIONS:

- 1) **Debbie Young**, High School Foreign Language Teacher, has submitted her resignation for retirement purposes, effective June 30, 2012.

We thank **Mrs. Young** for her many years of dedicated service to the LU-T School District, and wish her the best in retirement.

- 2) **Alan Young**, Middle School Physical Education Teacher, has submitted his resignation for retirement purposes, effective May 31, 2012.

Mr. Young has requested to be re-hired to the district, effective August 13, 2012. A "Public Hearing" will be held on June 11, 2012, in order to address this re-hire request.

B. SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT POSTIONS - The following candidates were approved for supplemental positions as listed:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Katie (Smolewski) Hoffman	Track (2012)			Volunteer
Jaime Peardon	2012 Var FB Cheer	5	0	\$1,038.92
Jennifer Cooley	2012 JV FB Cheer	6	0	787.06
Mallory James	2012 JrHi FB Cheer	7	0	503.72

C. CERTIFIED SUBSTITUTE LIST: Approved the substitute teacher list for March, 2012, as nominated by the Fairfield County Superintendent.

NEW BUSINESS OTHER:

023-12 Motion by John Hutton, seconded by John Walter, to approved the Other New Business. Walter, yes; Hochradel, yes; Hutton, yes; Raver, yes; Shook, yes. Motion carried.

FFA CAMP: Approved FFA Advisors, Chris Turner and Jena Friesner, to take high school student FFA members to FFA camp this summer, as follows:

- Dates: June 25 - 29, 2012
- Location: Camp Muskingum
- Transportation: School Buses
- Chaperones: FFA Advisors, Camp Staff
- Student Cost: Approximately \$170 per Student
- Board Cost: \$85 for Each Advisor; Total of \$170

INFORMATION

- A. ALTERNATE-POWERED SCHOOL BUS GRANT:** A grant program to defray the costs of school bus purchases for propane-powered buses was discussed. Members of the Transportation Committee will be invited to participate in upcoming webinars on this topic, including U.S. Department of Energy staff, in order to become more informed about the pros and cons of using propane or compressed natural gas technology to fuel school buses.
- B. EASTLAND CAREER & TECHNICAL SCHOOLS:** Staff from Eastland Career & Technical Schools and LU-T students, who attend there, presented information regarding career program opportunities for Liberty Union High School students.
- C. "RACE TO THE TOP" COMMITTEE:** Members of the District Race to the Top Committee provided an update.
- D. CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE:** There was an update on the progress of the high school renovation, new middle school and district office construction.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: An Executive Session was requested, for the purpose of completing the performance evaluation of the District Superintendent.

GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 024-12** Motion by [John Hutton](#), seconded by [Shaun Hochradel](#), to go into Executive Session at 8:56 p.m. Hochradel, yes; Hutton, yes; Raver, yes; Shook, yes; Walter, yes. Motion carried.
- 025-12 RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion by [John Walter](#), seconded by [Shawn Shook](#), to return from Executive Session at 9:20 p.m. Hutton, yes; Raver, yes; Shook, yes; Walter, yes; Hochradel, yes. Motion carried.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next Board of Education Meeting will be held on **Monday, April 9, 2012**, at **7:00** p.m. at the Liberty Union **Board of Education Office, 1108 S. Main Street.**

ADJOURN:

- 026-12** Motion by [Shaun Hochradel](#), seconded by [John Hutton](#), to adjourn at 9:21 p.m. Raver, yes; Shook, yes; Walter, yes; Hochradel, yes; Hutton, yes. Motion carried.

**LIBERTY UNION-THURSTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING**

Saturday, March 24, 2012 District Office 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Shaun Hochradel	<u> present </u>
John Hutton	<u> present </u>
Mike Raver	<u> present </u>
Shawn Shook	<u> present </u>
John Walter	<u> present </u>

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

File: KD (Also BDDH)

EXECUTIVE SESSION - An Executive Session is requested for the purpose of interviewing elementary school principal candidates.

- 027-12** Motion by [John Hutton](#), seconded by [John Walter](#), to go into Executive Session at 9:03 a.m. Hochradel, yes; Hutton, yes; Raver, yes; Shook, yes; Walter, yes. Motion carried.
- 028-12** Motion by [Shaun Hochradel](#), seconded by [John Walter](#), to return from Executive Session at 12:31 p.m. Hutton, yes; Raver, yes; Shook, yes; Walter, yes; Hochradel, yes. Motion carried.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next Board of Education Meeting will be held on **Monday, April 9, 2012**, at **7:00** p.m. at the Liberty Union **Board of Education Office, 1108 S. Main Street.**

ADJOURN:

029-12 Motion by John Hutton, seconded by Shawn Shook, to adjourn at 12:32 p.m. Raver, yes; Shook, yes; Walter, yes; Hochradel, yes; Hutton, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Liberty Union-Thurston Board of Education held on March 12, 2012, and the Special Meeting held on March 24, 2012, as printed above. Hochradel, _____; Hutton, _____; Raver, _____; Shook, _____; Walter, _____.

7. MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A. TREASURER’S FINANCIAL REPORT

- 1. MONTHLY FUNDS BALANCE**
- 2. RECEIPT OF FUNDS**
- 3. STATUS OF APPROPRIATIONS**
- 4. MONTHLY BANK RECONCILIATION**

B. BILLS

C. STUDENT ACTIVITY MONTHLY APPROPRIATIONS

<u>FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
018	\$ 6,890.18
200	3,610.64
300	56,728.00
Total Changes	\$67,228.82

D. DONATIONS

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Donor</u>	<u>Fund</u>
\$2,440.00	Misc: Mathathon / St Judes	MS Principal
1,825.83	Misc: Pennies for Patients	MS Principal
400.00	HS Principal’s Fund	Nat’l Honor Society
1,090.00	Banquet - Misc	FFA
435.00	Anonymous	Outdoor Ed
149.28	Kroger	HS Yearbook
795.00	Misc	Vocal
500.00	Booster Bingo	Boys Basketball
500.00	Booster Bingo	Softball
500.00	Booster Bingo	Baseball
7,422.40	Boosters	Softball
490.00	Boosters	Baseball
\$16,547.51	Total	

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve Monthly Financial items as stated above. Hutton, _____; Raver, _____; Shook, _____; Walter, _____; Hochradel, _____.

8. NEW BUSINESS: FINANCIAL

A. PURCHASED SERVICE AGREEMENT(S)

- 1) **SERVICE PROVIDER: Valuation Engineers, Inc.**
CONTRACT PERIOD: Through Project Completion
SERVICE PROVIDED: Fixed Asset Appraisal
Includes: Appraisal Report of Insurance & Accounting Values
 Tagging of Items Valued at \$500 or More
 Supplemental Accounting Reports (GASB 34)
COST: \$4,770
 Recommend approval.

- 2) **SERVICE PROVIDER: J. L. Uhrig, Inc.**
CONTRACT PERIOD: Three Years: Through June 30, 2012
SERVICE PROVIDED: GAAP Conversion (FY 12, 13 & 14) of Annual Financial Report for the South Central Ohio Insurance Consortium
 Actual Hours, not to Exceed \$2,800 for **Each** Fiscal Year
COST: Total Cost Paid by SCOIC
NOTE:
 Recommend approval.

- 3) **SERVICE PROVIDER: Fairfield Medical Center**
CONTRACT PERIOD: August, 2012 - June, 2013
SERVICE PROVIDED: Physical Therapy for Special Needs Students, per IEP
COST: Physical Therapist - \$71.51 per Hour
 Physical Therapist Assistant - \$58.45 per Hour
 Recommend approval.

B. 2012 REVISED APPROPRIATIONS

LIBERTY UNION-THURSTON SCHOOLS				
FY 2012 REVISED APPROPRIATIONS				04/09/12
	<u>GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES</u>			
<u>FUND CLASS/NAME</u>	<u>FUND NO./SCC</u>	<u>TOTAL APPROP.</u>	<u>ADJ.</u>	<u>NEW APPROP.</u>
<u>General Fund Class</u>				
General Fund	001	\$12,400,000.00	\$0.00	\$12,400,000.00
<u>Special Revenue Class</u>				
Public School Support	018	82,433.47	0.00	82,433.47
Local Rotary	019	249.85	0.00	249.85
Classroom Fac. Maint.	034	573,373.24	0.00	573,373.24
Athletics	300	431,001.40	0.00	431,001.40
Data Conn.	451	5,400.00	0.00	5,400.00
Ed Jobs	504	315,850.58	0.00	315,850.58
Race to the Top	506-9012	42,216.93	0.00	42,216.93
OPAPP-H.S.	506-9120	24,545.45	0.00	24,545.45
OPAPP-ELEM.	506-9130	11,636.36	0.00	11,636.36
IDEA PART B	516	228,084.43	0.00	228,084.43
TITLE II D	533	1,069.40	0.00	1,069.40
Title I	572	176,233.25	479.76	176,713.01
Title II A	590	109,228.45	14,843.83	94,384.62
EPA	599	<u>42,704.48</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>42,704.48</u>
Total Special Revenue Class		\$2,044,027.29	(\$14,374.07)	\$2,029,663.22

<u>Debt Service Fund Class</u>					
Bond Retirement Fund	002		\$1,165,428.48	\$0.00	\$1,165,428.48
<u>Capital Project Fund Class</u>					
Perm. Imp.	003		143,783.62	0.00	143,783.62
Building Fund	004		1,369,850.23	0.00	1,369,850.23
Cl. Build - State	010-9000		171,015.02	0.00	171,015.02
Cl. Build - Local	010-9001		5,597,416.80	0.00	5,597,416.80
<u>Proprietary Fund Types</u>					
<u>Enterprise Fund Class</u>					
Food Service Fund	006		\$520,000.00	\$0.00	\$520,000.00
<u>Internal Service Fund</u>					
Special Rotary Fund	014		\$28,020.75	\$0.00	\$28,020.75
Employee Benefits Fund	024		<u>1,595,704.70</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,595,704.70</u>
Total Internal Services			\$1,623,725.45	\$0.00	1,623,725.45
<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>					
Trust Fund Class			\$62,190.97	\$0.00	\$62,190.97
Custodial Refresh. Fund	022		<u>140,943.02</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>140,943.02</u>
Student Activity Fund	200				
			\$203,133.99	\$0.00	\$203,133.99
Total Trust Fund Class					
<u>Agency Funds</u>					
South Central Ins. Cons.	026		\$42,630,807.20	\$0.00	\$42,630,807.20
Total Appropriations-All Fund Types			\$67,869,188.08	\$14,374.07	\$67,854,814.01

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the New Business - Financial item(s) listed above. Raver, _____; Shook, _____; Walter, _____; Hochradel, _____; Hutton, _____.

9. NEW BUSINESS - PERSONNEL

A. CERTIFIED SALARY NOTICES: Recommend approval.

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Byers, Michelle	MA + 30	11	Sal Not - Continuing	62,020.09
Calderwood, Bonny	MA + 30	25 (31)	Sal Not - Continuing	\$73,353.71
Closson, Patty	MA + 30	8	Sal Not - Continuing	56,353.28
Damron, Jeannie	MA + 30	15 (17)	Sal Not - Continuing	69,575.84
Farmer, Tracy	MA + 30	10	Sal Not - Continuing	60,131.15
Feyko, Lisa	MA + 30	11	Sal Not - Continuing	62,020.09
Kaper, Angie	MA + 30	15 (17)	Sal Not - Continuing	69,575.84
Laski, Jennifer	MA + 30	6	Sal Not - Continuing	52,575.41
Leach, Kelly	MA	15	Sal Not - Continuing	58,242.22
Machinski, Dee	MA + 30	18	Sal Not - Continuing	71,464.78
McCarthy, Tabitha	MA + 30	15 (13)	Sal Not - Continuing	65,797.97
Owens, Ron	MA + 30	25	Sal Not - Continuing	73,353.71
Strauch, Kim	MA + 30	18 (24)	Sal Not - Continuing	71,464.78
Walter, Karen	MA + 30	25 (30)	Sal Not - Continuing	73,353.71
Weaver, Bev	MA + 30	15 (17)	Sal Not - Continuing	69,575.84

Amiet, Julie	MA + 30	18 (23)	Sal Not - Continuing	71,464.78
Bruning, Danielle	MA + 30	18 (22)	Sal Not - Continuing	71,464.78
Bunting, Nikole	MA + 30	13	Sal Not - Continuing	65,797.97
Farmer, Kristi	5 YR	15	Sal Not - Continuing	53,992.11
Harris, Tammy	MA + 30	15	Sal Not - Continuing	69,575.84
Mangette, Renee	MA + 30	15 (16)	Sal Not - Continuing	69,575.84
Miller, Debbie	MA + 30	25 (33)	Sal Not - Continuing	73,353.71
Muck, Joe	MA + 30	11	Sal Not - Continuing	62,020.09
Rodriguez, Erin	MA + 30	7	Sal Not - Continuing	54,464.34
Smith, Paula	MA + 30	11	Sal Not - Continuing	62,020.09
Collopy, Renae	MA + 30	6	Sal Not - Continuing	44,075.16
Duplinsky, Tom	MA + 30	25(32)	Sal Not - Continuing	73,353.71
Howdyshell, Debbie	MA + 30	15	Sal Not - Continuing	69,575.84
Lavender, Holly	MA + 30	10	Sal Not - Continuing	60,131.15
Poston, Cathy	MA + 30	10	Sal Not - Continuing	50,371.15
Beery, Mindy	MA	4	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	40,926.96
Brenner, Darlene	MA	15	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	58,242.22
Brown, Kathy	MA	6	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	44,075.19
Lauvray, Jennifer	MA	8	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	47,223.42
Linscott, Angie	BA	4	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	36,519.44
Pollack, Lauren	BA	5	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	37,778.24
Savage, Kelley	BA	2	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	34,000.86
Bethel, Ben	MA	9	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	48,797.53
Driscoll, Megan	5 Year	5	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	39,825.08
Fisher, Emily	BA	4	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	36,519.44
Johnson, Ben	5 Yr	6	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	41,241.79
King, Kevin	MA	2	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	37,778.74
Osborne, Trent	5 Year	15 (16)	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	53,992.11
Tambaro, Vitt	5 Year	4	Sal Not 2-yr: 11-12 & 12-13	38,408.38
Butler, David	Treas	Retired	Sal Not: 3-yr: 11-12, 12-13 & 13-14	97,325.41
Mathews, Paul	Supt		Sal Not: 3-yr: 11-12, 12-13 & 13-14	110,995.56
Miller, Ed	HS Prin		Sal Not: 3-yr: 11-12, 12-13 & 13-14	94,963.59
Turner, Tim	MS Prin		Sal Not: 2-Yr: 11-12 & 12-13	79,229.45

B. TWO-YEAR (2012-2013 and 2013-2014) CERTIFIED CONTRACTS - The following employees are recommended for a two-year contract:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Buskirk, Wendy	MA + 30	6	52,575.41
Lehman, Courtney	BA	3	35,260.15
Motts, Laura	BA	3	35,260.15
Reckziegel, Debbie	MA + 30	7	54,464.34
Alford, Marcus	BA	3	35,260.15
Harnett, Angela	BA	4	36,519.44
James, Mallory	BA	1	32,741.57
Leo, Janice	BA	6	39,038.03
McNally, Joyce	MA + 30	5	50,686.47
Powles, John	5 Yr	7	(5/8) 26,661.56
Ransbottom, Tonya	MA	10	50,371.65
Steffen, Susan	5 Yr	25 (31)	56,825.52
Yates, Kevin	BA	4	36,519.44
Azeltine, Krista	MA + 30	11	62,020.09
Bressler, Brett	5 Yr	15	53,992.11

Factor, Ben	5 Yr	3	36,991.68
Karnofel, Jeff	BA	18 (22)	51,630.94
King, Amanda	MA + 30	3	46,908.60
May, David	5 Yr	11	48,325.30
Miller, Ashleigh	MA + 30	7	54,464.34
Williamson, Seth	BA	3	35,260.15
Matthews, Chris	MA	11	51,945.76

C. ONE-YEAR (2012-2013) CERTIFIED CONTRACTS - The following employees are recommended for a one-year contract:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Washburn, Krystal	BA	0	\$31,482.28
Williamson, Scott	Jr Hi AD	Retired	(1/3) 23,740.90
Shreyer, George	H S AD	Retired	(2/3) 47,505.54
Ashbrook, Candace	MA + 30	Retired	(1/2) 25,068.68
Friesner, Jena	BA	0	31,482.28
Gonzalez, Megan	5 Yr	1	34,158.27
Haines, Andy	MA + 30	Retired	(1/2) 30,065.58
Jacobs, Jerry	5 Yr	13	51,158.71
Johnson, Dan	MA + 30	Retired	52,575.41
Ruff, Lisa	MA	5	42,501.08
Schaefer, Ken	MA	4	(1/2) 20,463.41
Turner, Chris	MA	2	37,778.74

D. THREE-YEAR (2012-2013, 2013-2014 & 2014-2015) SUPERVISOR CONTRACTS - The following supervisors are recommended for a three-year contract:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Cleland, Judy	Transportation	29.61
Delynko, Rick	Building Services	23.62
Friedrich, Jan	Food Services Super	23.03
Kosch, Kenny	Maint Supervisor	31.62
Young, Linda	Tech Coor	annual 78,005.81

E. CLASSIFIED SALARY NOTICES: Recommend approval.

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Bidwell, Yvonne	Custodian	Cont	4	\$15.65
Clevenger, Kathy	Custodian	Cont	7	16.20
Donahue, Vanessa	Custodian	Cont	2	15.29

F. CLASSIFIED SALARY NOTICES: Recommend approval.

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Bidwell, Yvonne	Custodian	Cont	4	\$15.65
Clevenger, Kathy	Custodian	Cont	7	16.20
Donahue, Vanessa	Custodian	Cont	2	15.29
Griggs, Mike	Custodian	Cont	6	16.00
Kille, Chad	Custodian	Cont	3	15.47

Messerly, Denny	Custodian	Cont	6	16.00
Mount, Max	Custodian	Cont	28	20.25
Pettit, Kacy	Custodian	Cont	7	16.20
Thompson, Steve	Custodian	Cont	8	16.36
Bolyard, April	Asst Treasurer	Cont	14	30.90
Bondurant, Alice	Supt Secretary	Cont	16	28.27
LaBelle, John	Tech Asst	Cont	2	20.66
Wyant, Linda	Payroll Asst	Cont	15	27.55
Donahue, Troy	Maintenance	Cont	13	22.30
Hendershot, Bob	Maint Helper	Cont	11	19.08
Fellure, Lori	Athlet / Guidance Sec'y	Cont	16	17.98
Ribble, Joyce	HS Secretary	Cont	20	18.91
Shreyer, Chris	MS Secretary	Cont	11	17.10
Wade, Paula	Elem Secretary	Cont	10	16.90
Burnside, Geoff	Hand Aide	-	3	15.47
Compton, Libby	M S Hand Aide	-	2	15.65
Heistand, Lora	Aide	-	8	16.55
Lockwood, Ruth	In-School-Suspension	Cont	5	23.03
McGarvey, Karen	Nurse Aide	Cont	11	20.61
Rings, Carol	MS Lib Aide	Cont	5	16.00
Hayes, Tina	Transportation	Cont	12	19.05
Henderson, Robin	Transportation	Cont	28	22.21
Gruezke, Lisa	Transportation	Cont	2-Yr: 11-12 & 12-13	17.26
Kemmerer, Yvonne	Transportation	Cont	21	20.86
Kennedy, Kathy	Transportation	Cont	12	19.05
Mathias, Brenda	Transportation	Cont	9	18.52
Peck, Karen	Transportation	Cont	21	20.86
Reinheld, Cathy	Transportation	Cont	18	20.13
Steinke, Cheri	Transportation	Cont	13	19.24
Stilwell, Molly	Transportation	Cont	15	19.61
Ebersbach, Debbie	Head Cook	Cont	18	18.48
Keller, Melanie	Cook	Cont	22	18.89
Kemmerer, Yvonne	Cashier	Cont	15	17.81
Landis, Tammy	MS Head Cook	Cont	10	17.05
Reinheld, Cathy	Cashier	Cont	20	18.91
Stilwell, Molly	Cashier	Cont	23	19.42
Turley, Mary	Cook	Cont	24	19.24
Weidner, Emma	Cook	Cont	22	18.89

G. TWO-YEAR (2012-2013 & 2013-2014) CLASSIFIED CONTRACT - The following employees are recommended for a two-year contract; recommend approval:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Langham, Jennifer	Transportation	1	\$17.08
Pulvermacher, Pam	Food Services	1	15.29

H. EXTENDED SERVICE CONTRACTS - The following personnel are recommended for extended service contracts for the **2012/2013** school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u># of Days</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jennifer Bryan	Kindergarten Screening	2	\$547.52
Jennifer Laski	Kindergarten Screening	2	571.48
Chelsie Perko	Kindergarten Screening	2	342.20

Debbie Reckziegel	Kindergarten Screening	2	592.00
David May	Career-Based Intervention	4	1,050.56
Candy Ashbrook	Family Consumer Economics	5	688.70
Jena Friesner	Vocational Agriculture	50	8,554.97
Christopher Turner	Vocational Agriculture	50	10,266.00
Tom Duplinsky	H S Guidance	30	11,959.80
Debra Miller	M S Guidance	16	6,378.56
Debbie Howdyshell	H S Librarian	5	1,890.65
Kathy Brown	Elem Librarian	5	1,197.70
Christina Matthews	School Nurse	2	564.63

I. SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT POSITIONS - The following candidates are recommended for supplemental positions as listed:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Ben Factor	Instrumental Music	1	3	\$5100.13
Emily Fisher	Vocal Music	2	4	3,274.16

J. EMPLOY PRINCIPAL - The following candidate is recommended for employment as follows:

Name: **Linda Rainey**
 Position: Elementary School Principal
 Education: The Ohio State University - BS and MA in Education
 University of Dayton - Principal Licensure Pre-K - 9
 Salary: \$82, 391.05 (Step 6 of Administrative Salary Schedule)
 Note: Salary Includes 9.3 % for Retirement
 Contract Period: Two Years
 Annual Contract Days: 214 Days
 Start Date: July 24, 2012

K. EMPLOY TEACHER - The following candidate is recommended for employment as follows:

Name: **Chelsie Perko**
 Position: Kindergarten Teacher
 Education: BA Education
 License: Early Childhood
 Salary: \$31,482.28
 Contract Period: 1-Year
 Start Date: August 10, 2012

L. CERTIFIED SUBSTITUTE LIST: Recommend approval of the substitute teacher list for April, 2012, as nominated by the Fairfield County Superintendent.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the New Business - Personnel items listed above. Shook, _____; Walter, _____; Hochradel, _____; Hutton, _____; Raver, _____.

10. CERTIFIED SALARY NOTICE: Recommend approval.

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Hochradel, Katie	MA + 30	9	Continuing	\$58,242.22

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the New Business - Personnel item listed above. Walter, _____; Hochradel, _____; Hutton, _____; Raver, _____; Shook, _____.

11. CERTIFIED SALARY NOTICE: Recommend approval.

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Shook, Jill	MA + 30	14	Sal Not - Continuing	\$56,668.10

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the New Business - Personnel item listed above. Hochradel, _____; Hutton, _____; Raver, _____; Shook, _____; Walter, _____.

12. CLASSIFIED SALARY NOTICE: Recommend approval.

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Steps</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Hutton, Katrina	Head Cook	10	\$17.05

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the New Business - Personnel item listed above. Hutton, _____; Raver, _____; Shook, _____; Walter, _____; Hochradel, _____.

13. NEW BUSINESS OTHER:

A. EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER AGREEMENT - Public school districts in Ohio are required, through provisions of ORC 3313.843 and 3313.845, to select an “Educational Service Center” with which the District may contract with, for educational services. Approval to designate the Fairfield County Education Service Center as the affiliate ESC for the Liberty Union-Thurston School District is requested.

Recommend approval.

B. PILOT PROGRAM - Approval for Liberty Union Middle School staff to participate in a pilot program through the Ohio Department of Education, during the 2012/2013 school year is requested. The pilot program, sponsored through the Federal “Race to the Top” initiative, focuses upon formative instructional practices for middle school teachers involved with the content areas of language arts and mathematics. If selected for the pilot program, the District will be provided limited funding for costs associated with teacher professional development.

Recommend approval.

C. PROPERTY EASEMENT - Approval to grant a property easement to Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. is requested. The easement, of approximately three hundred feet, is a gas line extension for the new maintenance facility. (Board members have been forwarded a diagram of the easement in question.) Recommend approval.

D. SUMMER SPORTS CAMP - David May, Varsity Girls’ Basketball Coach, is requesting approval for the following summer sports “team” camp:

Dates: June 22 - 24, 2012
 Location: West Virginia University - Morgantown, West Virginia
 Eligible Students: Girls' Basketball Players in Grades 7 - 12
 Housing: Evansdale Residential Complex (on campus)
 Includes 24-Hour Supervision from Camp Staff
 Chaperones: David May, Anthony Mangette, Bill Moore, James Peck, Tony Caito
 Transportation: Parent Transportation

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to approved the Walter, _____; Hochradel, _____; Hutton, _____; Raver, _____; Shook, _____.

14. INFORMATION

A. POLICY REVIEW - The following policies are presented for review only, and will be placed on the May14, 2012, agenda for Board consideration:

1) EFG-E - WELLNESS POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS
 (March, 2011 **2012**)

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

1. The committee met in March 2011 **2012**, to evaluate the implementation of policy changes, and to consider additional recommendations. Building principals and the food service supervisor are responsible for implementation and monitoring of the wellness policy.

NUTRITION EDUCATION GOALS:

1. Health classes will continue to emphasize projects and assignments involving family input and participation.
2. **Newsletters from principals will include health and nutrition information.**
2. 3. The District website will ~~include health and nutrition information~~ **provide a link to the USDA website.**

PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES:

1. The current practice of physical fitness testing in physical education classes will continue.
2. Body mass index evaluations ~~will be completed annually for students in kindergarten and grades three, five and nine. Results will be reported to parents, and kept in individual health files, and aggregate results to the Ohio Department of Health, as required.~~ **will be eliminated due to nurse time needed for students with serious health issues.**
3. A **walking** program has been implemented at the elementary **school** ~~by the school nurse. Efforts to expand the program will be explored.~~ **Community and staff members are making use of the opportunity.**
4. Encourage student walking and bicycle riding activities through physical education classes. Create walking incentive rewards.
5. Develop a district transportation plan which would encourage student walking and/or bicycling to and from school. **The addition of multi-use paved paths in the village during the summer of 2012 should make this a viable option.**

STAFF WELLNESS:

1. Fitness classes will continue to be offered.
2. Disease management and wellness programs will be provided through the district health care plan. Employees will receive monthly updates via email.
3. A weight loss program will be offered for staff if there is enough interest to create a class. Community members will be invited to participate.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM:

1. The food service department will ~~continue to seek ways to~~ increase servings of fresh fruits and vegetables **as required**.
2. School meals will continue to be prepared following **the newly revised** USDA (reimbursable) regulations.
3. New menu options will be ~~offered~~ **tried** in ~~an attempt~~ **in order** to increase participation.
4. The Food Service Department will ~~attempt~~ **continue** to ~~exceed~~ **meet USDA nutritional guidelines ahead of required** timelines. ~~for nutritional changes which are outlined in SB 210.~~

SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM:

1. All buildings now have school breakfast programs. Efforts to increase the number of breakfast menu items will be undertaken in the coming year.

Foods Available on Campus:

1. ~~Provide through the food service program an affordable access for all students to the varied and nutritious foods they need to be healthy and to learn well.~~
2. ~~Sell or serve food and beverages to students that will meet the nutritional recommendation of the current United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Dietary Guidelines for Americans.~~
3. ~~Serve to students all available foods that take into consideration the promotion of student health and well-being.~~
4. ~~Prepare and distribute through the food service division to staff, parents, and after school program personnel a list of snack items that comply with the current USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans.~~
5. ~~Follow the beverage standards as contained in Senate Bill 210.~~
6. ~~Follow the District Packaged Snack Nutrition Standards:~~
 - a. ~~Limit calories to 250.~~
 - b. ~~Limit fat to thirty five percent (35%) of total calories (excluding nuts and seeds).~~
 - c. ~~Limit saturated fat to no more than ten percent (10%) of total calories.~~
 - d. ~~Limit sugars, excluding fruits and vegetables, to thirty five percent (35%) of weight.~~
 - e. ~~Limit sodium to 250 mg.~~
 - f. ~~Eliminate Trans Fat.~~

COMMUNITY HEALTH:

High school staff and students will have an opportunity to participate in CPR training on May 18, 2012, provided by the Community Heartwatch program, through Fairfield Medical Center. Free community CPR training will be offered for community members in several locations throughout the county on May 19, 2012 The possibility of a community health fair will be explored, possibly, coinciding with other school or community events.

CLASS PARTIES / BIRTHDAY TREATS / REWARD INCENTIVES:

1. Provide information to parents at the beginning of the school year, as well as reminders throughout the year, encouraging a voluntary program of healthy snacks, and portion limitation for these special events.
2. Work with room-mothers to provide healthy alternatives and portion limitation for organized parties.

SNACK MACHINES:

1. Candy and gum have been removed from snack machines.
2. Additional baked and low-fat alternative snacks will be included in snack machines.

BEVERAGE MACHINES:

Elementary School: Water, flavored water **and sports drinks only**, 8 ounces or less of 100% fruit juice, and 100% fruit juice/water blend with no added sweeteners and containing no more than 160 calories per 8 ounces are available to students.

Middle School: Water and flavored water **only, will be offered in the middle school during the school day** 10 ounces or less of 100% fruit juice, and 100% fruit juice/water blend with no added sweeteners and containing no more than 160 calories per 8 ounces are available to students.

High School: Water, flavored water, **juices, sports drinks are available as alternative offerings to the soda currently available. Students will be encouraged to voluntarily limit soda purchase to one per day. Only diet soda will be available. New beverage machines will be required for the 2011/2012 school year to comply with smaller portion requirements (12 oz.)** 12 ounces or less of 100% fruit juice, and 100% fruit juice/water blend with no added sweeteners and containing no more than 160 calories per 8 ounces are available to students. Additional drinks may include 12 ounces or less of any beverage that contains no more than 66 calories per 8 ounces, or any size of a beverage that contains no more than 10 calories per 8 ounces. The latter may include caffeinated beverages and beverages with added sweeteners, carbonation, or artificial flavoring. Students will be encouraged to voluntarily limit soda purchase to one per day. Only diet soda is available. New beverage machines will be required for the 2011/2012 school year to comply with smaller portion requirements (12 oz). Federal law prohibits the sale of carbonated beverages during meal times.

CONCESSIONS, ETC.:

Request that booster groups, etc. voluntarily include some low-fat alternatives.

TOBACCO:

1. Continue to follow current policy:
 - a. No student tobacco use at any time;
 - b. Staff may not use tobacco in buildings at any time;
 - c. Visitors may not use tobacco in buildings or at athletic events at any time.
2. Designate specific outdoor smoking areas for staff members in each building.
3. Promote anti-tobacco student programs.
4. Provide quit-tobacco programs through the Department of Health.

FUNDRAISING:

No fundraising sales which are primarily candy-oriented.

[Adoption date:	March 13, 2006]	[Revised:	May 12, 2008]
[Revised:	April 13, 2009]	[Revised:	April 12, 2010]
[Revised:	August 11, 2011]	[Revised:	May 14, 2012]

2) **File: IKEB - ACCELERATION**

The Board recognizes that all students learn and progress at different rates and that the time it takes to reach academic standards varies among students. The Board believes students should be challenged and supported to reach their full potential and that the practice of educational acceleration is used to match appropriate learning opportunities with student abilities. The goals of acceleration are to adjust the pace of instruction to the student’s capabilities, provide an appropriate level of challenge and to reduce the time period necessary for students to complete traditional schooling.

The District uses acceleration strategies in four academic areas.

1. Whole-grade acceleration: The practice of assigning a student on a full-time basis to a higher grade level than is typical, given the student’s age, for the purpose of providing access to appropriately challenging learning opportunities.
2. Individual subject acceleration: The practice of assigning a student to a higher grade level than is typical, given the student’s age, for the purpose of providing access to appropriately challenging learning opportunities in one or more subject areas.

- 3. Early admission to kindergarten: The practice of admitting a student to kindergarten who has not yet reached the typical age at which students are admitted to kindergarten, for the purpose of providing access to appropriately challenging learning opportunities.
- 4. Early high school graduation: The practice of facilitating completion of the high school program in fewer than four year, for the purpose of providing earlier than typical access to post-secondary educational opportunities.

Referrals for students to be evaluated and assessed should be made to the building principal. Students referred ~~and having parental permission are tested using a variety of assessments. The assessments are reviewed by an acceleration evaluation committee to determine the most appropriate and available learning environment for the students~~ **will be assessed and evaluated following the recommendations of the Iowa Acceleration Scales as mandated by the Ohio Department of Education.**

A committee, including District Teachers, gifted coordinator, building principal, and the student's parent(s), will review evaluation results, and make a placement decision. ~~The committee issues a written recommendation to the building principal and the students' parents. Parents have the right to appeal the committee's recommendation to the Superintendent/designee.~~

The committee develops a written acceleration plan for any student who is admitted early to kindergarten, offered whole-grade acceleration or acceleration in one or more individual subject areas. The parents of the student are provided with a copy of the written plan.

The Board directs the administration to develop rules for referring evaluating students who may qualify for acceleration services.

[Adoption: July 10, 2006] [Revised: July 9, 2007]
 [Revised: May 14, 2012]

LEGAL REFS.: ORC 3321.01
 3324.01 et seq.
 OAC 3301-51-15

CROSS REFS.: IGBB, Programs for Gifted and Talented Students
 IKFA, Early Graduation
 JB, Equal Educational Opportunities
 JEB, Entrance Age (Mandatory Kindergarten)
 JEBA, Early Entrance to Kindergarten
 Ohio Department of Education Model Acceleration Policy for Advanced Learners
 Student Handbooks

3) File: IKEB-E - ACCELERATION

File: IKEB-E

ACCELERATION REQUEST FORM

Date Request Delivered to School: _____

Student Name: _____

Student Address: _____

Parent(s) Name: _____

Parent Contact Phone Number(s): _____

Student Birth Date: _____

Request Type (circle one):

Early Entrance into Kindergarten

Whole Grade Acceleration

Single Subject Acceleration Subject: _____

Student Current Grade: _____

Student Current Teacher: _____

Student Current Building: _____

I request my child be evaluated under the State of Ohio Acceleration Policy. I grant permission for all testing and assessment related to this process.

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

WRITTEN ACCELERATION PLAN

Student: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

Type of Acceleration: _____

Placement: _____

Teacher: _____

Transition Period: _____ 9 weeks _____ 1 semester

Date: _____

Strategies to ensure a successful transition:

Strategies to ensure continuous progress following the transition period:

Staff member assigned to monitor the implementation of this plan:	
Name: _____	Position: _____

Signatures: _____ (School District Representatives)	
_____ (Parent / Guardian)	

[Adoption: May 14, 2012]

4) **File: IKEB-E - ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENTS USED FOR GIFTED IDENTIFICATION (see attachment) DELETE**

5) **File: IKEB - ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENTS USED FOR GIFTED IDENTIFICATION DELETE**

6) **File: JEB - ENTRANCE AGE (Mandatory Kindergarten) DELETE**

~~Each child who is five years of age on or before August 1 shall be eligible to enroll in kindergarten. Each child who is six years of age on or before August 1 and who has successfully completed kindergarten shall be eligible to enroll in the first grade.~~

~~The District policy requiring successful completion of kindergarten may be waived upon parental request to the pupil personnel services committee. This committee shall be comprised as set forth in the Ohio Revised Code.~~

~~When a request for early entrance to kindergarten is received, the building principal interviews the parent(s)/guardian and child and arranges for the testing. The child's fifth birthday must fall between August 2 and December 31 of the year requested for early entrance. The testing assists the Superintendent by measuring the following areas:~~

- ~~1. The child's mental age should be between 14 and 16 months above his/her chronological age (October, 14 months; November, 15 months; December, 16 months) as determined by standardized tests.~~
- ~~2. The child's total I.Q. should be at least 125 on a deviation scale as determined by standardized testing.~~
- ~~3. The child should possess and demonstrate social and emotional characteristics that permit conformity with the pattern of behavior commonly expected of children in kindergarten.~~
- ~~4. Admission of the child is recommended by both the school psychologist and building principal.~~

[Adoption date: January 10, 2000]
[Revised: May 14, 2012]

[Revised: September 10, 2001]

LEGAL REFS.: ORC 3321.01
OAC 3301-35-03(F)(1)

7) **File: JEBA - ENTRANCE AGE TO KINDERGARTEN**

State law establishes minimum age requirements for admission to kindergarten and sets forth requirements for a standardized testing program to evaluate those students deemed ready by parents for early admission.

Children who will be the proper age for entrance to kindergarten or first grade by the first day of January of the school year for which admission is requested are evaluated upon the request of the child’s parent or legal guardian.

Children who will not yet be the proper age for entrance to kindergarten or first grade by the first day of January of the school year for which admission is requested are also evaluated for possible early admittance if referred by an educator within the District or a preschool educator, a pediatrician or a psychologist who knows the child. The building principal may also request evaluation at his/her discretion.

When a request for early entrance to kindergarten is received, the building principal/designee interviews the parent(s)/guardian(s) and child and arranges for testing. Testing ~~criteria are established as follows~~ **evaluates:**

1. ~~The child should score at least two standard deviations above the mean, minus the standard error of measure on an appropriate individual intelligence test.~~ **Overall IQ**
2. ~~The child should score in the 95th percentile on an appropriate individual achievement test.~~ **Areas of ability, aptitude, and achievement**
3. ~~The child’s visual motor maturity level should be between 14 and 16 months above his/her chronological age as determined by an appropriate measure of visual motor development.~~ **Social and emotional readiness**
4. ~~The child should possess and demonstrate social and emotional characteristics that permit conformity with the pattern of behavior commonly expected of children in kindergarten.~~
5. ~~Admission of the child is recommended by both the school psychologist and building principal.~~

Referrals for students to be evaluated and assessed should be made to the building principal. Students referred ~~and having parental permission are tested using a variety of assessments~~ **will be assessed and evaluated following the recommendations of the Iowa Acceleration Scales as mandated by the Ohio Department of Education.** The assessments are reviewed by an acceleration evaluation committee to determine the most appropriate and available learning environment for the students.

The committee issues a written recommendation to the building principal and the student’s parents. Parents have the right to appeal the committee’s recommendation to the Superintendent/~~designee~~.

The committee develops a written acceleration plan for any student who is admitted early to kindergarten. The parents of the student are provided with a copy of the written note.

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LEGAL REFS.: ORC 3321.01
3324.01 et seq.
OAC 3301-51-15

CROSS REFS.: IGBB, Programs for Gifted and Talented Students
IKEB, Acceleration
JEB, Entrance Age (Mandatory Kindergarten)

8) **File: JEBA-R - ENTRANCE AGE** (JEB-R will actually be deleted; however, the same wording will become policy JEBA-R.)

ENTRANCE AGE
(Mandatory Kindergarten)

The District will require screening for vision, speech and language, hearing, health or medical problems, and academic skills of all kindergartners or first graders who are enrolled for the first time.

The Board will

1. provide for screening services within the District;
2. contract with other providers for screening services when deemed appropriate;
3. request that the parent obtain screening services from a list of providers developed by the District or
4. accept records of examination within the last 12 months from a licensed dentist, physician or optometrist.

1. Intent of Screening

Screening assessments of students entering public education systems serve several purposes.

The one purpose of screening for all first year students is to assist educators in making appropriate programmatic adjustments for each student, pointing the way to appropriate intervention.

Screening is also to be used in the special education identification process. Referrals can be made to either medical specialists or to educational specialists (psychologists, speech/language pathologists, teachers, counselors, etc.) for differentiated evaluation of learning deficits and placement in an appropriate educational program.

In the regular education program, the need for intervention services may be determined from the initial screening in the areas of vision, speech and language, hearing, medical and health.

Providing parents with information about the developmental strengths and weaknesses of their child is another purpose of the screening program.

A screening tool should not be used as the sole criteria to determine the student's developmental levels. Screening is not intended to be used as a means of deterring students from entering the public education system, nor is it to be used as a form of discrimination against any part of the local population entering kindergarten.

2. Timelines

Parents will be informed of the District's screening program prior to August 1 of the school year in which a student is enrolled for the first time in kindergarten. Initial screening will take place prior to the start of the school year. Students not screened before school starts will be screened as soon as possible once school starts.

3. Waiver of Screening

A parent may sign a written statement to the effect that he/she does not wish to have his/her child screened.

4. Age Requirement

To enter kindergarten, a child must be at least five years of age by the 1st day of August of the year of admittance. All age requirements are effective July 1, 2001.

Early entrance:

The exception to the age requirement for kindergarten is any student who is 5 during the period August 2 through December 31 of the year of enrollment, is evaluated according to procedures established by the Board and meets all criteria for early entrance to kindergarten.

5. Curriculum

The kindergarten program will employ a developmentally appropriate curriculum which addresses equally physical, social, emotional, language and cognitive skills. To be

developmentally appropriate, the kindergarten program will accept each child as a unique person with an individual pattern and timing of growth, as well as an individual personality, learning style and family background. The teacher will use child development knowledge to identify the range of appropriate behaviors, activities and materials to which each child should be exposed.

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 [Revised: May 14, 2012]

9) File: JEBA-E EARLY ENROLLMENT FOR KINDERGARTEN LETTER

Liberty Union - Thurston School District

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in Early Enrollment for Kindergarten. In accordance with the State of Ohio Model Acceleration Policy and Section 3324.10 of HB 66, public school districts shall offer interested parents screening opportunity for possible Early Entrance for their child. The standards for Early Entrance are more difficult than the standards for general entrance to ensure that students are able to perform and succeed in both Kindergarten and subsequent academic years. The first step in the process is for you to self-screen the student. Please answer the following questions honestly and completely. This will give you an indication as to how to proceed in referring your student for further evaluation.

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Has your student attended a licensed preschool class for at least one year that includes a minimum of 7 hours of instruction each week?		
Has your child participated in at least one organized sport or formal class (art, music, dance, religious study, etc.) outside of a preschool or daycare setting?		
Does your child dress him/herself daily, take him/herself to the restroom unassisted, eat with a spoon and fork neatly, and communicate his/her needs verbally?		
Is your child able to sit and work on a task such as coloring or cutting for a 20 minute stretch without becoming distracted?		
Is your child able to look through picture books and "read" to him/herself by mimicking what he/she has heard before or by making up a new story based on the pictures?		
Has your child been read to on a daily basis, 5 or more times per week?		
Is your child able to count verbally from 0-20 and count objects from 0-10?		
Is your child able to recognize and name all numbers from 1-10?		
Is your child able to recognize and name the following shapes: circle, square, triangle and rectangle?		
Is your child able to recite all/most of the alphabet?		
Is your child able to recognize and name all/most of the letters (both upper and lower case) of the alphabet?		
Is your child able to read and write his/her first name?		
Is your child able to provide a rhyming word for simple words such as cat, dog, tree, go, like, red, blue, look, big my, sun?		
Is your child able to identify all of the following colors: red, green, yellow, blue, black, white?		
Is your child able to recite his/her complete address and phone number?		

If you answered no to 3 or more of these questions, your child **may not be** a strong candidate for Early Enrollment to Kindergarten. Your child might benefit from enrollment in one of the many licensed preschool programs in Fairfield County to help provide the foundation necessary for a

successful and positive learning experience throughout his/her 13 years of public school.

If you choose to proceed, the second step in the Early Entrance process is an ability test. Parents who wish to refer a student to the school district for Early Entrance should complete the attached application, include the checklist response from above, and submit it to the school office before June 1st. And ability test will then be scheduled. Students must score at least one standard deviation above the mean on this test to proceed to the third step of the process.

The third step of the process will include a parent interview and achievement and aptitude testing by the Gifted Coordinator. The process is rigorous and evaluates the areas of ability, aptitude, achievement, development, interpersonal skills, attitude and support. After this evaluation, a committee which includes the gifted coordinator, a kindergarten teacher from the district, the elementary principal and at least one parent will convene to review the data and make a final placement decision.

If you have any questions about this process, please call the Fairfield County Gifted Coordinator at 740-653-3193 or the elementary school principal at 740-862-4143.

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- 10) **File: JEBA-E Form A - WAIVER OF KINDERGARTEN SCREENING**
Policy JEB-E Waiver of Kindergarten Screening will be deleted; however the same policy wording now becomes JEBA-E.

- 11) **File: JEBA-E Form B - ENTRANCE AGE**
Policy JEB-E Waiver of Kindergarten will be deleted; however the same policy wording now becomes JEBA-E.

- 12) **File: JEBA-E Form C - ENTRANCE AGE - Delete**

RECOMMENDED SCREENING INSTRUMENTS

<u>Name of Instrument</u>	<u>AREAS ASSESSED</u>							
	<u>Gross Motor</u>	<u>Fine Motor</u>	<u>Self Help</u>	<u>Lang</u>	<u>Speech</u>	<u>Math Read</u>	<u>RDNG Read</u>	<u>Social Emotnl</u>
DIAL-R	X	X		X	X	X	X	
BRIGANCE K & I SCREENING	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
GESELL KINDERGARTEN SCREENING (Placement, not Diagnostic)	X	X	X	X	X			X
LEARNING ACCOMPLISHMENT PROFILE	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
BATTELLE DEVELOPMENTAL INVENTORY	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
DENVER DEVELOPMENTAL	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
KINDERGARTEN DIAGNOSTIC INSTRUMENT	X	X		X		X	X	

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13) **File: JEBA-E Form D - ENTRANCE AGE - Delete**

FAIRFIELD COUNTY SCHOOLS

NOTIFICATION OF HANDICAPPED STUDENTS OF KINDERGARTEN AGE WHO ARE REGISTERED IN SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Date: _____, 20____

The following ~~handicapped students are residents of the Liberty Union Thurston Local School District and have been enrolled in alternate approved special education programs:~~

~~1. STUDENT'S NAME _____ STUDENT'S AGE _____~~

~~ADDRESS _____~~

~~PROGRAM PLACEMENT _____ PROGRAM SITE _____~~

~~2. STUDENT'S NAME _____ STUDENT'S AGE _____~~

~~ADDRESS _____~~

~~PROGRAM PLACEMENT _____ PROGRAM SITE _____~~

~~3. STUDENT'S NAME _____ STUDENT'S AGE _____~~

~~ADDRESS _____~~

~~PROGRAM PLACEMENT _____ PROGRAM SITE _____~~

~~4. STUDENT'S NAME _____ STUDENT'S AGE _____~~

~~ADDRESS _____~~

~~PROGRAM PLACEMENT _____ PROGRAM SITE _____~~

~~5. STUDENT'S NAME _____ STUDENT'S AGE _____~~

~~ADDRESS _____~~

~~PROGRAM PLACEMENT _____ PROGRAM SITE _____~~

~~6. STUDENT'S NAME _____ STUDENT'S AGE _____~~

~~ADDRESS _____~~

~~PROGRAM PLACEMENT _____ PROGRAM SITE _____~~

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B. "RACE TO THE TOP" COMMITTEE: Members of the District Race to the Top Committee will provide an update.

C. CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE: There will be an update on the progress of the high school renovation, new middle school and district office construction.

15. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next Board of Education Meeting will be held on **Monday, May 14, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.** at the Liberty Union **Board of Education Office, 1108 S. Main Street.**

16. ADJOURN: Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to adjourn at _____ p.m. Raver, _____; Shook, _____; Walter, _____; Hochradel, _____; Hutton, _____.