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OSBA launches school board candidate campaign

This is a school board election year, and OSBA encourages qualified citizens to seek a seat on their local school boards. The association has sent information to all county boards of elections and school superintendents about school board elections; board member roles and responsibilities; and OSBA candidate training programs and tool kits. OSBA will conduct a free Pre-Board Candidate Workshop on July 15 for those who are undecided about seeking a seat and board members appointed to office who have not run a campaign. There also will be a series of Board Candidate Workshops in August and September for those who are running. For more information, visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/running-school-board.

Only five of 65 Ohio charter sponsors qualify for new federal grants

State education officials have turned down \$22 million out of \$71 million in federal charter school expansion grants because they don't think enough potential schools will meet the high performance ratings needed to qualify, according to The Associated Press. The grants are for new schools opened by sponsors receiving ratings of effective or exemplary, the two highest of five ratings on new state sponsor evaluations. Officials said only five of 65 sponsors achieved effective ratings and none were rated exemplary last fall.

Bellaire Local taking part in state's first shared services feasibility study

State Auditor **Dave Yost** has announced that **Bellaire Local (Belmont)** will take part in his office's first shared services feasibility study. Funded by a grant program, the voluntary study measure the potential benefits of collaboration among neighboring governments. The Bellaire study will explore cost savings and increased efficiency that could result from sharing school bus facilities and maintenance resources with four Belmont County school districts: **Bridgeport EV; Martins Ferry City; Shadyside Local; and St. Clairsville-Richland City**. **East Central Ohio ESC and Muskingum Valley ESC** will help facilitate the project. Districts interested in applying for a study can contact the auditor's office at (614) 387-6295 or performance@ohioauditor.gov.

Nearly 200 board members participate in Board Leadership Institute

The 16th annual OSBA Board Leadership Institute drew about 200 school board members to Columbus for two days packed with learning, networking and sharing. Keynote speakers at the April 21-22 event were Superintendent of Public Instruction **Paolo DeMaria** and state Rep. **Robert R. Cupp** (R-Lima). The institute also offered 18 workshops and numerous networking opportunities. Photos from the event are posted on OSBA's Flickr page at www.flickr.com/photos/ohschoolboards/albums.

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New program recognizes military-friendly schools

The state has created a Purple Star Award for schools that show a commitment to serving military-connected students and families. To earn the honor, schools must apply and meet specific criteria. There are 34,000 children in Ohio with at least one parent serving in the military, and some of them will attend six to nine different schools throughout their K-12 educational experiences. Besides changing schools often, a student also can be affected by a parent's deployment. Schools can help students and families by connecting them with the resources they need. A Purple Star school will receive the designation for two years; after that, a school must reapply. The Purple Star emblem was selected because purple symbolizes support for military families. For details on the program, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/48983>.

Baby chicks bring life cycle lesson to classroom

Classrooms in several southeast Ohio elementary schools have been celebrating birthdays as baby chicks emerge from their eggs. The Ohio State University (OSU) Extension Chickquest program teaches students about the life cycle as they monitor eggs and eventually hold the fluffy baby chicks.

"Many students have never witnessed a chick hatching, and they're so excited and curious about how it all works," **Kathryn Hartline**, extension program coordinator for 4-H youth development at the Washington County OSU extension office, told a local newspaper.

Students at **Marietta City's** Putnam and Phillips elementary schools already have seen their eggs hatch and said their goodbyes. Source: The Marietta Times

OSBA seeks Ambassadors for Education members

OSBA is recruiting additional members for its Ambassadors for Education program, which is designed to spread the good news about Ohio public education and OSBA activities. The ambassadors, who are school board members

selected from OSBA member districts, participate in regional events, seminars, meetings and other activities and are dedicated to keeping abreast of critical issues facing public education. An important component of the program is speaking to civic, fraternal, government, business, social service and church groups to share news about public education's many successes. For more information on the program, contact OSBA Deputy Executive Director **Rob Delane** at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or rdelane@ohioschoolboards.org.

OSBA online

● www.ohioschoolboards.org
The OSBA Division of Legal Services has updated its Ohio Revised Code dates and deadlines resource page for the 2017-2018 school year. To access this important information, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/32127>.



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BULLETIN BOARD

compiled by Melanie Price, senior administrative assistant of communication services

OSBA executive searches

Superintendent

District

① Van Wert City

Deadline

May 15

Contact

OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000

② Tolles Career & Technical Center

June 2

OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000



Other searches

Position

Superintendent

District

Lakota Local (Sandusky)

Deadline

May 12

Contact

Mandy Martin, personnel and licensure,
North Point ESC, (419) 627-3908

Board changes

Cardinal Local (Geauga) Board of Education member **Gregory A. McClain** announced his resignation effective April 13. ●●● Centerville City Board of Education member **Brad Evers** announced his resignation effective April 11. ●●● **Champion Local (Trumbull)** appointed **Patricia Fisher** to the board effective April 10. She replaced **Roger L. Samuelson**, who died in March. ●●● **Pettisville Local (Fulton)** appointed **Daniel Dymarkowski** to the board effective March 13. He replaced **Loren Roth**, who died in February. ●●● **Switzerland of Ohio Local (Monroe)** Board of Education member **Jackie Hupp** announced her resignation effective April 11. ●●● **Williamsburg Local (Clermont)** appointed **Brandon Lindsey** to the board effective April 20. He replaced **Brent Keeton**, who moved out of the district.

Administrative changes

Superintendents

Bath Local (Allen) Superintendent **Dale E. Lewellen** announced his resignation effective July 31. He has taken the superintendent position at **Licking County ESC** effective Aug. 1. He will replace Dr. **Nelson McCray**, who is retiring effective July 31. ●●● **Bexley City** hired **Kimberly Pietsch Miller** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. She will replace Dr. **Michael L. Johnson**, who is retiring. Miller currently is the chief academic officer at **Dublin City**. ●●● **Brown Local (Carroll)** hired **Scott Bowling** as interim superintendent effective April 1. He will be hired as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He replaced **Connie Griffin**, who retired. Bowling previously was the district's high school/middle school principal. ●●●

Editor's note

Job postings must be received six weeks before the application deadline to ensure timely publication.
Thank you for your cooperation.

Fremont City hired **Jon C. Detwiler** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace Dr. **Traci L. McCaudy**, who is retiring. Detwiler currently is the superintendent at **Lakota Local (Sandusky)**. ●●● **Shawnee Local (Allen)** hired **James D. Kanable** as superintendent effective April 26. He replaced Interim Superintendent **Don Wade**. ●●● **Vandalia-Butler City** Superintendent **Bradley C. Neavin** announced his retirement effective July 31. The board hired the district's Director of Pupil Services and Human Resources **Robert M. O'Leary** as assistant superintendent effective April 26.

Treasurers

Cuyahoga Falls City hired **Justin Klingshirn** as treasurer effective June 1. He will replace Interim Treasurer **Kathryn Elizabeth Brugger**. Klingshirn currently is a manager in the Ohio auditor's office. ●●● **Salem City** hired **Michael Douglas** as assistant treasurer effective April 24. He will be hired as treasurer effective Aug. 1, replacing **Robert P. Barrett**, who will transition to another role in the district.

Sympathies

Former **Clearview Local (Lorain)** Board of Education member **Connie L. Finley** died April 9. She was 72. ●●● Former **Eastwood Local (Wood)** Board of Education member **Randall P. Cajka** died April 17. He was 58. ●●● **Eunice Lincoff**, a member of the former **Jefferson County** Board of Education, died April 19. She was 82. ●●● Former **Leetonia EV** Board of Education member **Galen Walker** died April 17. He was 83. ●●● Former **Lancaster City** Board of Education member **Gary Alan Mauller** died April 17. He was 73. ●●● Former **Minerva Local (Stark)** Treasurer **Donna J. Grimes** died April 12. She was 87. ●●● Former **Northridge Local (Licking)** Board of Education member **Nolan Perry Henderson** died April 5. He was 94. ●●● Former **Pettisville Local (Fulton)** Board of Education member **Lawrence King** died March 4. He was 94. ●●● **Pettisville Local (Fulton)** Board of Education member **Loren Roth** died Feb. 13. He was 62. ●●● **William Ellis VII**, a former member of the **Old Fort Local (Seneca)** and the former **Seneca-Wyandot County** school boards, died April 8. He was 83. ●●● Former **Swanton Local (Fulton)** Treasurer and **Pike-Delta-York Local (Fulton)** Treasurer and Board of Education member **Robert W. Gerken** died April 14. He was 80. ●●● Former **Switzerland of Ohio Local (Monroe)**

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Management Development Series #3: Bring the media on board with proactive communication tactics

Wednesday, May 17
OSBA office, Columbus

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Cost is \$95



If a crisis happens in your district, are you prepared to manage the resulting media attention and keep your parents informed? Do you have speaking points ready and know what to never say to a reporter? Review several school crisis events, develop talking points, practice live interviews and build your confidence in partnering with media staff.

Join OSBA's Management Development Series on May 17 to learn how to work through both the bad and good news with the media. The class is offered from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and includes a working lunch.

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Cost for the workshop is \$95 and includes lunch and materials. Register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops or contact **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.

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Treasurer **Lola Tremblay** died April 14. She was 93. ●●● Former **Teays Valley Local (Pickaway)** Board of Education member **William “Bill” Winter** died April 17. He was 81. ●●● Former **West Liberty-Salem Local (Champaign)** Board of Education member **Everett B. Yoder** died April 16. He was 95. ●●● Former **Westfall Local (Pickaway)** Board of Education member **Jeanne Postle Lett** died April 6. She was 90.



REGIONAL ROUNDUP

by Scott Gerfen, assistant editor

Spring conferences highlight board member awards, district achievements

At six locations across the state in March, OSBA’s spring regional conferences recognized the exceptional efforts of many school board members, administrators and teachers.

These events — which also take place in the fall — afford attendees the opportunity to network with their peers and cultivate new connections within their regions.

OSBA President **Denise Baba**, **Streetsboro City**, OSBA Executive Director **Richard Lewis** and other association staff met with attendees and delivered updates at the conferences.

Board members who attend regional conferences earn five credits toward the OSBA Award of Achievement. Visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/43085> or contact OSBA for information about the program.

The regional managers who oversee the spring and fall conferences submit reports about their events. Following is a summary. Photos from the

conferences can be viewed on OSBA’s Flickr page at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/52155>.

Learn more about OSBA’s regions by visiting www.ohioschoolboards.org/regions or contacting your regional manager.

Central Region

by *Kim Miller-Smith*
regional manager

Central Region President **Lee Schreiner**, **South-Western City**, presided over the March 6 Central Region Spring Conference at Villa Milano in Columbus.

Nearly 350 people representing 54 of the region’s districts — the most ever — and its 14 counties registered for the event. Attendees listened to South-Western City’s Grove City High School String Quartet during dinner.

The 2017 Ohio Teacher of the Year, **Dustin Weaver**, an English teacher who will become the new principal at **Chillicothe City’s** Chillicothe High School this summer, presented an insightful

address on the value of good teachers and how they significantly impact student achievement. He also discussed how leaders can support good student instruction.

Twelve school districts were recognized for their outstanding programs displayed at the 2016 OSBA Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair.

Olentangy Local’s (Delaware) Scioto Ridge Elementary School and **Reynoldsburg City’s** Summit Road Elementary School were honored as the region’s 2016 National Blue Ribbon winners. The program recognizes elementary and secondary schools that make significant progress in closing achievement gaps.

The conference also honored 10 districts who received the Ohio Department of Education’s (ODE) All A Award, which recognizes schools that earned straight As on their Ohio School Report Cards.

Additionally, ODE recognized three Central Region schools —

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Westfall Local's (Pickaway)

Westfall High School, **Mansfield City's** Spanish Immersion School and **Plymouth-Shiloh Local's (Richland)** Plymouth High School — as Schools of Promise, schools that are making substantial progress in ensuring high achievement for all students.

School board members received well-deserved recognition for their milestone years of service. Fifty-three board members were honored for 10, 15 and 20 years of service.

Seventeen Central Region board members who participated in extensive professional development and demonstrated leadership at the local and state levels received the Award of Achievement.

Board members **Larry Carfrey**, Westfall Local; **Richard McLarnan**, **Knox County ESC** and **Knox County Career Center**; and Schreiner were recognized for earning Master Board Member status.

Save the date for the Central Region Fall Conference on Wednesday, Sept. 27.

Northeast Region

*by Reno Contipelli
regional manager*

March 22 marked the Northeast Region's Spring Conference. The Springvale Golf Course & Ballroom was the setting for this recognition and meeting of local school board members and administrators from districts throughout the region's 19 counties.

Extra thanks go to **North Olmsted City** and Northeast Region

President **Terry Groden**, North Olmsted City, for their invaluable help with setup, arrangements and organization of the conference.

The Northeast Region Executive Committee also would like to thank **Kevin Locke** of Pepple & Waggoner Ltd. for sponsoring the conference and **Valerie Schmitz** of Kelly Day Financial Services LLC for sponsoring the head table.

Groden led the evening's program, which began with a social hour and networking followed by dinner. North Olmsted City's North Olmsted High School Jazz Band played for arriving guests, and the North Olmsted High School musical group Special Edition, directed by **Alex Phan**, also performed several songs.

OSBA President Baba, a past president of the region, welcomed guests and urged attendees to get more involved in the defense of public education. She also gave an update on the National School Boards Association's activities and encouraged board members to become involved at the state level and with the services offered by OSBA.

OSBA Lobbyist **Jennifer Hogue** provided a legislative update, which included the state's biennial budget. She urged attendees to remain active with their representatives and be ready for call to actions.

Olmsted Falls City

Superintendent Dr. **James L. Lloyd** delivered the keynote address. He spoke about Ohio's plan for the Every Student Succeeds Act.

State Sen. **Joe Schiavoni** (D-Boardman) received the President's Award, which honors individuals who have dedicated their lives and careers to improving public education.

One of the region's four nominees for Ohio Teacher of the Year, **Jennifer Culver**, **Cuyahoga Falls City**, was recognized at the conference.

Fourteen board members received the Award of Achievement, and **Ron Register**, **Cleveland Heights-University Heights City**, was honored for attaining Master Board Member status. The region also acknowledged board members with 10, 15 and 20 years of service.

Karen Dendorfer, **Parma City**, and **Larry George**, **Jefferson County ESC** and **Jefferson County JVSD**, were honored for 30 years of service. Dr. **David W. Ritchie**, **Austintown Local (Mahoning)**, received a standing ovation for 50 years of service.

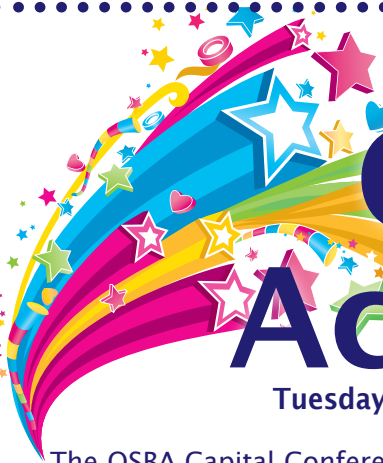
The Northeast Region looks forward to returning to the Galaxy Banquet Center for its fall conference on Thursday, Oct. 5.

Northwest Region

*by Dr. Judy Jackson May
regional manager*

The 70th Northwest Region Spring Conference, with 225 guests in attendance, was held March 9 at the newly renovated **Apollo Career Center** in Lima. This year's theme was "Celebrating our Hometown Heroes."

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Celebrate the stars in your district at the OSBA Student Achievement Fair

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2017 • 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. • Greater Columbus Convention Center

The OSBA Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair highlights outstanding student performance groups and fresh, innovative initiatives from school districts across the state.

Student Achievement Fair performing groups

OSBA will choose one school district performing group from each of the association's five regions to perform during the Student Achievement Fair. Past performing groups have included choirs, bands, orchestras, percussion ensembles and cheerleaders. Each group will perform for 20 minutes. To nominate a performing group, submit a nomination at <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/saf-nominations> and email an electronic video audition or YouTube link to **Gwen Samet**, administrative assistant of board and management services, at gsamet@ohioschoolboards.org. Only electronic recordings will be accepted. The nomination deadline is Friday, June 23.



Student Achievement Fair district programs

OSBA is accepting nominations for district programs. These programs showcase exemplary programs that improve student achievement. Examples of district programs in the Student Achievement Fair include one-to-one technology programs, STEM for middle grades, workforce exchange programs and career center culinary arts programs. For more ideas, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/60021> to view the list of 2016 Student Achievement Fair district programs.

One hundred programs highlighting student achievement will be selected. While multiple programs may be submitted for consideration, no more than two per district will be selected, so districts should prioritize their submissions. Nominate a district program at <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/saf-nominations>.

District programs will be showcased in a 10-by-10-foot booth, which can accommodate up to five people. Nominations will be accepted until all booths have been filled. **Please note: Internet access IS NOT provided with your booth. If you need internet access, you can purchase it from the convention center. The 2016 daily rate for Wi-Fi was \$99 per device. You will need a credit card to make the purchase.**



Have questions?

If you have questions about nominating a student performing group or district program, contact **Gwen Samet** (gsamet@ohioschoolboards.org) or **Teri Morgan** (tmorgan@ohioschoolboards.org) at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.

Visit <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/saf-nominations> to nominate a student performing group or district program today!



THE 40TH ANNUAL OHIO COUNCIL OF SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEYS

SCHOOL ATTORNEY WORKSHOP

FRIDAY, JUNE 16 TUITION IS \$210
NATIONWIDE HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER, LEWIS CENTER

Agenda

8:30 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast

9 a.m. The view from Washington, D.C.: A federal update

A National School Boards Association (NSBA) attorney provides a national perspective on the key decisions, legislation and guidance documents coming from the federal government.

Sonja Trainor, program director, NSBA Council of School Attorneys

10 a.m. Ask the arbitrator

Back by popular demand, an experienced panel of arbitrators provide their thoughts on the just cause standard, strict compliance with timelines and deadlines, and more.

Sandra Furman, Esq., Mitchell Goldberg, Esq. and David Stanton, Esq.

10:45 a.m. Break

11 a.m. Understanding digital forensics

Digital evidence, including email, internet activity and other electronic files, are crucial in internal investigations, civil matters and cybersecurity cases. Learn where to look for this evidence, how attorneys can use it to their advantage and what really goes on beyond what is visible.

Adam Blevins, director of technology, Hamilton Clermont Cooperative; Damon Hacker, president and CEO, Vestige Digital Investigations; and Ryan LaFlamme, Esq., Ennis Britton Co. LPA

Noon OCSBA Annual Business Meeting

12:15 p.m. Lunch (provided)

1:15 p.m. English learners in K-12 schools

This session provides a comprehensive look at educating students whose native or home language is not English and equips school attorneys with the information and resources they need to provide competent counsel in this area of the law.

Jennifer A. Hardin, deputy director of legal services, OSBA; Wanda Lillis, Esq., associate legal counsel, Columbus City Schools; and Donna Villareal, education consultant, Office of Curriculum and Assessment, Ohio Department of Education (ODE)

2 p.m. Break

2:15 p.m. ODE, Ohio Ethics Commission and Ohio auditor of state's office panel

Representatives from state agencies will be on hand to answer some of your most frequently asked questions, including those on licensure, employee misconduct, findings for recovery, conflicts of interest and more.

Mark Altier, chief legal counsel, Ohio auditor of state's office; Karen King, advisory attorney, Ohio Ethics Commission; and Lori Kelly, director, Office for Professional Conduct, and Immy Singh, director, Office of Licensure, ODE

Moderator: Sara C. Clark, director of legal services, OSBA

3:30 p.m. Dealing with difficult attorneys

Disciplinary counsel from the Ohio Supreme Court will provide an overview of the attorney disciplinary process, including recognizing the difference between difficult or uncivil behavior and a disciplinary rule violation. *This session has been approved for 1.0 hour of professional conduct credit hours.*

Scott Drexel, disciplinary counsel, Office of Disciplinary Counsel, Ohio Supreme Court

4:30 p.m. Adjourn

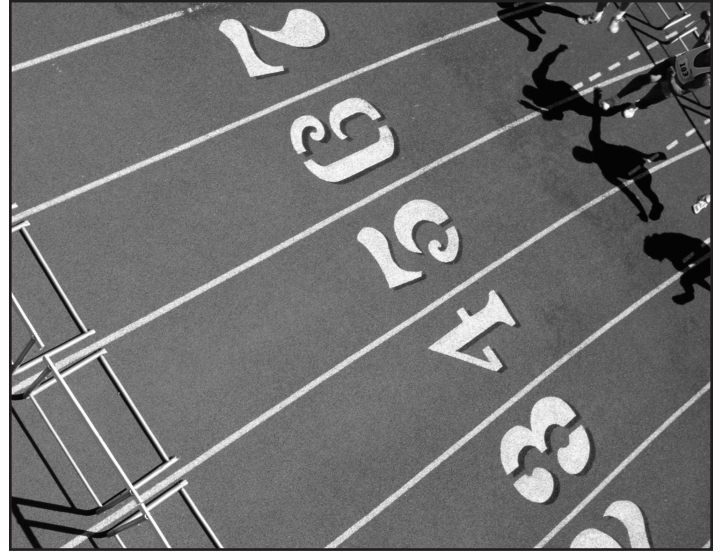
This workshop is open to OCSBA members, and school board members and in-house counsel of school districts that are members of OSBA. Unauthorized audio recording or videotaping of any session is strictly prohibited.

The workshop will be held at the Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center, 100 Green Meadows Drive South, Lewis Center, OH 43035. The phone number is (614) 880-4300. Register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops or contact **Laurie Miller**, OSBA senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.

Sports Law Workshop

Friday, June 23
9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Embassy Suites, Columbus
Cost is \$165



AGENDA

8:30 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast (provided)

9 a.m. OHSAA legal update
The workshop kicks off with a discussion with the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) about new initiatives. Hear OHSAA's thoughts, recommendations and the potential repercussions associated with recruitment of student athletes.
Dr. Daniel B. Ross, commissioner, OHSAA

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Top 10 legal issues impacting athletic programs
Learn the top 10 legal issues all school districts need to address to run effective, efficient and legally compliant athletic programs. Two school attorneys will review a number of issues that impact athletic programs, including risk and liability management, Title IX compliance and more.
Pamela A. Leist, Esq., and William M. Deters II, Esq., Ennis Britton Co. LPA, Cincinnati

11:30 a.m. Lunch

12:15 p.m. Hazing and bullying: Practical solutions
Learn practical solutions for dealing with hazing and bullying investigations, including allegations of "coach bullying" and anonymous complaints.
Donna M. Andrew, Esq., Pepple & Waggoner Ltd., Cleveland

1:15 p.m. Break

1:30 p.m. Booster best practices
Booster groups are an essential part of funding athletic and extracurricular programs. Join OSBA's director of legal services for a discussion of booster group best practices, ranging from building and maintaining relationships with your district's booster groups to appropriate money management procedures, booster risk and liability management and more.
Sara C. Clark, director of legal services, OSBA

2:15 p.m. Coaches: Contracts, compensation and evaluation
Hiring coaches can be a complicated process. Renewal and nonrenewal for licensed and unlicensed staff can create several difficult situations. Learn how to stay compliant with state law and negotiated agreements. Topics discussed will include hiring, evaluating and compensating coaches.
Margaret Lockhart, Esq., Marshall & Melhorn LLC, Toledo

3:15 p.m. Adjourn

This workshop is open to school board members, administrators, athletic directors and staff of districts that are members of OSBA. Unauthorized audio recording or videotaping of any session is strictly prohibited.

The workshop will be held at the Embassy Suites Columbus, 2700 Corporate Exchange Drive, Columbus, OH, 43231. The phone number is (614) 890-8600. Register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops or contact **Laurie Miller**, OSBA senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.



WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

**Management Development
Series #3: Bring the media
on board with proactive
communication tactics**
□ May 17, Columbus, \$95

**OCSBA School Attorney
Workshop**
□ June 16, Columbus, \$210

Sports Law Workshop
□ June 23, Columbus, \$165

OSBA Workshop Registration Form

Workshop name _____ Workshop date _____
Attendee name _____ Title _____
Daytime phone _____ Email _____
District/firm _____ County _____

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ or P.O.# _____ to cover _____ registration(s). Make checks payable to OSBA and mail to 8050 N. High St., Suite 100, Columbus, OH 43235-6481, fax to (614) 540-4100 or email **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org. Include a purchase order number with fax or email.



_____ *Please check here if you require special accommodations. Contact us or attach a written description of needs.*

Please photocopy this form for each person

OSBA workshop registration procedures

OSBA sends email confirmation of registration if an email address is provided. Registration is open to all boards and staff of OSBA members. "Walk-in" registrations are welcome on a space-available basis only. Please call OSBA to check the status of registration before you arrive at the workshop. To register, you must have a purchase order number or a check payable to OSBA and a completed registration form. You may register with a purchase order number by phone, fax, email or online 24 hours a day.

Award of Achievement/LPDC

Most workshops entitle members to Award of Achievement credits. Local Professional Development Committee certificates of attendance will be issued to all workshop attendees.

You may register on our website at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops. You will need a username and password.



Mail

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8050 N. High St.,
Suite 100, Columbus, OH
43235-6481



Phone
or fax

OSBA Registration Hotline,
(614) 540-4000, ext. 300;
toll free (800) 589-OSBA,
ext. 300; or fax us at
(614) 540-4100.



Email registrations can be sent to Laurie Miller at Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org. Please include a purchase order number.

Cancellation and refund policy

- Cancellations received by OSBA at least five workdays before the date of the workshop will receive a full refund or no charge to the district.
- Cancellations received less than five workdays before the date of the workshop will be charged half of the registration fee.
- No-shows and cancellations the day of the workshop will be charged the full registration amount.

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Northwest Region President **Robert McPheron, Bath Local (Allen)**, hosted the program, which began with greetings from Apollo Career Center Superintendent **Judy L. Wells**, OSBA President **Baba** and newly elected State Board of Education member **Linda Haycock**, who spoke to guests via video.

Lima-based construction planning and management firm Touchstone CPM sponsored the conference. Its president, **Nate Neuenschwander**, shared information about the Apollo Career Center renovation project.

Students in Apollo Career Center's culinary arts program and instructor **Carrie Hamilton-Prince** prepared and served dinner. **Seneca East Local's (Seneca)** Seneca East High School Jazz Band, directed by **Dana Willman**, provided entertainment.

The second annual Neil Pohlmann Award of Excellence in Education was presented to Dr. **Paul R. Lockwood II, North Point ESC and EHOVE Career Center**. The late Dr. Pohlmann touched the lives of many Bowling Green State University graduates who credit their successes to his guidance and care.

The conference also honored the region's 2016 president, **Jaimie L. Beamer**, **Seneca East Local** and **Vanguard-Sentinel Career and Technology Centers**, with an award and photo album.

Six school districts were recognized for their outstanding programs displayed at the 2016

OSBA Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair. ODE's All A and Momentum awards went to schools in 10 of the region's districts.

Eight board members were presented the Award of Achievement, and veteran board members with 10 and 20 years of service also were honored.

Other conference awards and recognitions included:

- Northwest Region Excellence in Community Service Award winners **Kristina White, Springfield Local (Lucas); Elena Oliver**, student, Bath Local's Bath Middle School; **Melissa Donald** and **Chrissy Hood**, advisors, **Lima City's** Lima Senior High School Big Spartans, Little Spartans DECA program; **Diane Font**, instructor, **Vantage Career Center**; **Ruth Hefner** and **Mabel Mozelle Saylor**, volunteers, Bath Local's Bath Elementary School; and Springfield Local board members **Rachel N. Geiger**, **Sherri Koback** and **Rick Helminski**.
- Northwest

Region Humanitarian Awards winners **Brendan Weidenhamer**, student, **Paulding EV's** Paulding Middle School; **Brenda Bruce**, **Abby Dellinger** and **Deb Johns**, Project Sole Hope, **Waynesfield-Goshen Local (Auglaize)**; **Linda Bayer**, volunteer, Springfield Local; and **Rosie Westerbeck**, student, **Minster Local (Auglaize)**. Project Sole won top honors in this category.

- Who's Who in the Northwest Region Excellence Award for Outstanding Leadership winners

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Riley Gough, student, Bath Local and Apollo Career Center; Dr. **Michael O'Shea**, Springfield Local superintendent; and **Ottawa Hills Local's (Lucas)** Ottawa Hills Elementary School Professional Learning Community Leadership Team.

Upcoming dates:

- June 5 — Northwest Region Executive Committee meeting at Bath Community Center, Lima
- Oct. 5 — Northwest Region Fall Conference at **Penta Career Center**
- Oct. 27 — Northwest Region Fall Conference at EHOVE Career Center

Southeast Region

*by Paul D. Mock
regional manager*

The Southeast Region enjoyed two well-attended spring conferences, with 210 registered guests. Region President **Michael Fador, St. Clairsville-Richland City and Belmont-Harrison Career Center**, presided over both conferences.

Jackson City's Jackson High School was the setting for the March 21 conference where members of the student council greeted guests and provided tours of the building. Senior **Paul Bowman**, an Eagle Scout, led the Pledge of Allegiance, and junior **Marshall Evans** offered the invocation.

Jackson City's Jackson High School Jazz Band, directed by **Aaron Rex**, entertained attendees before dinner catered by Rowdy's Smokehouse.

Belinda Kenley and **Rusty**

Bookman, Energy Optimizers, USA, and **Tonya Tullius**, The Schwendeman Agency Inc. and Ohio School Plan were recognized as conference sponsors.

The region honored 22 programs from 17 districts that participated in the 2016 OSBA Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair.

Award of Achievement recipient **Sharon E. Manson, Pike County Career Technology Center**, was recognized for 30 years of service. Nine board members were honored for 10 years of service.

The March 30 conference was held at **Franklin Local's (Muskingum)** Philo High School in Duncan Falls. Students from the high school's National Honor Society welcomed guests.

Students **Gabby Dobbins, James Henderson, William Hampton** and **Zoe Richards** from Franklin Local's Duncan Falls Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Principal **Dustan Henderson** delivered the invocation. Franklin Local Food Service Director **Phil Moore** and staff prepared dinner.

Franklin Local's Philo High School jazz band, directed by **Erin Brenning**, played during the social hour.

Three board members received the Award of Achievement, and veteran board members with 10, 15 and 20 years of service were honored. **Ruth M. Nau, Noble Local (Noble); Brent R. Porteus, River View Local (Coshocton);** and Dr. **Ralph Smith, Maysville**

Local (Muskingum), were honored for 30 years of service.

The region's 2016 president, **Bruce D. Nottke, Athens City and Tri-County Career Center**, will be recognized by his local board and receive a gavel and plaque for his service as 2016 region president.

Thanks to all districts that attended and contributed to the success at both locations. Your continued support of the Southeast Region is appreciated.

Southwest Region

*by Ronald J. Diver
regional manager*

Warren County Career Center in Lebanon hosted the Southwest Region Spring Conference March 14 with Region President **Mark Ewing, Batavia Local (Clermont)** and **Great Oaks Career Campuses**, presiding.

More than 300 guests attended the 18th consecutive spring conference. There were 316 registered, plus 60 members of the **Trotwood-Madison City's** Trotwood-Madison Middle School Choir, directed by **Herbert Jackson. Springboro Community City's** Springboro High School Air Force Jr. ROTC color guard, instructed by Master Sgt. **Michael Thiergart**, presented the colors.

Region President-elect **Scott Huddle, Mad River Local (Montgomery)**, led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence recognizing the unexpected passing of **Bruce E. Sucher, Vandalia-Butler City**, a longtime board

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member and community leader.

Audrey Stevens, the wife of the late **Warren Stevens**, received a bouquet of red carnations. Warren Stevens would have been the region's president this year. His daughter, **Shanee Marshall**, also attended the conference.

Warren County Career Center Superintendent **Maggie Hess** also received a bouquet of carnations and a plaque with the words "Friend of the Southwest." Hess, who is retiring, has been hugely supportive of the Southwest Region over the years.

OSBA President Baba and Executive Director Lewis presented certificates to veteran board members with 10, 15 and 20 years of service. A third of the 10-year board members, five of the six of the 15-year board members and 18 of the 22 20-year board members were in attendance.

Also honored were **Charles R. Cook, New Miami Local (Butler)**, for 30 years of service and **Dr. John Agle, Springfield-Clark Career Technology Center**, for 35 years.

Barbara Parry, Hamilton County ESC and **Great Oaks Career Campuses**, received recognition for 40 years of service.

The region's recognition program honored individuals in nine different categories:

- Outstanding administrator — **David Cairns, Warren County Career Center**;
- Outstanding classified staff member (students) — **Debbie Bailey, Goshen Local (Clermont)**;
- Outstanding classified staff

member (facilities) — **Taylor Secrist, Lebanon City**;

● Outstanding faculty member — **Thomas O'Neill, Butler Tech** and **Ross Local (Butler)**;

● Outstanding treasurer — **Robert Giuffre, Great Oaks Career Campuses**;

● Outstanding superintendent — **David Vail, Miamisburg City**

● Outstanding public/community relations person — **Megan Anthony, Greenon Local (Clark)**;

● Warren Stevens outstanding board member from a neighboring district — **Anne Marie Reames, Bellefontaine City** and **Ohio Hi-Point Career Technology Center**;

● Outstanding community business leader — **Bill Silles**, vice president of operations, Remtec Automation, nominated by Warren County Career Campuses.

Evans Nwankwo, president and CEO of Megan Construction Co., and founder of the NUWAY Foundation, was presented the 2017 President's Award.

The following board members were honored for earning Master Board Member status: **Michael Cremeans, Little Miami Local (Warren)** and **Warren County Career Center**; **Lynda O'Connor, Lakota Local (Butler)**; **Bobbie Grice, Little Miami Local** and **Warren County Career Center**; and **Hazel G. Rountree, Dayton City**. Twenty board members were honored with the Award of Achievement.

The ninth annual Effective School Board awards were

presented to a record 31 board and administrative teams. Thirty boards earned the gold level and one earned the silver level.

Additional activities will be taking place in the region. Nominations are being solicited to honor the region's outstanding student programs; the deadline is June 30. The region also will be mailing forms out for the 2018 Effective School Board awards.

The region is encouraging participation in the Student Achievement Fair at the Capital Conference.

The Aug. 7 region executive committee meeting will be held at the Mills Park Hotel following an afternoon of leisure in Yellow Springs.



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LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Jay Smith, deputy director of legislative services

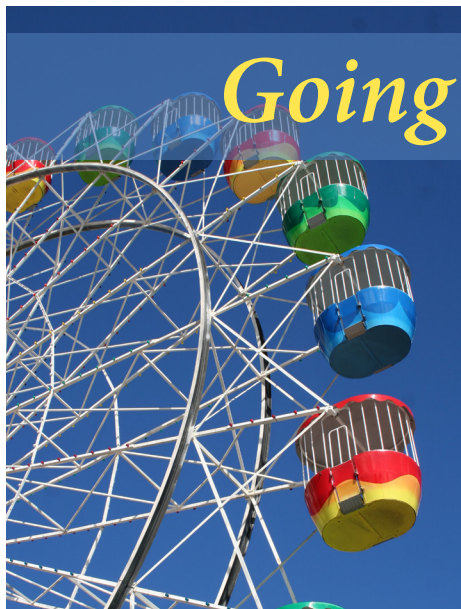
Ohio House makes changes to biennial budget legislation

The House Finance Committee recently accepted a substitute version of House Bill (HB) 49, the biennial budget bill. The substitute bill includes changes to Gov. **John R. Kasich's** proposal for education funding, adding approximately \$40 million in each year of the biennium to primary and secondary education.

The following are some of the changes contained in the House substitute bill:

- adds \$20 to per-pupil core opportunity aid, bringing the total to \$6,020 in each year of the biennium;
- raises the gain cap to 5.5% (from 5% in the executive budget proposal);
- raises the basis for Capacity Aid from 3.5 mills to 4 mills;
- contains a modified version of the Current Agricultural Use Value (CAUV) proposal contained in Senate Bill 36;
- places the Transportation Supplement outside the formula;
- includes a "fix" for power plant districts losing significant local tax dollars because of drastic reductions in public utility tangible personal property tax (TPP) valuation (limited to losses in tax year 2016);
- increases ESC per-pupil state payment amounts to \$25 for high-performing ESCs and \$23 for all other ESCs;
- removes the recommendation to add three nonvoting members to local boards of education representing the business community;
- removes the proposal to require educator externships;
- changes the cost to high schools for textbooks under College Credit Plus to 50% for each student;
- removes the College Credit Plus provision prohibiting districts from negotiating a credit hour price below the established floor rate;
- adds a provision that would require boards of education to pay property owners' legal fees when the board unsuccessfully challenges a property value that the board believes to be set too low;

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Scott Gerfen, assistant editor

Culinary students whip up feast for Mobile Meals fundraiser

Culinary arts students from **Penta Career Center** recently helped prepare a multicultural feast with dishes representing nine countries.

Proceeds from Whip It Up International, held April 21 at the Center for Fine and Performing Arts at Owens Community College in Perrysburg, benefitted Mobile Meals of Toledo's Weekender program.

The program serves bags of nutritious, nonperishable food to

area schoolchildren who would otherwise get inadequate nourishment from the time they leave school on a Friday afternoon until returning for breakfast Monday morning.

Currently, six **Toledo City** schools are enrolled in the program.

"It's kids that need experience helping other children in their community," Mobile Meals of Toledo Associate Executive Director **Carolyn Fox** told a local

newspaper.

Cathy Hammoud of the Islamic Center of Greater Toledo taught Penta students how to make authentic Lebanese kofta stew. Penta students made dishes representing cuisine from Brazil, China, Jamaica and Japan.

The Weekender program costs \$3.50 per child, with 1,500 children currently enrolled, Fox said.

Bags of nutritious food are sent home with children on Fridays.

Source: The Blade

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- removes a statutory requirement for a bid bond when purchasing school buses;
- eliminates the Ohio Teacher Residency Program.

Substitute (Sub.) HB 49 retains provisions to reduce state aid to districts on the Transitional Aid Guarantee due to enrollment loss and the executive proposal's reductions in the transportation formula. Also, the substitute bill does not address losses in TPP and public utility TPP replacement payments for fixed-rate TPP losses.

OSBA continues to be concerned with the current calculation of the State Share Index (SSI), which is used to determine the state and

local shares of funding for schools. We believe this method is flawed, and when combined with a relatively low per-pupil amount in the core opportunity aid, we see significantly more districts on the Transitional Aid Guarantee. Even with the increase in core opportunity aid funding contained in Sub. HB 49, it's not enough to overcome the problems with the calculation of SSI.

On April 27, OSBA, the Buckeye Association of School Administrators and the Ohio Association of School Business Officials testified before the House Finance Committee on Sub. HB 49. While we appreciate some of the changes made by the House to the

executive proposal, our organizations are concerned with many aspects of the current funding formula.

Over the next several weeks, the budget process will continue in the Ohio Senate. Now is the time to reach out to your local senator and discuss the impact of the school-funding formula, as well as other provisions contained in Sub. HB 49, on your local district. Please contact OSBA's Division of Legislative Services if you have questions on the budget bill or any other legislation moving through the legislature.

Editor's note: Information in this article was current as of May 1, 2017.

May

- 9 OSBA Master of Transportation Administration Program: Fleet compliance..... Columbus
- 10 *Last day for school district to file resolution of necessity, resolution to proceed and auditor's certification for bond levy with board of elections for August election — RC 133.18(D); last day for county auditor to certify school district bond levy terms for August election — RC 133.18(C); last day to submit continuing replacement, permanent improvement or operating levy for August election to board of elections — RC 5705.192, 5705.21, 5705.25; last day to certify resolution for school district income tax levy for August election to board of elections — RC 5748.02(C); last day to submit emergency levy for August election to board of elections — RC 5705.195; last day to submit phased-in levy or current operating expenses levy for August election to board of elections — RC 5705.251(A) (90 days prior to the election).*
- 15 *Last day for certain board members and administrators to file financial disclosure forms with the Ohio Ethics Commission — RC 102.02.*

- 17 Management Development Series #3: Bring the media on board with proactive communication tactics Columbus

June

- 1 *Last day to take action to nonrenew contracts of administrators other than superintendent and treasurer — RC 3319.02; last day to take action on and give written notice of intent not to re-employ teachers — RC 3319.11(D); last day to take action on and give written notice of intent not to re-employ nonteaching employees (Note: this requirement does not apply to municipal school district employees as defined in RC 3311.71) — RC 4141.29(I)(1) (f).*
- 11 Northwest Region Executive Committee meeting.....Bowling Green
- 16 OCSBA School Attorney Workshop.....Lewis Center
- 23 Sports Law Workshop Columbus
- 30 22016-2017 school year ends — RC 3313.62; end of third ADM reporting period — RC 3317.03(A)

July

- 1 2017-2018 school year begins — RC 3313.62; last day for board to notify teaching and nonteaching employees of succeeding year salaries — RC 3319.12, 3319.082;

- board may begin to adopt appropriation measure, which may be temporary — RC 5705.38(A) and (B); treasurer must certify available revenue in funds to county auditor — RC 5705.36(A)(1).*
- 10 *Last day for termination of teaching contract by a teacher without consent of the board of education — RC 3319.15; last day for voter registration for August election — RC 3503.01, 3503.19(A) (30 days prior to the election).*
- 15 Pre-Board Candidate Workshop.....Columbus
- 15 *Last day to adopt school library district tax budget on behalf of a library district — RC 5705.28(B)(1).*
- 25 *Last day to submit certification for November conversion levy to tax commissioner — RC 5705.219(B) (105 days prior to election).*
- 31 *Last day to adopt a plan to require students to access and complete online classroom lessons ("blizzard bags") in order to make up hours for which it is necessary to close schools — RC 3313.482(A)(1); last day to submit certification for November income tax levy to Ohio Department of Taxation — RC 5748.02(A) (100 days prior to election).*