

BRIEF CASE

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Streetsboro board member Denise Baba is OSBA president-elect nominee

The OSBA Nominating Committee has selected **Denise Baba, Streetsboro City**, as the association's 2016 OSBA president-elect nominee. If elected by the Delegate Assembly at OSBA's Capital Conference in November, she will become president in 2017 after her term as president-elect. Baba serves on the OSBA Board of Trustees, Executive Committee, Nominating Committee and Federal Relations Network. She also is OSBA Northeast Region immediate past president and serves on the region's executive committee. Current President-elect **Eric K. Germann, Lincolnview Local (Van Wert)** and **Vantage Career Center**, will become OSBA president on Jan. 1, 2016.

Capital Conference group rate an opportunity not to be missed

How would your school district like to send an unlimited number of people to the Capital Conference for one low price? The registration rate is \$275 per person for up to six people. But, when more than six people from a member school district register, a special group rate lets districts send as many individuals as they want to the conference for just \$1,700. Attendees can come for the whole conference or just for the sessions that cover their areas of expertise. Don't miss this chance to let your district leaders and staff take part in one of the nation's premier education events. For details, visit <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org> and click on the "Registration" link.

Registration for Capital Conference hotels opens Sept. 3

Hotel registration for the 2015 Capital Conference begins at 9 a.m. Sept. 3 on a first-come, first-served basis. You must be registered for the conference or exhibiting in the Trade Show to be eligible for conference lodging. After you are registered, your contact person will receive an email with the Web link to the conference housing site, along with a unique housing code. For more information, including a list of hotels in which OSBA has room blocks, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/15328>.

National Hispanic Heritage Month begins next month

Sept. 15 through Oct. 15 has been designated National Hispanic Heritage Month, a time to recognize Hispanic-Americans' contributions, heritage and culture. The program was launched in 1968. There are a number of resources school districts can use to plan activities and lessons, including: www.hispanicheritagemonth.org; <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/62696>; and www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov.

Deadline for OSBA Media Honor Roll is just two weeks away

The deadline for school districts to name reporters and editors to the 2015 OSBA Media Honor Roll is Sept. 8. The program enables school districts to recognize

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- ☐ Newly appointed board members

journalists covering their schools for fair and accurate reporting, and is designed to help districts build positive, productive relationships with their local media. For more information and to make your selections, visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/media-honorroll.

OSBA Book Club gearing up for another season

The OSBA Book Club was launched in 2013 to provide networking and professional development opportunities for board members, administrators, and staff. The new school year is starting off with a new round of books to read and then discuss in a webinar. The first book of this new season is *Move Your Bus: An Extraordinary New Approach to Accelerating Success in Work and Life* by noted educator and teacher developer **Ron Clark**. Information about joining the OSBA Book Club

and purchasing the book can be found at: <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/34431>. For more information, contact Deputy Director of School Board Services **Cheryl W. Ryan** at cryan@ohioschoolboards.org or (614) 540-4000, or see the ad on page 4.

Students' artwork colors pedestrian tunnel

Dublin City Schools students have been brightening the walls of a pedestrian tunnel with artwork that includes a mosaic and mural.

What began in 2013 as a mosaic that featured tiles and pieces of ceramics has evolved into 3-D sculptures and panels that cover the lower half of the tunnel walls.

The artwork is being produced by elementary school students under the supervision of Wyandot Elementary School art teacher **Sharon Buda**, who estimates more than 1,400 people ages 4 to 68 have been involved in the project, according to a local newspaper.

Additional work on the project will likely be completed this fall with mosaic themes of life in Dublin, the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium and the diversity of Dublin represented in clay portraits.

Source: *Dublin Villager, ThisWeek*

OSBA Student Achievement Fair still has some openings

It's not too late to nominate some of your district's exemplary student programs for the 2015 Student Achievement Fair. It's a great way to highlight the work going on in your schools. The fair, featuring 100 of Ohio's most outstanding school programs, is set for Nov. 10 during the OSBA Capital Conference. For details and to submit nominations, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/51980>.

OSBA online

● www.ohioschoolboards.org

The latest OSBA "Rapid Roundup" is posted at <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/79964>. The roundup — a two-minute video overview of the latest OSBA videos and public education news — also is delivered to member school districts embedded in the "OSBA Online" email. You can watch all of the videos or select just the segments that interest you.



Briefcase

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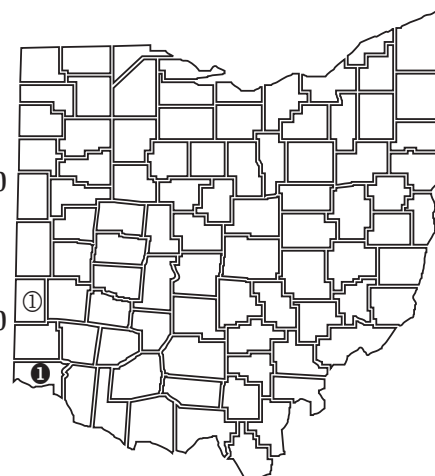
OSBA executive searches

Superintendent

District	Deadline	Contact
① Forest Hills Local (Hamilton)	TBD	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000

Treasurer

District	Deadline	Contact
① Eaton Community City	TBD	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000



Board changes

Liberty-Benton Local (Hancock) appointed **Shawn Lyon** to the board effective July 20. He replaced **Dana Morgan**, who is moving out of the district. ●●● McDonald Local (Trumbull) appointed **Jack Dugan** to the board effective Aug. 5. He replaced **Joseph Krumpak Jr.**, who resigned.

Administrative changes

Treasurers

Boardman Local (Mahoning) hired **L. Greg Slemons** as treasurer effective Aug. 1. He replaced **Richard Santilli**, who retired effective July 31. Slemons also will continue to serve as treasurer for **Lowellville Local (Mahoning)**. ●●● Lakota Local (Sandusky) hired **Norman M. Elchert** as treasurer effective Sept. 1. He will replace **Jennifer Hedrick**, who took the treasurer position at **Hopewell-Loudon Local (Seneca)**. Elchert currently is the treasurer at **Fostoria City**.

Sympathies

Former **Belpre City**, **Fort Frye Local (Washington)**, **Frontier Local (Washington)** and **Marietta City** Treasurer **David Bruce Combs** died July 30. He was 60. ●●● **Raymond Julius Luebbers**, a member of the former **Green Township** Board of Education in Summit County, died June 22. He was 94. ●●● Former **Hilliard City** Board of Education member **Charles Edward "Ed" Meyers** died Aug. 1. He was 86. ●●● Former **Lynchburg-Clay Local (Highland)** Board of Education member **Stanley W. Markey** died July 30. He was 71. ●●● Former **Yellow Springs** EV Superintendent **Lloyd George Benham** died July 18. He was 93.

Editor's note

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



NEWS

by Crystal Davis, editor

Trustees honor retirees, discuss HB 70's Youngstown plan

Saying goodbye is never easy, but it was one of the first orders of business for the OSBA Board of Trustees at its July 18 meeting. Trustees honored two association employees upon their retirement.

OSBA President **Ed Penrod**, **Logan-Hocking Local (Hocking)** and **Tri-County Career Center**, read a resolution thanking Senior Administrative Associate of Search Services **Debby Hoopes** for her 10

years of service. Hoopes, who worked in the Division of School Board Services, retired May 31. She was unable to attend the meeting to receive the resolution.

Director of School Board Services **Kathy LaSota** was presented with a resolution honoring her 12-year OSBA career and 43 years of serving Ohio public education. LaSota choked up as she thanked trustees and OSBA staff for their support over the years.

Penrod and OSBA Executive Director **Richard Lewis** also gave a resolution and several gifts to OSBA Immediate Past President **Susie Lawson**, **Tri-County ESC** and **Wayne County Schools Career Center**, thanking her for her service.

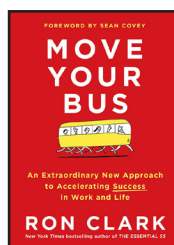
Among the reports presented at the meeting was one from the OSBA Audit Committee. Chair **Larry E. Holdren**, **Ohio Valley ESC** and **Washington County Career Center**, reported that an audit of OSBA's 2014 financial statements came back clean. Chief Financial Officer **Janice Smith** presented a financial report for the period Jan. 1 through June 30, 2015. OSBA President-elect **Eric K. Germann**, **Lincolnvlew Local (Van Wert)** and **Vantage Career Center**, gave an update on the

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The fall selection: *Move Your Bus: An Extraordinary New Approach to Accelerating Success in Work and Life*

Written by noted educator and teacher developer **Ron Clark**, *Move Your Bus* will help you develop and motivate the staff and leadership in your district and spur you and those you work with to find new ways to greater levels of achievement.



Webinars for this selection will be held on Sept. 17, Oct. 6 and Oct. 29.

Ready to join? Its easy:

- Sign up for the OSBA Book Club at www.ohioschoolboards.org/bookclub. Fill out the registration form for each person in your district joining the club to receive information about book discussions, author meetings and more.
- Follow the link sent to you to order a book for each participating reader. Discounted prices are available through OSBA's bookstore on www.amazon.com.
- Note the dates and times for the webinars in your calendar and participate in the statewide conversation. You'll receive a reminder about the webinars.
- Enjoy the read! OSBA is excited to create this opportunity for discussion in your district and across the state.

For questions or to join the OSBA Book Club, contact **Cheryl W. Ryan**, deputy director of school board services, at (614) 540-4000 or cryan@ohioschoolboards.org.

Sign up today at www.ohioschoolboards.org/bookclub!

OSBA Board Candidate Workshops

Are you “retiring” from board service? Do you otherwise anticipate an opening on your board of education? If so, OSBA encourages you and others on your board to consider community members who have the potential to be great board members. Please invite and encourage them — and others — to attend one of five Board Candidate Workshops to be held in August and September.

These five sessions, conducted by OSBA experts, will lead candidates through a concise and valuable program to help them better understand the everyday roles and responsibilities of school board members and the legal aspects of being a board member. The cost to attend is \$95.

The dates and locations are:

Aug. 27 — Northeast Ohio Medical University, Rootstown

Sept. 1 — Hilton Garden Inn Dayton South, Miamisburg

Sept. 2 — Hilton Garden Inn, Findlay

Sept. 10 — Ohio University Inn, Athens

Sept. 12 — OSBA office, Columbus

Directions to each location are on the OSBA website at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops. All sessions (except Sept. 12) run from 6 p.m.–9 p.m., with registration and buffet beginning at 5:30 p.m. The session on Sept. 12 runs from 9 a.m.–noon, with registration and breakfast beginning at 8:30 a.m.

For those unable to attend a workshop, a Board Candidate Webinar will be held Wednesday, Sept. 30 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. This webinar also can be purchased after Sept. 30 to view at your convenience. The webinar covers board roles and responsibilities and legal and campaign finance issues. The cost of the webinar is \$50 (price includes sales tax).

To register for these events, contact **Laurie Miller**, OSBA senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.



Find the best candidate

OSBA has exclusive rights to the Achiever, a candidate assessment tool used during the executive search process. The Achiever measures six cognitive learning skills with 10 personality dimensions to create a comprehensive candidate profile.

Coupled with OSBA’s extensive experience in executive searches and track record for success, the Achiever can help you determine the right candidate for your district. OSBA’s experienced consultants can help you through this process to ensure your executive search is very successful.

To learn how the Achiever assessment can help you hire the right candidate for your district, contact **Cheryl W. Ryan** at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA. Visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/administrative-searches to learn more.

2015 Treasurers' Clinics

*Sharing knowledge, developing solutions
and growing professionally*

- ◆ *Designed for treasurers, business managers, board members, administrators and treasurer's office personnel*
- ◆ *Attend general sessions and breakout sessions*
- ◆ *Fulfill local and state professional development needs, including CPE and auditor of state in-service credits*
- ◆ *Six convenient locations across Ohio*

Choose the date and location that best fits your schedule:

Tuesday, Sept. 15	Embassy Suites, Columbus
Wednesday, Sept. 16	Northeast Ohio Medical University, Rootstown
Tuesday, Oct. 6	Ohio University Inn and Conference Center, Athens
Tuesday, Oct. 13	Hilton Garden Inn Toledo Perrysburg, Perrysburg
Thursday, Oct. 15	Hilton Garden Inn Dayton South, Miamisburg
Wednesday, Oct. 21	Kent State University at Tuscarawas, New Philadelphia

Plan now to attend the 2015 OSBA Treasurers' Clinics to be held in six locations around the state. These clinics provide the most current information on school district fiscal issues. Treasurers, business managers, board members, administrators and treasurer's office personnel are encouraged to attend.

The Treasurers' Clinics offer timely information on a multitude of topics relevant to all members of a district's management team. Attendees also can fulfill their local and state professional development needs, including in-service, LPDC and continuing professional education credits.

Registration and continental breakfast begin at 8 a.m. The fee is \$160, which includes registration, continental breakfast, lunch and materials. You can register by contacting **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000; (800) 589-OSBA; or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.

Management Development Series #3

Examining curriculum and assessments

Wednesday, Sept. 9
OSBA office, Columbus

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Cost is \$90



This workshop will provide an overview of some of the recent changes to curriculum and assessments, as well as a more detailed look at new programs and requirements. Get information about the new College Credit Plus program, as well as the new career advising and student success plan requirements, graduation requirements and an update on assessments, including the recent safe harbor provisions.

9:30 a.m. Registration

9:55 a.m. Welcome and overview

10 a.m. Policy considerations

OSBA policy consultants discuss policy considerations associated with the recent changes to curriculum and assessments. Topics will include details on College Credit Plus, career advising and student success plans and changes to graduation requirements. Presenters also will discuss other changes to curriculum and assessments stemming from recent legislation.

10:45 a.m. Break

11 a.m.

Legislative considerations: how did we get here and where are we going

OSBA Deputy Director of Legislative Services **Jay Smith** provides an overview of the legislative process that created our current system and discuss potential changes. Learn about recent and pending legislation.

Lunch (provided)

Legal considerations

An attorney from Bricker and Eckler LLP discusses recent curriculum and assessment changes, including safe harbor provisions, local report cards and college and career assessments.

2 p.m.

Closing thoughts and adjourn

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. 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.

Social media: How to engage your community before, during and after a crisis

Friday, Oct. 2, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. • Cost \$150

OSBA office, 8050 N. High St., Columbus, (614) 540-4000

In today's technological world, social media can open lines of communication with constituents in ways that encourage feedback and learning while creating advocacy for a district and its schools. In essence, social media is a tool districts must have in their communication tool box to encourage strong, two-way communication; engage community members; provide a more transparent and authentic understanding of a district's mission and goals; and control messages.

In this workshop, attendees will identify potential issues associated with social media and learn how to proactively address unintended consequences using social media best practices. Attendees also will learn how to build their social media audiences by helping individuals with a wide range of perspectives understand proper participation in social media. Finally, school district leaders who have expanded their audiences will show how they used social media to control the message and communicate facts during a crisis. Social media is a strong tool that can engage communities, including senior citizens, and allow districts to be the first to deliver messages.

The cost is \$150, which includes registration, materials, lunch and light refreshments. 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.





2015 OSBA Intensive Legal Workshop

Thursday, Oct. 1 • 9 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

OSBA office, 8050 N. High St., Columbus

Cost: \$150

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

9 a.m. Child abuse and neglect: a coordinated response

Child abuse and neglect cases require districts and county children services agencies to work closely together. Learn about reporting requirements, student interviews conducted on district property, potential attendance and tuition issues and more.

Anne C. O'Leary, Esq., general counsel, Franklin County Children Services; Matthew John Markling, Esq., and Patrick Vrobel, Esq., McGown & Markling Co. LPA, Akron; and Janie Gildersleeve, truant officer, Jefferson Area Local (Ashtabula) Schools

10 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. Breaking up with the superintendent or treasurer

Issues may arise when a superintendent or treasurer resigns or is terminated mid-contract. Learn how your district can handle buyouts, settlements, termination proceedings and other public relations concerns that may arise.

Jennifer Stiff Tomlin, Esq., Scott, Scriven & Wahoff LLP, Columbus

11 a.m. Transgender students and staff in schools

Review the legal issues and rights surrounding transgender students and staff and get practical tips for working with students, parents, teachers and communities.
Sara C. Clark, director of legal services, OSBA

11:45 a.m. Lunch (provided)

12:30 p.m. Legislative update

Get up-to-date on recent legislation that directly impacts your school district.
Jennifer Hogue, lobbyist, OSBA

1:15 p.m. Break

1:30 p.m. Employment law update

Review the latest employment law updates, including major changes to the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Family Medical Leave Act and employee health care. Learn how these changes will affect your district.
Beverly A. Meyer, Esq., Cooper, Gentile, Washington & Meyer Co. LPA, Dayton

2:15 p.m. Employees and social media: can they really say that?

District employees are using social media for personal and school purposes. Review a district's ability to discipline employees' use of social media. Leave with practical tips to take back to your district.

Megan D. Maurer, Esq., Pepple & Waggoner Ltd., Cleveland

Unauthorized audio recording or videotaping of any session is strictly prohibited.

3:15 p.m. Adjourn

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.



Administrative Professionals Workshop

Friday, Oct. 9
10 a.m.-2 p.m.

OSBA office, Columbus
Cost is \$90

Administrative assistants often are the backbone of central offices and school buildings. Every program and event runs through their workspaces and every community member who comes in meets them before anyone else. Districts successful in maintaining positive relationships with their communities have very capable staffs.

Agenda

9:30 a.m. Registration and coffee

10 a.m. **When your district is on the ballot**
Best practices for you, other staff members and the board of education.

10:30 a.m. **When the media calls**
What to share and how to share it, including proactive messaging and social media best practices.

11 a.m. **When two heads are better than one**
Small-group scenarios and discussion.

11:30 a.m. Lunch

12:15 p.m. **When your boss changes**
Having the “How I work best” conversation, comparing expectations and cultural orientation for the new person.

1 p.m. **When the paper piles up**
Policies for records and board minutes retention, determining what information can be shared and handling public records requests best practices.

1:45 p.m. **Wrap-up**
Questions and follow-up.

To register, contact **Laurie Miller**, senior events manager, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org.

Management Development Series #4

Recent legislative changes and board policy

Thursday, Oct. 15
OSBA office, Columbus

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Cost is \$90



There have been many board policy updates resulting from recent legislative changes. Is your district in compliance with and aware of the changes that need to be made in the next few months stemming from the budget bill and other legislation? This workshop will provide a foundational overview of some of the recent changes, as well as a more detailed discussion of new programs and requirements. Presenters will provide information about changes to the Ohio teacher and principal evaluation systems, as well as an introduction to the new school counselor evaluation system. The workshop also will include information on recent budget bill changes, including updates to the third-grade reading guarantee and College Credit Plus program.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. 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.

OSBA MASTER OF TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION (MTA) PROGRAM

Don't miss the kickoff of the 2015-16 MTA program. This series of workshops will help those involved in student transportation better understand and perform day-to-day operations.

These half-day workshops — offered from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. — include a working lunch and time for questions. Each class is scheduled twice; participants may sign up for either session. All workshops will be at the OSBA office, 8050 N. High St., Columbus, 43235. Visit www.ohioschoolboards.org/transportation-training-programs to learn about the MTA certification program.



Workshop dates and descriptions

Oct. 14 or 20 — T-reports and state funding

Review the required data and how to report it to the Ohio Department of Education. Learn how the fiscal data is used to calculate school funding. Review driver qualification data, what needs to be entered and how to manage the data once entered.

Nov. 18 or 24 — The state and local budget process

Learn about the state budget process, including how the biennial budget is created. Review school transportation budgets, how to create one and how to use previous budgets and cost analysis to forecast expenses. Finally, review what to do when state funding comes up short, and how transportation can be involved in various levy campaigns.

Dec. 9 — Transportation rules and regulations

Review the federal, state and local rules and regulations that govern student transportation. This class is essential for new transportation administrators, as well as any school administrator involved in student transportation.

Feb. 3 or 9 — Federal regulations, guidance and agencies

Learn about federal agencies, rules and regulations. Review the federal alphabet soup, including FMCSA, NHTSA, NTSB, TSB and ODI and the impacts that these have on daily transportation operations.

April 6 or 12 — Laws, rules and policy

What is the difference between revised code, administrative code and department policy? Where does local board policy fit in? Are they all mandates or just best practices? Review the process through which ideas become a rule or regulation, and how to influence this process.

May 4 or 10 — Hot topics, safety, trends and statistics

Review hot topics in student transportation, including seat belts in school buses. Learn about National Transportation Safety Board accident studies, Ohio school bus accident statistics and any topics that attendees bring from their local districts.

Register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/workshops. You also can purchase a subscription plan for all the workshops in this series. For questions about the program or to register, contact **Diana Paulins**, OSBA senior administrative assistant of policy services, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or mta@ohioschoolboards.org.

OSBA's Regional Annual Fall Conferences

Central Region Wednesday, Sept. 30
Northeast Region Wednesday, Oct. 7
Northwest Region Thursday, Oct. 1

Northwest Region Wednesday, Oct. 14
Southeast Region Thursday, Sept. 24
Southwest Region Thursday, Oct. 8

To register for your region's annual fall conference, contact your regional manager at the address below. Information also is available at www.ohioschoolboards.org/regions.

Central Region, Sept. 30

Villa Milano, Columbus

Cost: \$40 per person or \$320 for a table of eight

Reservation deadline: Sept. 20

Contact: Kim Miller-Smith
Central regional manager
15046 Harbor Point Drive West
Thornville, OH 43076

Phone: (614) 635-1926

Email: kmillersmith@ohioschoolboards.org

Northeast Region, Oct. 7

The Galaxy Restaurant, Wadsworth

Cost: \$40

Reservation deadline: Oct. 1

Contact: Reno Contipelli
Northeast regional manager
52 Marko Lane
Brooklyn Heights, OH 44131

Phone: (330) 485-3731

Email: rcontipelli@ohioschoolboards.org

Northwest Region, Oct. 1

Lima Senior High School, Lima

Cost: \$30 per person or \$160 for a table of six

Reservation deadline: Sept. 24

Contact: Dr. Judy Jackson May
Northwest regional manager
1513 Cobblestone Drive
Bowling Green, OH 43402

Phone: (419) 581-9782

Fax: (419) 372-8448

Email: jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org

Northwest Region, Oct. 14

Penta Career Center, Perrysburg

Cost: \$30 per person or \$160 for a table of six

Reservation deadline: Oct. 7

Contact: Dr. Judy Jackson May
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Fax: (419) 372-8448

Email: jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org

Southeast Region, Sept. 24

Logan High School, Logan

Cost: \$38

Reservation deadline: Sept. 18

Contact: Paul D. Mock
Southeast regional manager
685 E. Main St.
Logan, OH 43138

Phone: (740) 469-2724

Fax: (740) 380-2487

Email: pmock@ohioschoolboards.org

Southwest Region, Oct. 8

Warren County Career Center, Lebanon

Cost: \$38

Reservation deadline: Oct. 2

Contact: Ronald J. Diver
Southwest regional manager
8797 Meadowlark Drive
Franklin, OH 45005

Phone: (937) 634-9025

Email: rdiver@ohioschoolboards.org

Authority for reimbursement

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. Such funds may be used for expenses incurred for meetings such as this one.

Award of Achievement

These conferences entitle board members to five Award of Achievement credits.



WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Board Candidate Workshops

- ☐ Aug. 27, Rootstown, \$95
- ☐ Sept. 1, Miamisburg, \$95
- ☐ Sept. 2, Findlay, \$95
- ☐ Sept. 10, Athens, \$95
- ☐ Sept. 12, Columbus, \$95

MDS #3: Examining curriculum and assessments

- ☐ Sept. 9, Columbus, \$90

Treasurers' Clinics

- ☐ Sept. 15, Columbus, \$160
- ☐ Sept. 16, Rootstown, \$160
- ☐ Oct. 6, Athens, \$160
- ☐ Oct. 13, Perrysburg, \$160
- ☐ Oct. 15, Miamisburg, \$160
- ☐ Oct. 21, New Philadelphia, \$160

Board Candidate Webinar

- ☐ Sept. 30, \$50

Intensive Legal Workshop

- ☐ Oct. 1, Columbus, \$150

Social media: How to engage your community before, during and after a crisis

- ☐ Oct. 2, Columbus, \$150

Administrative Professionals Workshop

- ☐ Oct. 9, Columbus, \$90

MDS #4: Recent legislative changes and board policy

- ☐ Oct. 15, Columbus, \$90

OSBA MTA program

- ☐ Oct. 14, Columbus, \$90
- ☐ Oct. 20, Columbus, \$90
- ☐ Nov. 18, Columbus, \$90
- ☐ Nov. 24, Columbus, \$90
- ☐ Dec. 9, Columbus, \$90
- ☐ Feb. 3, Columbus, \$90
- ☐ Feb. 9, Columbus, \$90
- ☐ April 6, Columbus, \$90
- ☐ April 12, Columbus, \$90
- ☐ May 4, Columbus, \$90
- ☐ May 10, Columbus, \$90

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 Web page 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.



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43235-6481



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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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OSBA Investment Committee, stating that the composition of the committee was complete.

Trustees approved the makeup of a new liaison committee of school board members that will meet regularly with the Ohio High School Athletic Association to serve as a “sounding board and to provide the perspective of Ohio’s elected school board members.”

Trustees voted to have the committee composed of one member appointed by each region, along with a member from each region to be jointly selected by OSBA’s president and executive director. Each region will recommend candidates that

OSBA’s president and executive director can choose from, with the intent of providing diverse representation on the committee.

OSBA Director of Legislative Services **Damon Asbury** presented a legislative update. The board also set aside time to discuss House Bill (HB) 70 and a last-minute amendment to the bill focusing on **Youngstown City** and other districts in academic distress. The amendment requires that state and city leaders appoint a five-member academic distress commission that will hire a CEO who will have full managerial and operational control of the district. The board of education would

have no control over the CEO.

After a lengthy dialogue on how to show support for the Youngstown City Board of Education, the trustees, on a subsequent conference call, unanimously approved an OSBA resolution opposing HB 70.

In other business, Deputy Executive Director **Rob Delane** discussed the upcoming annual trustee self-assessment survey; Lewis provided an update on National School Boards Association activities; and Lawson asked for input to help the OSBA Nominating Committee select the nominee for OSBA president-

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

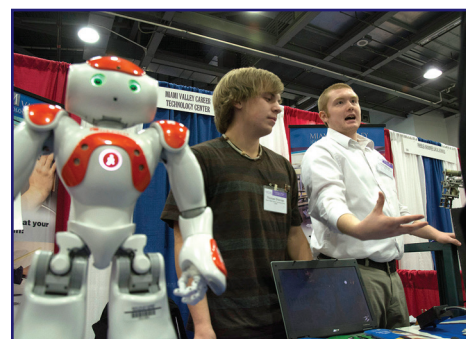
Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2015 • 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. • Greater Columbus Convention Center

The OSBA Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair highlights outstanding student performance groups and fresh, innovative initiatives from school districts across the state. The fair will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2015, during the OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show.

Student Achievement Fair district programs

OSBA is accepting nominations for district programs that improve student achievement. For more ideas, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/60021> to view the list of 2014 Student Achievement Fair district programs.

One hundred programs highlighting student achievement will be selected. The online application is available at <http://conference.ohioschoolboards.org/2015/saf-nominations>.



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elect. Reports and updates also were given on the Region Restructuring Committee, OSBA Capital Conference, Ohio

Constitutional Modernization Commission and the Visionary Initiatives for Strategic Action plan.

The next OSBA Board of Trustees meeting is Nov. 8 during the OSBA Capital Conference in Columbus.



INFORMATION

by Amanda Finney, senior marketing coordinator

OSBA hires communication manager, transfers receptionist

OSBA recently hired a new communication manager and transferred one of its part-time receptionists to another division.

Scott Gerfen joined OSBA in July as a communication manager in the Division of Communication Services. He replaced **Bryan Bullock**, who moved out of state.

Former receptionist **Gwen Samet** is now a part-time administrative associate in the Division of School Board Services.

She replaced **Debby Hoopes**, who retired in May.

Gerfen's primary responsibilities include writing and editing for OSBA's publications and website, coordinating and overseeing the association's social media, serving as a staff photographer and consulting with members on communication issues.

A Marion native, Gerfen is a graduate of **River Valley Local's (Marion) River Valley High School**

and earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from Ohio State University. He came to OSBA from the Ohio Consumers' Counsel, where was a public affairs liaison and lobbyist. He also worked as a freelance writer for *ThisWeek* newspapers. A seasoned journalist, Gerfen served for more than 15 years as a news anchor and reporter for iHeartMedia Inc. radio.

He can be reached at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or sgerfen@ohioschoolboards.org.

Samet moved to her new position in July. She joined OSBA as a receptionist in 2011.

Her primary duties include providing support services for executive searches, consulting projects, workshops and other programs. In addition to answering phone calls, data entry, copying and filing, she helps plan and coordinate the Student Achievement Fair at the OSBA Capital Conference.

She can be reached by calling the phone numbers listed above or at gsamet@ohioschoolboards.org.

Administrative salary analysis

Need help determining how to compensate your administrators? It's more complicated than most people think, and OSBA has considerable experience in this area. We are able to assist school districts with a variety of important initiatives, including:

- compensation/classification system design
- job description creation/modification
- performance evaluation system design

For more information, contact **Van D. Keating**, director of management services, at (614) 540-4000, (800) 589-OSBA or vkeating@ohioschoolboards.org.



PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Scott Gerfen, assistant editor

Goshen junior wins international essay contest

A **Goshen Local (Clermont)** high school junior who used to fear public speaking has won an international essay contest.

Arleigh Smith, 16, won first place for her age group in the Fraternal Order of Eagles God, Flag and Country essay contest.

Smith and the other top winners had to recite their essays from memory within three minutes. Contestants also were judged on stage presence.

"I used to be very shy, and I had

trouble speaking in public," Smith told a local newspaper. "But ever since I entered this program, it's given me a lot more confidence in school and outside of the classroom. It's also brought me a lot closer to my family."

As a contest winner, Smith collected more than \$3,000 at the state and international levels of the competition. She is saving the money for college with the intent of attending Ohio State or Ohio universities. She plans to major in

chemical engineering or veterinary medicine.

Smith competed against nearly 100 young people in a contest that's designed to encourage them to learn more about their country, its history and their religion.

Smith's father, **Troy**, who is principal of the district's Marr/Cook Elementary School, competed in the same contest in the past and her younger sister, **Taylor**, also competed this year.

Source: cincinnati.com



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

compiled by Angela Penquite, assistant editor

Funds for classroom gardens

The Herb Society of America will select five classrooms to receive a grant to establish an outdoor herb garden. Other classrooms will be chosen to receive indoor windowsill gardens.

Maximum awards: \$200

Eligibility: teachers of grades three to six who have at least 15 students in their class

Deadline: Oct. 1

Contact: <http://herbsociety.org/resources/samull-grant.html>

NEA Foundation Learning & Leadership grants

The National Education Association (NEA) provides grants for public school teachers, faculty and staff. Grants are awarded for one of two purposes: to fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences, such as summer institutes, conferences or action research, or to fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson plan

development or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment. All professional development must improve practice, curriculum and student achievement.

Maximum awards: \$2,000

Eligibility: K-12 public school teachers and public school education support professionals

Deadline: Oct. 15

Contact: www.neafoundation.org/pages/grants-to-educators

August 2015

- 24 Last day to file (by 4 p.m.) as a write-in candidate for November general election — RC 3513.041 (72 days prior to the election).
27 Board Candidate Workshop Rootstown

September 2015

- 1 Board Candidate Workshop Miamisburg
2 Board Candidate Workshop Findlay
9 Management Development Series #3 Workshop Columbus
10 Board Candidate Workshop Athens
12 Board Candidate Workshop .. Columbus
15 Treasurers' Clinic Columbus
16 Treasurers' Clinic Rootstown
24 Southeast Region Fall Conference Logan
30 Board Candidate Webinar
30 Central Region Fall Conference Columbus

October 2015

- 1 Intensive Legal Workshop Columbus
1 Northwest Region Fall Conference Lima
1 Last day for board to adopt annual appropriation measure — RC 5705.38(B).

- 2 Social media: How to engage your community before, during and after a crisis Columbus
5 Last day for voter registration for November election — RC 3503.01, 3503.19(A) (30 days prior to the election).
6 Treasurers' Clinic Athens
7 Northeast Region Fall Conference Wadsworth
8 Southwest Region Fall Conference Lebanon
9 Administrative Professionals Workshop Columbus
13 Treasurers' Clinic Perrysburg
14 OSBA MTA Program: T-reports and state funding Columbus
14 Northwest Region Fall Conference Perrysburg
15 Treasurers' Clinic Miamisburg
15 Management Development Series #4 Workshop Columbus
15 Last day for certification of licensed employees to State Board of Education — RC 3317.061.
16 School Law for Treasurers Workshop Columbus
20 OSBA MTA Program: T-reports and state funding Columbus
21 Treasurers' Clinic New Philadelphia
22 Pre-general campaign finance reports must be filed by certain candidates, political action

- committees, caucus committees (legislative campaign funds) and political parties (by 4 p.m.) detailing contributions and expenditures from the last day reflected in the previous report through Oct. 14, 2015 — RC 3517.10(A)(1).
31 End of first ADM reporting period— RC 3317.03(A).

November 2015

- 1 Last day for classroom teachers to develop online classroom lessons ("blizzard bags") to make up hours for which it was necessary to close schools — RC 3313.482.
3 General election day — RC 3501.01 (first Tuesday after the first Monday).
8-11 OSBA Capital Conference and Trade Show Columbus
8 Northwest Region Executive Committee meeting Columbus
8 Southeast Region Executive Committee meeting Columbus
8 Southwest Region Executive Committee meeting Columbus
9 Central Region Executive Committee meeting Columbus
18 OSBA MTA Program: The state and local budget process Columbus
24 OSBA MTA Program: The state and local budget process Columbus