

**THE ALLIANCE FOR
HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

July 26, 2023

Vice-Chairperson Trent Bowers called to order a video conference meeting for the Executive Committee of the Alliance for High Quality Education at 9:35 a.m. on July 26, 2023.

Those members in attendance from the Executive Committee were:

Scot Prebles	Bay Village City School District
Jason Fine	Bexley City School District
Mike Hanlon	Chardon Local School District
Brian Poe	Copley-Fairlawn City School District
John Marschhausen	Dublin City School District
Chad Hilliker	ESC of Hamilton County
Jeff Brown	Granville Exempted Village School District
Greg Sears	Kings Local School District
Steve Estep	Mariemont City School District
Mike Barnes	Mayfield City School District
Thomas Hosler	Perrysburg Exempted Village School District
Michael Shoaf	Rocky River City School District
Kathi Powers	Twinsburg City School District
Rob O'Leary	Vandalia-Butler City School District
Trent Bowers	Worthington City School District

Also, present, Alliance Executive Director Tony Podojil and William Schwartz, Legislative Consultant representing The WRS Group LLC.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session was held.

MINUTES

Executive Committee meeting minutes from June 2023, were electronically distributed to members prior to this meeting for their review.

John Marschhausen moved, and Scot Prebles seconded the approval of the minutes for June 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Fiscal Report

Tony Podojil provided a summary of the financial activity for June 2023. A review of our current revenue position and expenditure projections indicates that the budget finished within our targets for the year as well as meeting our intended targets of 6 months of cash reserve and 3 months set aside for special projects at our current monthly expenditure rate.

A copy of the financial report was electronically distributed to members prior to the meeting.

Jason Fine moved, and Michael Shoaf seconded the approval of the fiscal reports for June 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Major Bills Under Consideration:

1. Budget

- a. **HB 33 (Edwards) Main Operating Budget (As signed by Governor)**
 - *Final Funding Formula*
 - *10% Minimum Floor*
 - *Vouchers, Transportation, Literacy*

Gov. Mike DeWine on July 4 signed into law House Bill 33, the biennial budget bill, with 44 line-item vetoes. Key changes for Alliance districts include continuing the phase-in of the school funding formula, updating the base cost inputs to fiscal year 2022, and increasing the minimum state share percentage from 5% to 10%.

Other changes include establishing universal eligibility for Ed Choice vouchers and increasing the maximum voucher amounts to \$8,407 for high school and \$6,165 for K-8. Transportation changes will continue using the Transportation Monitoring Compliance System with noncompliance occurring at five consecutive days or ten cumulative days in a school year. \$174 million will be provided to districts to support purchases of curriculum, instructional materials, and professional development aligned to the Science of Reading.

The Alliance will hold a legislative zoom meeting on Friday this week to update memberships on the full details of the budget bill.

2. Other Bills Under Consideration

- *Anticipated Bills for Fall session*
 - HB 8 - Parents Bill of Rights
 - HB 68 - SAFE Act and Save Women's Sports Act
 - HB 103 - Social Studies Task Force
 - HB 183 - The Bathroom Bill
 - HB 211 - Free to Speak Act
 - HB 214 - Policy on Staff
 - HB 216 - Compliance on Bullying Laws
 - SB 49 - RED Act
 - SB 104/HB 219 - College Credit Plus

3. ODE/State Board of Education

- a. **ODE transition to ODEW.**
- b. **State Board of Education Transition**

The Alliance was invited by the Governor's office to participate in a stakeholder meeting to provide feedback and suggestions regarding the skills, knowledge, and experiences to consider when selecting the Director of Education and Workforce. The group we participated in included representatives from the Gifted community, ESC and Chorus.

B. Membership

1. **Berea** – Has indicated that they are not participating as a member during the 23/24 school year.
2. **Executive Committee Member Recommendations (Cleveland/Cincinnati)**

Tom Burton (Cincinnati Region) and Bob Scott (Cleveland Region) are retiring and will need to have their positions on the Executive Committee filled. Executive Committee members gave Tony recommendations for replacements to reach out to in August and confirm decisions at our meeting in September.

LEGISLATIVE / ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE REPORT

The next meeting will be held July 28, 2023, at 10 a.m. via Zoom.

OLD BUSINESS

No business discussed in this section.

NEW BUSINESS


No business discussed in this section.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chairperson Trent Bowers adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2023, via Zoom invite and in person at the BASA Office.

CERTIFICATE

I, Trent Bowers, Vice-Chairperson, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes from the Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Alliance for High Quality Education held July 26, 2023.



Trent Bowers, Vice-Chairperson



Tony Podajil, Executive Director