I. CALL TO ORDER
The Board of Education of Ohio County met in regular session on Monday, April 24, 2017, called to order by Mr. Abraham, Board President, at 6:01 p.m., in the Board Room of the Board of Education offices at 2203 National Road, Wheeling, West Virginia, for the purpose of General Business.

BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING: Mr. Zachary T. Abraham, President, Mr. Timothy B. Birch, Ms. Christine N. Carder, Ms. Sarah C. Koegler, Mr. Shane M. Mallett, and Dr. Kimberly S. Miller, Superintendent.

II. SUPERINTENDENT’S INFORMATION
Dr. Miller provided the following information:
- Welcomed everyone to the Board of Education.
- Wheeling Park High School held their Prom on Saturday, April 22, 2017, with the theme Welcome to New York. She said the administration did a great job, the kids were wonderful, and it was a wonderful event.
- Ohio County Schools had several Math Field Day winners, and those students will be recognized at a board meeting in the near future.
- The West Virginia General Summative Assessment test has started. Our students are working very hard, and we encourage them to do their very best.
- The punch list is being finished at Ritchie Elementary School as we near the end of the project.
- Steenrod Elementary School received 3rd Place at the state Social Studies Fair, and those students will be recognized at a board meeting in the near future.

III. MOMENT FOR MISSION
Ohio County Schools Mission statement: Providing exceptional learning experiences in a safe and healthy environment that prepare every student to achieve success. Mr. Abraham had said the reason for doing Moment For Mission is to share stories relevant to what board members and central office administrators have experienced:
- Ms. Koegler stated she heard great things about the Prom and that it was a safe and positive experience. She was grateful to all the adults and staff that were there and taking care of our kids. Ms. Koegler also noted two of our students were winners at the state Math Field Day competition. She said this is a good reminder of us constantly raising the bar for our students.
- Mr. Birch echoed Ms. Koegler. He stated he was glad to read all the nice things on Facebook after the Prom, and is excited to hear about the Charity Basketball Game with the Pittsburgh Steelers coming up on Friday, May 5, 2017.
- Ms. Carder recognized and thanked Reverend Darrel Cummings of the Bethlehem Apostolic Temple and all the volunteers who helped with their food basket giveaway. She said the event is an asset to our community.
- Mr. Abraham stated he is looking forward to Wheeling Park High School’s production of Cinderella held at the Performing Arts Center on April 28, 29, and 30, 2017.

IV. DELEGATIONS
There were no delegations in attendance.

V. PARADE OF CHAMPIONS
“A” School Designation: Dr. Miller introduced Dr. James Wilson, West Virginia State Board of Education Member. Dr. Wilson reported three schools in Ohio County received the School of Excellence for Distinctive Student Performance. He presented the schools with a plaque from the West Virginia Board of Education and the West Virginia Department of Education that states, “For the Implementation of a High Quality Educational School Program and Achieving the Grade of “A” in the West Virginia Accountability System.” Dr. Wilson introduced and presented the plaques to Steenrod Elementary School (Ms. Michelle
Dietrich, Principal), Bridge Street Middle School (Ms. Raquel McLeod, former Principal, and Mr. Joe Kolb, Principal), and Triadelphia Middle School (Ms. Ann Coleman, Principal). Dr. Wilson stated there are 152 middle schools in West Virginia, and there were only 12 with the Grade of “A”; there are 400 elementary schools in West Virginia, and there were only 21 with the Grade of “A”. He noted Ohio County had a very high percentage in the state. Dr. Wilson thanked the board and administration, and stated he appreciated presenting the awards.

Kiwanis Recognition Awards: Ms. Raquel McLeod, Ohio County Schools Student Services Director, stated the Kiwanis Club of Wheeling has been supportive in recognizing students of Ohio County Schools for many years. The program recognizes students receiving special education services in grades PreK through 12 from programs within Ohio County Schools. Students are selected by their teachers as outstanding students in their classes. Ms. McLeod thanked the Kiwanis Club of Wheeling for highlighting deserving students who work hard every day in the classroom. She introduced Ms. Janet Roset, Kiwanis representative. Ms. Roset stated the program was established over 30 years ago by Bill Ihlenfeld, attorney and Kiwanis member, who suggested they do special awards for special students. The students are recognized by their teachers for special effort in grades PreK through 12. The selection is based on academic/social achievement, conduct, initiative, and reliability. Each student received a personal plaque and their school received a nameplate to be placed on the large plaque in their school. She thanked Pam and Morgan Lacefield for providing Domino’s Pizza certificates every year. Ms. McLeod introduced and presented the recipients with their plaques and certificates, Shauney Dodd from Steenrod Elementary School and Joshua Pritt from Wheeling Park High School.

Ohio County Schools Leadership Academy: Mrs. Susan Nolte, Ohio County Schools Human Resources Director, presented the 2016-2017 graduates of Ohio County Schools Leadership Academy. Mrs. Nolte reported in 2016-2017 the Ohio County Schools Leadership Academy took a different approach into school leadership roles. She said in working with RESA 6 and our colleague Ms. Marian Kajfez, we developed an Action Research Project. This project allowed five Ohio County staff members to participate on the study of leaders of learning. The five participants had an opportunity to have in-depth discussions and presentations with current principals and Central Office staff. The platform allowed the opportunity to listen and participate in discussions with colleagues to gain true insight of the responsibilities an administrator assumes, and different approaches to use in the classroom. The academy participants worked together to plan the second annual EdCamp. The completion of the Action Research Project allows for each participant to earn three credit hours through West Virginia University. During the 2017 Ohio County Schools Extended School Year Program, they will have an opportunity to put their knowledge and skills into action as they complete a Professional Development Internship by working collaboratively with our administrators on a day-to-day basis. Mrs. Nolte introduced the following 2016-2017 Ohio County Schools Leadership Academy participants and presented them with a certificate: Jessica Broski-Birch, Susan Huntley, Janet Myers-Eikey, and Holly Stillion.

VI. REPORTS/FOLLOW-UP ACTION

Approval of Outside Safety Mini Grant Application: Ms. Koegler drafted the Ohio County Board of Education Outdoor Recreation Space Mini-Grant application for the purpose related to supporting school-community funded projects that enhance outdoor play spaces by providing a small amount of funding focusing specifically on safety and security (e.g. fencing). She reviewed the criteria and application process and asked board members and Mr. Steven Bieniek, Ohio County Schools Business Manager, if they had any changes or additions. After further discussion, Ms. Koegler stated she would clean up the application and send it to Dr. Miller.

Motion by Mr. Mallett, seconded by Ms. Carder, to approve the Ohio County Board of Education Outdoor Recreation Space Mini-Grant Application Form as presented with recommended changes.

Ayes 5 Nays 0

Wheeling Island Stadium Update: Dr. Miller stated there was a structural issue at Wheeling Island Stadium. She said they have been working diligently with Mr. Brian Harto, Ohio County Schools Maintenance Director, and our outside architectural engineer. Mr. Harto reported M&G Architects and Engineers spent
several hours at the stadium assessing the situation. He introduced Mr. Eric Matyskiela, M&G Architects and Engineers Structural Engineer, for an update on the stadium. Mr. Matyskiela provided board members with a copy of a report prepared by M&G Architects and Engineers. He stated they were requested to go to the stadium and look at what appeared to be a structural failure of one of the concrete panels on the top portion of the west side of South Penn Street of the stadium. They requested the panel be taken down as soon as possible, and during that process the panel to the south of it also failed at the same time. M&G did an inspection of the entire grounds, and what they found in their analysis was the failure had occurred at the connection of the panels themselves to the main structure. Mr. Matyskiela said the stadium as a whole is in very good condition. Their findings showed that the weak point was the connection of those panels to the main structure. They zeroed in on the limited failure of the top panels which would encompass both the west side of South Penn Street and east side of South Front Street. He stated in closing with the findings portion of the report that they feel there is no other major area in the stadium that would be in jeopardy. The front panels and lower field level panels are properly anchored, and they do not feel they would be an issue. Mr. Matyskiela stated they feel the primary cause of the panel issue was the fact that the original panel design (which may have met code at the time) probably did not take into account the stresses due to the west base getting a lot of sun. He said in the morning it is cool, and then on an August day it gets to 98 degrees making the materials expand at that point, which causes constant movement throughout the day certain times of the year. Since the period of 1987, that movement has worked on those anchors and fatigued them to the point where some of them are beginning to fail. Mr. Matyskiela stated this failure is not something that could be predicted or noticed or caused by any type of lack of maintenance or lack of observation. These connections are embedded in the concrete and are not accessible by visible observation. Mr. Abraham asked Mr. Matyskiela if there is a certain time frame to look at the stadium once the repairs are made. Mr. Matyskiela suggested a five year walk through, and noted it would not need to be done annually. He stated what they are recommending is to proceed with a supplemental re-enforcement, and they do not see any need to take the panels off which would be very costly. Mr. Matyskiela stated the timeline to complete this project would be by mid-September (September 15, 2017). He said the cost of the project is estimated at $700,000.00. This includes replacement of some of the sealant within the facility on the pre-cast seating where there is some leakage. Dr. Miller stated we have notified the County’s insurance BRIM. She said they also had an engineer present at the stadium, and they will be sending us a report. Dr. Miller noted the stadium will not be available for the Rudy Mumley All-Star Football Game and possibly the first couple of high school football games. The stadium should be okay for the Super Six Championships. Dr. Miller thanked Mr. Harto, Mr. Matyskiela, Mr. Charlie Savage (Savage Construction), and Cattrell for their immediate help with the stadium to keep everyone safe. Mr. Matyskiela said the project will be ready to go out to bid around May 20, 2017, with a pre-bid meeting on May 24, 2017, and then they will schedule the bid opening.

Motion by Mr. Birch, seconded by Mr. Mallett, to approve Dr. Miller and the administration to begin the bid process for the Wheeling Island Stadium project as presented. Ayes 5 Nays 0

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Abraham asked board members if there were any items they would like to discuss on the Consent Agenda. There being no further questions, Mr. Abraham called for a motion to approve letters A. through F. (Minutes – March 16, 2017 – Regular and April 18, 2017 – Levy Order Meeting, and April 10, 2017 – Regular Meeting; Budget Supplements/Transfers; Paid Bills; Approval of School Bus Request for the WV Sheriff’s Youth Leadership Academy held in Cabell County at Camp Ona in Milton, WV, from July 16 – 21, 2017; Acceptance of Out of County Student; and School Volunteers/Chaperones) as listed on the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Ms. Carder, seconded by Mr. Birch, to approve letters A. through F. (Minutes – March 16, 2017 – Regular and April 18, 2017 – Levy Order Meeting, and April 10, 2017 – Regular Meeting; Budget Supplements/Transfers; Paid Bills; Approval of School Bus Request for the WV Sheriff’s Youth Leadership Academy held in Cabell County at Camp Ona in Milton, WV, from July 16 – 21, 2017; Acceptance of Out of County Student; and School Volunteers/Chaperones) as listed on the Consent Agenda. Ayes 5 Nays 0
VIII. FINANCIAL ITEMS
Dr. Miller stated the State Aid allocation for the basic Step 7 Plan for Instructional Improvement for 2017-2018 is $952,990.00, compared with the current year’s allocation of $948,997.00. The allocation increased by the amount of $3,993.00 for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. The proposed plan is the same as that of the current year. The amount for personnel funded under the Plan, which is limited to 25% of the total basic Step 7 allocation, increased by $998.00. This amount must be used to help fund a Technology Systems Specialist (TSS) position. The extra allocation of $2,995.00 for the 2017-2018 Step 7 expenditures for non-personnel costs has been added to the line item in the plan for technology upgrades and additions. Dr. Miller requested a motion to approve the 2017-2018 Step 7 Plan for Instructional Improvement to meet the submission deadline of May 1, 2017.

Motion by Ms. Koegler, seconded by Ms. Carder, to approve the 2017-2018 Step 7 Plan for Instructional Improvement as presented. Ayes 5 Nays 0

IX. PERSONNEL
Dr. Miller announced the Professional Retirement for the 2016-2017 School Year of Ms. Debra Clark from a position as a 200 Day General Science Teacher assigned to Warwood School effective June 30, 2017. Ms. Clark has been employed with Ohio County Schools for 23 years.

Dr. Miller stated all other personnel items on the agenda and addendum were as presented and requested board approval.

Motion by Mr. Birch, seconded by Ms. Koegler, to approve the personnel items listed on the agenda and addendum as presented.

Professional Retirement for the 2016-2017 School Year
Debra Clark is retiring from a position as a 200 Day General Science Teacher assigned to Warwood School effective June 30, 2017. Ms. Clark has been an employee of Ohio County Schools for 23 years.

Professional Resignation for the 2016-2017 School Year
Mechel Sorge is resigning from a position as a 200 Day Speech Pathologist assigned to Woodsdale Elementary School effective April 19, 2017.

Professional Employee Being Recommended for Transfer and Subsequent Assignment for the 2017-2018 School Year
Erin Lyesesi

Extra Curricular Recommendation for the 2016-2017 School Year
Travis McKinley – Assistant Track – Wheeling Park High School

Extra Curricular Resignations for the 2016-2017 School Year
Jacklyn Hoffman – Assistant Volleyball Coach – Triadelphia Middle School
Tony Marvin – Assistant Boys Basketball Coach – Wheeling Park High School
Rick Whoolery – Head Volleyball Coach – Triadelphia Middle School

Probationary Professional Employees being Recommended for Rehiring for the 2017-2018 School Year
First Year Professional Employees
Kevin Lilley
Erin Triveri

Second Year Professional Employees
Jennifer Berdine
Joshua Colvin
Samantha Gentle
Erin Lyesesi
Shaun Black
Wendy Doolin
Anastasia Klemm
Michelle McNickle
Lindsey Bowman
Ashley Elliott
Amber Loew
Stefan Moray
Kristen Taylor  Beth Wallace  Daniel Whitlatch
Sherry Wood  Amanda Yates

Third Year Professional Employees
Stacy Allen  Hunter Ankrom  Charles Annett
Bryan Arbes  Riley Bonar  Carissa Bowman
Rebecca Broadwater  Walter Bugaj  Christina Cain
Mathew Cirilli  William Crow  Crystal Elswick
Timorie Fahey  Anne Farrow  Neta Fitzsimmons
Eric Francis  Megan Gossett  Megan Higgins
Susan Huntley  Jeanne Jendras  Katelynn Kestner
Zachary Klemm  Nathan McFadden  Alyssa McKitrick
Wilbert Myers  Amber Orth  Alyssa Patton
Duane Ritter  Michael Romick  Hillary Sayre
Rachel Shipley  Erin Steffey  Michelle Titus-Glover
Tammy Tomazoli  Andrea Trio  Timothy Triveri
Brittany Ward  Cynthia West  Joshua Yost

Continuing Year Professional Employees
Laura Beck  G. Douglas Boyd  Karyna Cain
Stefanie Cirilli  Christie Curley  Amber Edwards
Aaron Fedorke  Kristen Gaudino  Kevin Hensley
Jaclyn Hoffman  Julie Koch  Brian Leggett
Rayce Leib  Heather McFadden  Chelsey Mohney
Sarah Nett  Jennifer Omaits  Kevin Orth
Chelsie Osterried  Heather Puglisi  Sarah Reggi
Garrett Richards  Amelia Richter  Jennifer Schmitt
Monica Supanik  Clay Tucker  Jody Wade
Kathryn Wheeler  Jessica Yost

Probationary Service Personnel Employees being Recommended for Rehiring for the 2017-2018 School Year
First Year Service Personnel Employees
Amy Anderson  John Steven Gregory  Christopher Harto

Second Year Service Personnel Employees
Jeffrey Donley  Bridget Edge  Rachel Fedorke
Alexandria Frangos  Cansina Galentine  Gary Goddard
Sue Hartman  Daryl Johnson  Darin MacFarland
Cheryl Simon  Kyle Smith  Dana Squier
Joseph Wiselka

Third Year Service Personnel Employees
James Carenbauer  Lisa Cover  Denise Evick
Tiffany Farmer  Christopher Gockstetter  Bobbie Jo McDaniel
Kayla Mallery  Gail Meyer  Christopher Peluchette
Jacqueline Reinbeau  Ann Senkbeil  Keith Stoehr
Lowell Thomas  Linda Tyson  Lynn Uraco
Melissa White  Cynthia Young

Continuing Year Service Personnel Employees
Marcella Brammer  Brian Beckett  James Bradley
Donald Brookover  Heather Dennison  Christina Fuller
Paul Hengler  Gary Keidaisch  Mary Lough
Charity Miller  Melinda Oliver  Nathaniel Peace
Jessica Schunk  Cheryl Stahl  Chad Stanford
Charles Schellhase is requesting a transfer from a position as a 261 Day Custodian III, 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., assigned to Elm Grove Elementary School to a position as a 261 Day Glazier/General Maintenance/Truck Driver/Groundsman assigned to the Maintenance Department effective April 25, 2017.

Substitute Service Personnel Recommendations for the 2016-2017 School Year
Kelton Belon – Custodian
William Kovalski – Custodian
Lisa Marple – Aide/Paraprofessional

Service Personnel Positions for Summer 2017
Teresa Kase is being recommended for a position as a Summer Secretary assigned to the Central Office, 8 hours per day, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., June 12, 2017 through July 21, 2017. Holidays, Closed Days and Calamitous Days are without pay.

Joyce Weisal is being recommended for a position as a Summer Accountant assigned to the Central Office, flexible schedule, minimum 30 days beginning June 12, 2017 through July 28, 2017. Holidays, Closed Days, and Calamitous Days are without pay.

Recommendations for the 2017 Extended School Year Program
The following professionals are being recommended for the 2017 Extended School Year Program Elementary Component, June 21, 2017 through July 17, 2017. Holidays, closed days and calamitous days are without pay.

Elementary Component, June 21, 2017 through July 17, 2017. Holidays, closed days and calamitous days are without pay.

Transitional Kindergarten/Kindergarten Teacher – Woodsdale Elementary School
Mary Beaver

Grade Level Teachers – Woodsdale Elementary School
Jacqueline Hicks, Deena Proctor
Melinda Iverson, Amanda Shinsky
Mary Francis Kase

Reading Interventionist – Woodsdale Elementary School
Catherine Whorton
Cheryl Williams

Math Interventionist – Woodsdale Elementary School
Anne Vopal

The following service personnel are being recommended for the 2017 Extended School Year Program Elementary Component, June 21, 2017 through July 14, 2017. Holidays, closed days and calamitous days are without pay.

Roseann Schmitt – Early Childhood Classroom Assistant Teacher – Woodsdale Elementary School
Peggy Wensel – Custodian – Woodsdale Elementary School

The following professionals are being recommended for the 2017 Extended School Year Program Special Education Component, June 21, 2017 through July 14, 2017. Holidays, closed days and calamitous days are without pay.

Special Education Instructors – Woodsdale Elementary School
Brenda Bachman, Desiree Ramser, Kimberly Ueltschy
Deborah Davis, Barbara Randolph, Paula Whitwam
Amy Lewis, Twila Raper
Evaluator – Woodsdale Elementary School
Susan Huntley

School Nurses – Woodsdale Elementary School
Megan Gossett
Melissa Soltesz

Preschool Instructors – Woodsdale Elementary School
Lisa Armstrong
Melissa Porter

Speech/Language Pathologists – Woodsdale Elementary School
Kristen Lucas
Stephanie Sada

Supervisory Aide/Paraprofessionals – Monday through Friday – Woodsdale Elementary School
Patricia Cunningham
Christina Fuller
Kimberly Nisperly
Christa Davis
Patricia Kady
Lucretia Riggs
Adria DiLorenzo
Kayla Mallery
Margo Toliver

Supervisory Aide/Paraprofessionals – Tuesday through Thursday – Special Education Program – Woodsdale Elementary School
Marianne Clatterbuck
Jacqueline Reinbeau

The following professionals are being recommended for the 2017 Extended School Year Program Middle School Component, June 1, 2017 through June 19, 2017. Holidays, closed days and calamitous days are without pay.

Reading Teacher – Wheeling Park High School
Patricia Henderson

Mathematics Teacher – Wheeling Park High School
Danielle Futey

Guidance Counselor – Wheeling Park High School
Pamela Thomas-Fazzini

The following professionals are being recommended for the 2017 Extended School Year Program High School Component at Wheeling Park High School, June 1, 2017 through June 19, 2017. Holidays, closed days and calamitous days are without pay.

Audrey Abraham – Online Health
Jacob Galik – Online Civics
Justin Goneau – Physical Education
Timothy Ickes – Online Health
Kevin Reinhardt – Mathematics Credit Recovery
Jacqueline Shriner – Reading/Language Arts Credit Recovery

Recommendations for the 2017 Extended School Year Program Bus Runs
The following are being recommended for the 2017 Extended School Year – Middle and High School Bus Runs, June 1, 2017 through June 19, 2017. Holidays, closed days, and calamitous days are without pay.
Charlene Gordon
Scott Gordon
The following are being recommended for the 2017 Extended School Year - Special Education Bus Runs, June 21, 2017 through July 14, 2017. Holidays, closed days, and calamitous days are without pay.

Gregory Armstrong  Raymond Schuetz
David Cunningham  Kyle Ann Sheets
Elizabeth Finsley

The following are being recommended for the 2017 Extended School Year – Elementary Bus Runs, June 21, 2017 through July 14, 2017. Holidays, closed days, and calamitous days are without pay.

Cassandra Beiswenger  Michael Lee
Paul Hengler  Samuel McColloch
William Johns

The following is being recommended for the 2017 Extended School Year – Career/Technical Bus Run, June 1, 2017 through June 19, 2017. Holidays, closed days, and calamitous days are without pay.

Kenneth Siburt

Recommendations for the 2017 Summer Work Program

The following are being recommended as Groundsmen/Handymen for the 2017 Summer Work Program, 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., effective June 1, 2017 through July 28, 2017, assigned to the Maintenance Department. Holidays, closed days, and calamitous days are without pay.

Richard Bloomfield
Cory Harto
Christopher Harto
David Hoffman
Caleb Ratcliffe
Cheryl Ruth

The following is being recommended as Summer Mechanic for the 2017 Summer Work Program, 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., effective June 7, 2017 through August 2, 2017, assigned to the Transportation Department. Holidays, closed days, and calamitous days are without pay.

Todd Porter

ADDENDUM

Service Personnel Requesting Transfer for the 2016-2017 School Year

Michael Vetanze is requesting a transfer from a position as a 261 Day Custodian IV, 6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., assigned to Triadelphia Middle School to a position as a 261 Day Custodian III, 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., assigned to Elm Grove Elementary School effective April 25, 2017.

Ayes 5  Nays 0

X. DISCUSSION

Comprehensive Insurance Bid Committee: Mr. Bieniek stated he sent out a Comprehensive Insurance Request For Proposal (RFP). He said anyone with interest is to call by Thursday, April 27, 2017, to request a bid packet. This includes flood insurance, property insurance, and workers compensation insurance. Mr. Bieniek stated with flood insurance, it is on a national plan, and we most likely will not see a difference in price, good or bad. Our current agent is Mr. Larry Lewis and the carrier is Philadelphia Flood Insurance. Mr. Bieniek stated our property insurance is with the West Virginia Board of Risk, and we are in a fiscal plan year. Our agent is Berry, Bippus, Chison & Foose. He said this insurance may pose a problem because of our time line. Mr. Bieniek stated insurance carriers like to send out their own engineers to look all at our buildings, structures, and content. He said a lot of the agents questioned why we want to go away from BRIM anyway because we are getting a good rate. Mr. Bieniek stated Ohio County Schools only takes on 10% of the risk with BRIM. He said Industrial Appraisal went through all of our buildings and content, and then it goes to our agent and they input the value. Then unlike other carriers who say this is what you owe, this is what we will insure, BRIM takes on everything for 90% and we take on 10%, which is pretty much an industry standard. Mr. Bieniek stated our workers compensation agent is Paull & Associates, and our carrier is BrickStreet. He noted this is the most expensive insurance by far of the three insurances. Mr. Abraham
thanked Mr. Bieniek for the information and stated part of the process is potentially to have one agent on record rather than three. He said there are some other goals, and part of that is strategic. He noted there are some advantages in being a little bit more proactive with our risk management rather than just coming in and giving an original statement. Mr. Abraham stated the board reserves the right not to make any changes or to make changes. Mr. Bieniek noted we do reserve that right now; however, there has been some discussion of perhaps possibly changing some of our plan years from fiscal year to the calendar year, and that could prove to be detrimental because we will have to pay a penalty, especially with BrickStreet. Mr. Abraham stated the EMOD is 1.06 (risk rate), and to be at a better assessed value for reduced premiums, it has to be under 1.0. Mr. Bieniek stated from Fiscal Year 2012 to now we have actually saved, and it has gone down from $555,000.00 to $477,000.00. He said the Ohio County Board of Education has done a very good job at reporting claims early and trying to get people back to work quickly. Mr. Bieniek stated the bid packets are out with a due date of May 2, 2017, which is a tight turnaround time. He said he can send an addendum to set that due date back to May 10, 2017. They will conduct interviews with the committee after that date. The interviews could be done by May 15, 2017, to be on the board meeting agenda for May 22, 2017. He stated in case of a carrier switch, they have to let BrickStreet know 30 days in advance. Mr. Bieniek said from what he understands that our saving on flood and property would be minimal because the carriers will not have time to look at our content and buildings. Mr. Abraham stated we are not looking to move from carriers, we are looking to see what it is that we actually have compared to something else, and we are looking to move to one broker. He said the board may or may not, and they reserve the right to change carriers or not change carriers. Mr. Abraham asked Mr. Bieniek who he thought should be on the Comprehensive Insurance Bid Committee. Mr. Bieniek suggested having Mr. Harto, either Dr. Miller or Mr. Jones, Ohio County Schools Assistant Superintendent, a board member (Mr. Abraham), a community member not in the industry, and himself. Mr. Abraham stated they will get approval the first meeting in May for the committee. Mr. Abraham called for a motion to approve.

Motion by Ms. Koegler, seconded by Mr. Abraham, to approve Dr. Miller and her Central Office team to form the Comprehensive Insurance Bid Committee, and push back the original date for the RFP to come back to the board as presented.  

Ayes 5  Nays 0

Smoke Detector Project: Mr. Jones reported they will install smoke detectors in homes on Saturday, April 29, 2017. They have approximately 150 smoke detectors. He said Mr. John Jorden, Ritchie Elementary School Principal, sent out questionnaires to all his Ritchie Elementary School families. Approximately 50 families responded to receive smoke detectors. Mr. Jones said there are a lot of people in the community who have volunteered to help install the smoke detectors. He said they will start at Trinity Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 29, 2017, at 8:30 a.m., and they will provide breakfast. The American Red Cross will provide training. Mr. Jones noted the project started after the loss of the Daugherty family from a house fire. He said if this project goes well, they would like to open it up to the entire county. Dr. Miller thanked Mr. Jones for starting the Smoke Detector Project and making a difference for those families.

XI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Birch:
- Impressed with the Wheeling Island Stadium report, and noted it was pulled together so quickly
- Commended Mr. Harto and his staff for noticing the shift in the concrete barriers at the stadium
- Congratulated the Grade “A” schools and thanked Mr. Wilson for coming to the board meeting

Ms. Carder:
- Thanked Dr. Miller and her team for all the work they have done at the stadium, and said we are all thankful that it happened when it happened because it could have been way more than $700,000.00
- Congratulated Bridge Street Middle School, Triadelphia Middle School, and Steenrod Elementary School for their hard work. She noted we also have a lot of Grade “B” schools, and we should be very proud. Mr. Wilson stated Ohio County Schools finished in the top four in the state.
Ms. Koegler:
- Thanked Dr. Wilson for coming to the board meeting, especially during this time of change in our state.
- Stated since we are in the top four in the state, she invited Dr. Wilson to let them know if there was anything they should know about from the state board or need our local board to talk about with the state board. She thanked him for coming to the board meeting and honoring our schools.
- Echoed “thank you” to Dr. Miller, Mr. Harto, and everyone for the fast response to the stadium, and noted thank goodness it happened when it did for safety reasons. She could not imagine if the stadium would have been full of people what could have happened.
- Thanked Mrs. Nolte for all her hard work on personnel.

Mr. Mallett:
- Thanked Dr. Wilson for coming to the board meeting, and said he does a great job representing us in the northern panhandle of the state.
- Echoed the other board member comments.

Mr. Abraham:
- Echoed all comments.
- Thanked Mr. Harto for his work with the stadium.
- Thanked Mr. Bieniek for his work with the Comprehensive Insurance Bid.
- Thanked Mrs. Nolte for the personnel work and the Leadership Academy.
- Congratulated the Grade “A” and “B” schools. He noted there are 152 middle schools with 12 “A’s” of which Ohio County had two of them; and out of 400 elementary schools with 21 “A’s” of which Ohio County had one of them.

XII. FUTURE MEETINGS
A. Monday, May 8, 2017 – Regular Meeting – 6:00 p.m. was changed to Thursday, May 11, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. – Board Office.
   (Mr. Bieniek noted the week of May 8 he will call board members to pick up their budget to be approved at the May 23 board meeting.)
   (Mr. Abraham requested for Mr. Harto to have the priority list of projects for the May 11 board meeting.)
   (Dr. Miller noted Wheeling Park High School Graduation is Sunday, May 21, 2017.)

B. Monday, May 22, 2017 – Regular Meeting – 6:00 p.m. was changed to Tuesday, May 23, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. – Board Office.

C. Monday, June 12, 2017 – Regular Meeting – 6:00 p.m. was changed to Monday, June 5, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. – Board Office.
   (Ms. Koegler suggested having the Board Member Retreat in July, 2017, just like the board members had last August. She said the board members could send Dr. Miller their available July dates.)

XIII. ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Abraham at 7:34 p.m.