

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CINCINNATI, OHIO**

**PROCEEDINGS**

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**January 11, 2021**

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## ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

The Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, met pursuant to its calendar of meetings using Remote Video Conferencing by BlueJeans, Monday, January 11, 2021 at 6:01 p.m., President Jones in the chair. The pledge to the flag was led by Member Bates.

## PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Per Board Bylaw 0151 and pursuant to Section 3313.23, Revised Code of Ohio. President Pro Tempore will be President Jones until election of President.

## ROLL CALL

Present: Members Bates, Bolton, Bowers, Lindy, Messer, Moroski, President Jones (7)

Absent: None

Superintendent Catherine L. Mitchell was present.

## ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

President Jones called for the nominations for the election of a President of the Board for the year 2021.

Mr. Moroski moved the motion to nominate Ms. Jones.

Ms. Bolton withdraws her name and nominates Mrs. Bates.

For Ms. Jones:

Ayes: Members Bowers, Lindy, Messer, Moroski, President Jones (5)

Noes: Member Bates, Member Bolton (2)

Ms. Jones received majority vote so no vote was taken for Mrs. Bates.

Treasurer Wagner declared Ms. Jones elected President for the term of one year.

**OFFICIAL OATH – PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD**

I, Carolyn Jones, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio and that I will faithfully, honestly and impartially discharge the duties of President of the Board of Education of the Cincinnati City School District of Cincinnati, Ohio, during my continuance in office.

**ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT**

President Jones called for nominations for the election of a Vice President of the Board for the year 2021.

Mrs. Bowers moved the motion to nominate Mr. Moroski.

Ms. Bolton withdraws her name and nominates Mrs. Bates.

Mr. Messer moved the motion to nominate himself.

For Mr. Moroski:

Ayes: Members Bowers, Lindy, Moroski (3)

Noes: Members Bates, Bolton, Messer, President Jones (4)

For Mrs. Bates:

Ayes: Members Bates, Bolton (2)

Noes: Members Bowers, Messer, Moroski, President Jones (4)

Abstain: Member Lindy (1)

For Mr. Messer:

Ayes: Members Lindy, Messer, President Jones (3)

Noes: Members Bates, Bolton, Bowers, Moroski (4)

President Jones called for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vote for Vice President of the Board for the year 2021.

For Mr. Moroski:

Ayes: Members Bowers, Lindy, Moroski (3)

Noes: Members Bates, Bolton, Messer, President Jones (4)

For Mr. Messer:

Ayes: Members Bates, Bolton, Messer, President Jones (4)

Noes: Members Bowers, Lindy, Moroski (3)

President Jones declared Mr. Messer elected Vice President by acclamation.

**OFFICIAL OATH – VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD**

I, Ryan Messer, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio and that I will faithfully, honestly and impartially discharge the duties of Vice President of the Board of Education of the Cincinnati City School District of Cincinnati, Ohio, during my continuance in office.

**2021 BOARD OF EDUCATION ORGANIZATION/APPOINTMENTS**

<b>2020 BOARD OF EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE</b>	
<b>PRESIDENT – Carolyn Jones</b>	<b>VICE PRESIDENT – Ryan Messer</b>

**2021 BOARD COMMITTEES**

<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b> <i>(Automatic Dual Appointment to Audit and TIRC Committees)</i>	<b>POLICY COMMITTEE</b>	<b>STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT COMMITTEE</b>	<b>HEALTH &amp; SAFETY COMMITTEE</b> <i>(Approved 12/18/2019)</i>
Melanie Bates	Eve Bolton	Eve Bolton	Melanie Bates
Eve Bolton	Ben Lindy	Pamela Bowers	Pamela Bowers
Ryan Messer	Mike Moroski	Ben Lindy	Ryan Messer

**2020 BOARD ORGANIZATION APPOINTMENTS**

Cincinnati Recreation Commission (1).....	Melanie Bates
ODE Educator Standards Board (1) .....	Eve Bolton
Ohio School Boards Association Appointments	
Board of Trustees/Southwest Region Executive Committee.....	*Carolyn Jones
Board Member Cabinet.....	Eve Bolton
Diversity and Equity Committee.....	TBD
Federal Relations Network First Congressional District.....	Eve Bolton
Legislative Liaison (2).....	Mike Moroski /Ben Lindy
The Urban School District Advisory Network (All members can attend).....	Eve Bolton
Student Achievement Liaison.....	Pamela Bowers
OH High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) School Board Liaison Comm.....	Pamela Bowers
State Report Card Reform Workgroup.....	Eve Bolton
Activities Beyond the Classroom (2).....	Eve Bolton, Ryan Messer
Business Advisory Council (1).....	Carolyn Jones
Council of the Great City Schools (1 CPS Rep) (All members can attend).....	Michael Moroski

*\*Appointment Approved through Resolution at the January 6, 2020 BOE Meeting (OSBA Board of Trustees)*

Ms. Bolton moved and Mrs. Bowers seconded the motion that the 2021 Board of Education Organization/Appointments be approved.

Ayes: Members Bates, Bolton, Bowers, Lindy, Messer, Moroski, President Jones (7)  
 Noes: None

President Jones declared the motion carried.

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE  
2021 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING BUSINESS ITEMS**

**WHEREAS**, the Cincinnati Public Schools Board of Education *Bylaw 0151 – Organizational Meeting*, requires that the Board of Education organize annually at a meeting held during the first fifteen (15) days of January; and

**WHEREAS**, *Bylaw 0154 – Motions* requires certain business items must be performed at the organizational meeting; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the *2021 Board of Education Meeting Schedule* be reaffirmed and;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a fee will not be charged to individuals requesting paper copies of the schedule of meetings, agenda, or notice of individual meetings; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the current existing Cincinnati Public Schools Board of Education Bylaws and Policies for its own operation and the operation of the school system be reaffirmed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education acknowledges the approved memberships in the professional organizations of the Ohio School Boards Association, the Ohio School Boards Association Legal Assistance Fund, National School Boards Association, and the Council of Great City Schools; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, as required by Ohio Revised Code 3315.15, the BOE reaffirms the Service Fund allocation of \$25,000.

Melanie Bates  
Eve Bolton  
Pamela Bowers  
Carolyn Jones  
Ben Lindy  
Ryan Messer  
Mike Moroski

Mrs. Bowers moved and Mr. Messer seconded the motion A Resolution to Approve 2021 Organizational Meeting Business Items be approved.

Ayes: Members Bates, Bolton, Bowers, Lindy, Messer, Moroski, President Jones (7)

Noes: None

President Jones declared the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Jennifer M. Wagner  
Treasurer/CFO