

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of	St. Marys City School District	Meeting
Held	August 27, 2013	5:30 P.M.

The St. Marys City Board of Education met in a special work session in the auditorium at the St. Marys Memorial High School with the following Board Members present: Lisa Tobin, Ralph Wiley, Ronda Shelby and Brian Little. Aaron Braun was absent.


The meeting was called to order by Lisa Tobin, Board President, who then introduced Pete Japikse, Senior Transportation Coordinator with the Ohio School Boards Association.

Mr. Japikse presented the Board of Education with a handout (attached) including an "estimate" for our district's regular education transportation funding. Mr. Japikse went over his presentation in detail, offering his expertise and knowledge of transportation.

No action was taken by the Board of Educations and at 6:10 PM, the meeting was adjourned.



 President



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**Ohio School Boards
Association**

August 26, 2013

Superintendent Shawn Brown
St. Marys City School District
100 W. Spring St
Saint Marys OH 45885

Dear Superintendent Brown:

I have been reviewing the projected funding flow for your district based on the recently adopted school-funding budget. I know that you and your staff have been watching this very closely since last spring, and have been waiting for an analysis to be completed to determine your estimated funding.

The calculation of pupil transportation funding as mandated in the budget depends upon a number of other calculations as well as several streams of data. While LSC has provided estimated funding calculations several times, those have not been consistent with what we believed the data supported. Just recently we have obtained sufficient data to complete our own calculations.

With the information that is now available we have been able to determine that there is additional state transportation funding available for the St. Marys schools. To receive that funding it is necessary to reinstate full service busing for your students.

Restored bus service funding estimate:	\$551,856
Continued state minimum service funding estimate:	<u>\$352,883</u>
Net difference in funding based on service level:	\$198,973

In addition to the base funding, the state has implemented additional funding for districts that are categorized as low wealth and low density. At this time, based upon estimates calculated by the state, St. Marys qualifies for this supplement.

If this remains true, additional funding is provided for either scenario, resulting in adjusted totals as follows:

Restored bus service funding estimate:	\$689,430
Continued state minimum service funding estimate:	<u>\$440,854</u>
Net difference in funding based on service level:	\$248,576

The district may also qualify for a one-time grant distribution from the Straight A fund of approximately \$50,438. This amount is NOT dependent upon service level.

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Based upon this analysis of estimated funding, it would be advantageous for St. Mary's schools to reimplement full bus service as soon as possible. This will result in not only additional funding, but will allow more of your students to receive the safety benefits of school bus service.

State funding for this school year will be based upon the actual ridership on your buses and the daily miles travelled during the official count week in October. With this as the determining factor, you will need to act quickly to adjust your routing plan before the counts are taken if you want to take advantage of the increased funding.

By reporting these higher counts in October, you will receive the higher funding level when the state implements it later this school year.

Please feel free to contact me if you have further questions on this matter.

Respectfully,



Pete Japikse
Senior Transportation Coordinator

PJ:dp

Enclosure



Regular Education Transportation Funding

District : St Marys City SD, (Auglaize)

IRN: 44727

District Data from T1

	FY11 actual payouts	FY 14 (estimate using FY13 data)	FY 14 manual data entry
Daily bus miles	993	1046	863
Daily riders over 1 mile	1342	1413	508
Bus count	14	16	
Type III riders	0	0	
Type IV students	0	0	
Type V riders	0	0	
Type VI riders	0	0	
ADM		2160.1	2160.1

Bus Calculations

Per mile funding	\$ 744,625.48	\$ 890,564.40	\$ 734,758.20
Per pupil funding	\$ 1,049,161.87	\$ 1,149,051.60	\$ 413,105.60
State Share Index (SSI)	58.30%	55.48%	55.48%
60% or SSI rate (state share in FY11)	\$ 629,497.12	\$ 689,430.96	\$ 440,854.92
Formula Adjustments (FY11 only)	\$ 96,816.85	n/a	n/a
Bus subtotal	\$ 726,313.97	\$ 689,430.96	\$ 440,854.92
previous year bus cost (FY11 only)	\$ 518,895.21	n/a	n/a
payable amount (lesser of bus or FY11 cost)	\$ 518,895.21	\$ 689,430.96	\$ 440,854.92

Other Type Calculations

Type III (Transit)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Type IV (Pymt in lieu) (not prorated in FY14)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Type V (district van)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Type VI (private van)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other types subtotal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Formula Total amount	\$ 518,895.21	\$ 689,430.96	\$ 440,854.92
Proration for budget	\$ 378,027.59	\$ 551,856.42	\$ 352,883.22

Low density/low wealth supplement (if eligible)	\$ -	\$ 137,574.54	\$ 87,971.70
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Foundation Transportation

subject to guarantee and gain cap	\$ 378,027.59	\$ 689,430.96	\$ 440,854.92
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Straight A funding

	n/a	\$ 50,438.87	\$ 50,438.87
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State level data

	Actual	Estimate	Estimate
Date updated:	2/28/13	8/19/13	8/19/13
Per mile rate	4.16597	4.73	4.73
Per rider rate	781.78977	813.2	813.2
Budget proration	72.85240849	80.0452038	80.0452038
Type III Rate	273.6264195	284.62	284.62
Type IV rate	273.6264195	242.15	242.15
Type V, VI rate	390.894885	406.6	406.6
Straight A supplement per student	na	23.3502467	23.3502467