

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF THE GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting November 14, 2006

The Grandview Heights City School Board met in regular session pursuant to the rules section 3313.15 of the Ohio Revised Code in the John Glenn Community Center with President Suzanne McLeod in the Chair. Addendum items to these minutes are contained herein and are a part of these minutes. The agenda prepared for this meeting immediately follows these minutes. The Board of Education endeavors to prepare audio tape recordings of its regular meetings. The tape recording of this meeting is on file at the Office of the Board of Education.

Call to Order (I): President McLeod called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call (II): The following persons were present:

Members Present: Suzanne McLeod, President
Ron Cameron, Member
Gary Heydinger, Member
Anita Keller, Member
Kathy Lithgow, Member (5)

Others Present: Dave Mancini, Interim Superintendent
Steve Andersson, High School Principal
Bob Baeslack, Middle School Principal
Kathy Binau, Director of Pupil Services
Stephanie Brett, Parent
Donna Chambers, Parent
Cathryn Chellis, District Technology Coordinator
Marshall Cohen, Parent
Lori Cropper, Parent
Carol Davis, Parent
Grant Douglass, Parent
Paula Frank, Parent
Rick Garrison, Middle School Teacher
Katrina Goering, Student
Carol Hamilton, Food Service Director
Patricia Hoch, Visitor
Leslie Howard, Visitor
Jim Kane, Parent
Kathy Kinnard, Parent/Athletic Director
Kelsey Kinnard, Student
Jeff Lamb, Director Service/Facilities
Katie Maxfield, Principal, Curriculum Director
Edward O'Reilly, Superintendent
Eileen Pruett, Parent
Bob Short, Parent
Michael Small, Parent/Grandview Heights Police Dept.
Susan Srikonda, Parent
Dee Turner, Child Care Director
Julie Whitley, Parent
Alan Froman, Grandview ThisWeek
Gregory Jones, Tri-Village News

David Knisley, Treasurer

Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Meditation (III): President McLeod led the pledge of allegiance and silent meditation.

Student Presentation (IV-A):

1. Mrs. Lori Downer graphing calculators/2. Mr. Rick Garrison, essays: Mr. Baeslack introduced several middle school students who gave a math and language arts presentation under the direction of Lori Downer and Rick Garrison.

Minutes (V): President McLeod asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions to the minutes of the previous meetings. There were none.

MOTION 06-131: Ms. Lithgow moved to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2006, regular meeting as presented by the treasurer.

Mrs. Keller seconded the motion.

On roll call, the members voted as follows: Cameron, yes; Heydinger, yes; Keller, yes; Lithgow, yes; McLeod, yes. 5 yes.

The president declared the motion carried.

Recognition of Academic Achievement and Outstanding Contributions (VI-A):

There were three items of academic achievement and outstanding contributions to be recognized at this time.

1. Kelsey Kinnard, for competing at the State Tennis Tournament/ 2. Lily Picon, for competing at the State Cross Country Tournament/ 3. Katrina Goering, Third Team All-State, Girls Soccer: Mr. Andersson introduced Kelsey Kinnard and Katrina Goering at this time. Lily Picon was unable to attend.

Recognition of Guests and Hearing of the Public (VI-B): President McLeod asked if anyone wanted to address the board at this time.

1. Susan Srikonda gave a bio of her daughter to the Board of Education Members.

Treasurer's Report (VII-A): Mr. Knisley reviewed financial information with the Board at this time.

MOTION 06-132: Mr. Cameron moved to approve the following:

1. October financial reports as they are contained as addendum items to these minutes.
2. Payment of October bills. (Motion 06-003 authorized the payment of all bills as they are due).
3. Investments for the month of October, 2006. (Motion 06-003 authorized the investment of district funds).
4. Appropriation modifications for the month of October, 2006, as they appear on the addendum items to these minutes.

Dr. Heydinger seconded the motion.

On roll call, the members voted as follows: Heydinger, yes; Keller, yes; Lithgow, yes; McLeod, yes; Cameron, yes. 5 yes.

The president declared the motion carried.

Board Reports (VII-B):

G. Heydinger - Legislative Liaison: A week from this evening will be the next meeting of the community finance committee.

Anita Keller, Student Achievement Liaison: Mrs. Keller reported on her attendance at the OSBA Capital Conference. She presented each board member with a copy of the annual report from the Alliance for Adequate School Funding. Their goal is to find a solution to the state's school funding crisis. (See the addendum item to the agenda.)

Child Care Report (VI-C): Mrs. Turner reported on the ballet and tap recital by her kindergarten through third grade students. Tomorrow evening will be an activity between 4:45 and 7:00 p.m. Her written report is contained as an addendum item to the agenda. Mrs. Turner fielded questions from members of the Board.

Buildings and Grounds Report (VII-D): Mr. Lamb reported on the high school gymnasium door replacement, the Edison/Middle School fire alarm replacement, high school slate roof damage from hail and the track closure to begin the synthetic grass field project. Mr. Lamb fielded questions from member of the Board.

Food Service Report (VII-E): See agenda addendum item.

Technology Report (VII-F): Cathryn Chellis reported on the state's new accountability model. Her written report is contained as an addendum item to the agenda.

Superintendent's Report (VII-G): The following item was reported on at this time.

1. Security: Dr. Mancini reported that the District has reviewed security measures. The written reports of the security committee are contained as addendum items to the agenda. Jeff Lamb was chairman of the security committee. Mr. Lamb reported on the activities of the committee that met three times during the past several days. Officer Mike Small of Grandview Height Police Department provided additional information. Dr. Mancini asked that the Board give some consideration of the items contained in the reports. They fielded questions from members of the Board. Dr. Mancini noted that the top two priorities identified by the security committee could be implemented for \$25,000 to \$30,000. President McLeod asked Mr. Lamb to provide some refined cost estimates for the top two priorities during the next couple of months. Dr. Heydinger questioned the need for security cameras and buzz-in stations. Ms. Lithgow said that securing the main entrances should be a top priority with or without cameras.

Recommendations from Superintendent for Action by the Board (VIII):

Curriculum and Instruction (VIII-A): There were no items of curriculum and instruction to be considered at this time.

Board Policy and Procedure (VIII-B): There were no items of board policy and procedure to be considered at this time.

Business & Finance (VIII-C): The superintendent recommended the approval five item of business and finance. All were approved in the motions below.

MOTION 06-133: Mrs. Keller moved to approve the following items of business and finance.

1. Disposal of Equipment/Furniture: Approve disposal of the following:
 - a. High School
6509 Scanner Broken
 - b. Edison/Middle School
6173 PowerBook Broken
005870 Zenith TV Broken
000893 Capehart TV Broken
002745 Capehart TV Broken
001618 3M Overhead Broken
001621 3M Overhead Broken
005035 3M Overhead Broken
6072 Kodak DC 240 Camera Broken
 - c. Stevenson
6179 PowerBook Broken
 - d. Pupil Services
6295 Epson Stylus 740I Broken
6152 iMac (orange) Obsolete
5323 Color Style Writer Broken
Photosmart Broken
3. Power Supply Agreement: Approve the revised amendment to the Power Supply Coordination Service Agreement for Strategic L.L.C. (OSBA Electricity School Pool) as it is contained as an addendum item to these minutes.
4. Transfer of Funds: Approve the transfer of \$185,150 from the Permanent Improvement Fund to the Bond Retirement Fund to pay the principal and interest on the P.I. tax anticipation notes dated February 16, 2006.
5. Approval to Pay Invoices: Approve the payment of the following invoices against P.O. number 5449 dated 10/05/2006 to Bruner Corporation for preventive maintenance effective 07/01/2006:
 - a. Invoice #1009163, dated 10/02/2006 for \$2,922.00
 - b. Invoice #1009165, dated 10/02/2006 for \$3,469.00
 - c. Invoice #1009164, dated 10/02/2006 for \$3,356.00

Ms. Lithgow seconded the motion.

On roll call, the members voted as follows: Keller, yes; Lithgow, yes; McLeod, yes; Cameron, yes; Heydinger, yes. 5 yes.

The president declared the motion carried.

Motion 06-134: Dr. Heydinger moved to approve the following item of business and finance.

2. Resolution to borrow \$175,000: Approve the unvoted debt Resolution prepared by Brickler and Eckler as it is contained as an addendum item to these minutes.

Mr. Cameron seconded the motion.

On roll call, the members voted as follows: Lithgow, yes; McLeod, yes; Cameron, yes; Heydinger, yes; Keller, yes. 5 yes.
The president declared the motion carried.

President McLeod described the recent meeting that she and Dr. Heydinger had with representatives from the Touchdown Club and others. The District would use proceeds from the borrowing to advertise and award a contract for the actual purchase and installation of the synthetic playing field. Bob Short from the Touchdown Club reviewed financial information regarding the project as it is contained as addendum items to the agenda. Grant Douglass presented the schedule of activities beginning with the closure of the stadium area to commence the drain replacement phase. The east gate will be used as the construction entrance. The projected completion date is April 1, 2007. Representatives from the Touchdown Club fielded questions from members of the Board.

Buildings and Grounds (VIII-D): There were two items of buildings and grounds to be considered at this time.

MOTION 06-135: Ms. Lithgow moved to approve the following items of buildings and grounds.

1. Advertising for Bids: Approve advertising for bids for the furnishings of materials and performance of labor necessary to install a synthetic grass playing field at Bobcat Stadium.
2. Permanent Improvement Projects:
 - a. Legg & Davis Inc., concrete work for installation of new High School gymnasium doors, \$3,000
 - b. HD Phillips Restoration., tuck-pointing repairs to the north wall of EIMS, \$4,000

Mrs. Keller seconded the motion.

On roll call, the members voted as follows: McLeod, yes; Cameron, yes; Heydinger, yes; Keller, yes; Lithgow, yes. 5 yes.
The president declared the motion carried.

Personnel (VIII-E): The superintendent recommended the approval of ten items of personnel at this time.

MOTION 06-136: Mr. Cameron moved to approve the following items of personnel

1. Resignations: Approve the following resignations for the 2006-2007 school year:
 - a. Lindsay Graves, 5th and 6th Grade Camp

- b. Janet Gauntner, 5th Grade Camp
2. Supplemental Duty Contracts: Approve the following supplemental duty contracts for the 2006-2007 school year:
 - a. Vince DeTillio, Saturday School, \$16.00 per hour
 - b. Kyle Copeland, Weight Room Supervisor-Winter, Class VII, step 1 (1), \$1039.29
 - c. Dana Ullmann, Assistant Varsity Gymnastics Coach, Class V, Step 1 (1), \$2078.58
 - d. Sean Bowers, JV Girls Basketball Coach (.5 FTE), Class IV, Step 2 (5), \$1472.33
 - e. Anne Nichols, JV Girls Basketball Coach (.5 FTE), Class IV Step 1 (2), \$1212.50
 3. ESL Tutor Contract: Approve the following ESL tutor contract for the 2006-2007 school year:
 - a. Jean Balser, 6 hour per week, Class IV, Step 10, effective October 18, 2006
 4. Stipends: Approve professional development stipends (paid from Technology Title II-D federal grant) for the following:
 - a. Marc Alter \$244.51
 - b. Denise Lutz \$244.51
 - c. Pam Patterson \$244.50

Approve professional development stipends (paid from eTech Professional Development grant) for the following:

- a. Pam Patterson \$333.77
 - b. Denise Lutz \$333.77
 - c. Marc Alter \$333.76
5. Maternity Leave: Approve a maternity leave of absence for Paula Oswald. She is requesting six weeks of accumulated sick leave to begin approximately November 20, 2006 through January 17, 2007.
 6. Substitute Employees: Approve employment of the following substitute teachers for the 2006-2007 school year.
 - a. Ryan Garber
 - b. Jacqueline Moore
 - c. Erica (Schwarztrauber) Powers
 - d. Steve Scanlon

Approve the following permanent substitute teacher for the 2006-2007 school year:

- a. Clifton Chastain, effective November 15, 2006
7. Child Care Program: Approve the following for the 2006-2007 school year:
 - a. Karen Copen, Recreation Leader substitute, effective 10/30/06

8. Employment of Superintendent: Approve the revised start date for the new superintendent, Ed O'Reilly, on November 20, 2006.
9. Interpreter Services: Approve the employment of Carmen Mendoza for extra hours to provide interpreter services as needed at the rate of \$24.02 per hour, up to 20 hours for the 2006-2007 school year. Hours will be recorded and approved on a Special Service time sheet.
10. Teacher Assistant: Employ Betsy Smith as a part-time teacher Assistant to work with a Grandview student who attends a private preschool for children with special needs; two hours per day; 4 days per week for the remainder of the school year, beginning November 20, 2006. Step 1, \$13.49 per hour.

Ms. Lithgow seconded the motion.

On roll call, the members voted as follows: Cameron, yes; Keller, yes; Lithgow, yes; McLeod, yes; Heydinger, yes. 5 yes.
The president declared the motion carried.

Co/curricular Activities (VIII-F): There were two items of co/extracurricular activities to be considered at this time.

MOTION 06-137: Mrs. Keller moved to approve the following item of co/extracurricular activities at this time.

1. Extra-Curricular Volunteers: Approve the following as a volunteer for the 2006-2007 school year:
 - a. Jason Coleman, Assistant Freshman Boys' Basketball Coach
2. OHSAA Sport Recognition: Acknowledge boys and girls bowling as a Sport for the purpose of these teams being able to compete in the OHSAA sectional tournament and beyond if they qualify.

Dr. Heydinger seconded the motion.

On roll call, the members voted as follows: Heydinger, yes; Keller, yes; Lithgow, yes; McLeod, yes; Cameron, yes. 5 yes.
The president declared the motion carried.

Mrs. Kinnard provided background information regarding the acknowledgement of boys and girls bowling teams. No financial commitment is involved. Team members would be obligated to follow OHSAA rules and regulations.

Other Items (VIII-G): There were no other items to be considered at this time.

Items for Discussion (IX): The following items were discussed at this time.

1. Supplemental Review Committee Report: Mrs. Kinnard reviewed the report of the Supplemental Review Committee as it is contained as an addendum item to the agenda. The recommendations are presented in order or priority. Mrs. Kinnard fielded questions from members of the Board of Education. Mrs. Kinnard reviewed each of the eight recommendations including the deletion of 14 positions from the

salary schedule, the restoration of 8 positions to the salary schedule, and the movement of various positions on the salary schedule. Members commented on various aspects of the recommendations of the committee. Field rental, van purchase delays, participation fee increases, delays in funding the District's reserve for budget stabilization were ways offered by Dr. Heydinger and Mr. Cameron to fund all of the additions to the supplemental salary schedule. Mrs. McLeod said that it is not appropriate to reinstate the extracurricular activities when the curricular activities associated with all of the budget reductions over the past few years have not been reinstated. Discussion continued.

Ms. Lithgow and Mrs. Keller said they would be willing to implement recommendations #1 and 2 to eliminate and restore limited positions and reluctantly consider recommendations #3 to restore (increase) some assistant salaries but they would not want to add extracurricular activities when curricular cuts remain in place.

Visitors commented in support of adding extracurricular activities. Emphasis was on adding the swim teams. One said that expenditures on security enhancements is not necessary and the price of a teacher could pay for extracurricular activities that could affect many students.

MOTION 06-138: Ms. Lithgow moved to approve the following item for discussion.

2. January 7, 2007 Budget Hearing at 7:00 p.m. and Organizational meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the John Glenn Community Center.

Mrs. Keller seconded the motion.

On roll call, the members voted as follows: Keller, yes; Lithgow, yes; McLeod, yes; Cameron, yes; Heydinger, yes. 5 yes.

The president declared the motion carried.

3. Mrs. McLeod thanked Dr. Mancini for serving as interim Superintendent. November 29 at 3:15 will be an open house to welcome Mr. O'Reilly as the District's new superintendent.
4. Members of the Board discussed the need to evaluate the treasurer.

MOTION 06-139: Ms. Lithgow moved to approve the following item of discussion.

Special Board of Education meeting on Wednesday, December 6, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education conference room.

Mrs. Keller seconded the motion.

On roll call, the members voted as follows: Lithgow, yes; McLeod, yes; Cameron, yes; Heydinger, yes; Keller, yes. 5 yes.

The president declared the motion carried.

Executive Session (X): The Board did not consider entering into executive session at this time.

Adjournment (XI): President McLeod called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION 06-140: Mrs. Keller moved to adjourn.

Mr. Cameron seconded the motion.

On roll call, the members voted as follows: McLeod, yes; Cameron, yes; Heydinger, yes; Keller, yes; Lithgow, yes. 5 yes.

The president declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
President Treasurer