

FAIRFIELD CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 17, 2010

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The Board of Education of the Fairfield City School District in the County of Butler, Ohio, held a Regular Meeting on March 17, 2011 at the Fairfield High School Community Room.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL – Present: Mr. Kearns, Mrs. Ko, Dr. Morris, Mr. Murray & Mrs. Shorter
Absent: None

Also present: Mrs. Milligan, Mr. Otten, Mr. Martin, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Lane & Mr. Clemmons

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS

A. Spotlight on South Elementary – Leslie Laney, Principal & Cathy Henson, First Grade Teacher

ITEM FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

A. Proposed budget reductions effective with the 2011-2012 school year
Mrs. Milligan presented and Mr. Lewis presented busing options.

Budget Reduction Discussion

Mrs. Shorter asked if it would make sense to decide on one of the busing options first.

Mr. Kearns stated that the intention is to move one of the options on busing forward as one package.

Mrs. Ko asked about the one and one half hours that the freshman students will have before sports start.

Mr. Lewis stated that he has had a discussion with Mr. Wissman regarding a “homework club” after school.

Mrs. Shorter then asked the plan for the 20 buses that will be taken off the road.

Mr. Lewis stated that quite a few of the buses are 1995 or 1996 models. By state standards, the life of a bus is 10 years. He would not want to sell them to anyone because of the liability.

Dr. Morris would support Option #1 to eliminate 9-12 busing. He stated that it would be better to make all of the changes this year and not come back next year to eliminate more busing.

Mrs. Ko stated that extracurricular participation fees should be raised.

Dr. Morris stated that he would need more information on extracurricular costs before he could vote on anything tonight.

Mrs. Shorter asked about the effect the elimination of educational assistants would have on the elementary schools.

Mr. Murray asked how much the cuts from the past few years when totaled with the approximate \$2.5 million that is being proposed tonight.

Mrs. Lane stated that the combined total would be more than \$6 million.

Mrs. Shorter expressed the concern about the negative impact that the loss of transportation would have on students and asked if there are any resources that can be utilized to assist students with transportation.

Dr. Morris stated that any reductions will impact kids.

COMMUNICATION

This is the portion of the meeting where you, the residents of the Fairfield City School District, are invited to share your thoughts with the Board. Presentations are limited to five (5) minutes each.

Heidi Keller discussed the budget cuts and concerns for students and staff that will result. Teresa Carver discussed the closing of the kindergarten center and asked about extra-curricular fees.

Kelly Wilson discussed the closing of the kindergarten center.

Board Comments:

Mr. Murray stated that the Board has asked many questions and none of the decisions are easy.

Mrs. Ko stated that she appreciates the response from the administrative staff to her phone calls and emails.

Mr. Kearns stated that there has been a tremendous amount of time spent on the recommendations by quite a few staff members.

11-41 APPROVAL OF BUDGET REDUCTIONS AS PRESENTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT EFFECTIVE WITH THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Kearns to approve the following:

ITEM FOR BOARD ACTION

- A. Recommend approval of budget reductions as presented by the superintendent effective with the 2011-2012 school year.
Option # 2 for busing is the option selected for a vote for a total savings of \$2,369,093

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Ko

Public comments:

A parent asked how many high school students are in the district and the total size of the district. The response was that there are 2500 high school students and a total distance of 36 square miles.

A parent expressed concerns about class size and whether or not state busing minimums were considered.

A parent stated that the transition program has been a great program for her student. She expressed concerns about losing busing.

A parent suggested that the District increase participation fees.

A parent asked what is going to be done with the kindergarten center. At this point there are no plans.

Board comments: None

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Kearns, Mrs. Ko, & Mr. Murray
Nays: Dr. Morris & Mrs. Shorter
Motion Carried: 3-2

11-42 RESIGNATIONS/LEAVES OF ABSENCE/EMPLOYMENT/AMENDMENT IN TITLES OF JOB DESCRIPTIONS/EMPLOYMENT

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Murray to approve the following:

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS

A. Personnel -- Certificated

1. Resignations

- a. Anne Price, Intermediate, 5th grade
(effective at the end of the day on June 30, 2011; for retirement purposes)
- b. Constance Scheid, Intermediate, Language Arts
(effective at the end of the day on May 31, 2011; for retirement purposes)

2. Leaves of Absence

- a. Erika Klaber, Intermediate, Music
(effective for 50% of each day beginning March 23, 2011 through June 3, 2011; for personal reasons)
- b. Mattie Shepherd, District, Psychologist
(effective 75% of the day on March 21, 2011 through June 3, 2011; for childrearing purposes)

3. Recommend approval of an amendment in the titles of the following job descriptions effective July 1, 2011:
 - a. Assistant Superintendent for Business (formerly Business Director)
 - b. Assistant Superintendent for Academics (formerly Assistant Superintendent, the position having responsibilities for certificated/licensed personnel)

(For items a. and b., this recommendation is for title changes only. There is no increase in pay accompanying or resulting from approval of this recommendation.)

4. Employment

- a. Extracurriculars 2010-11

Middle

Aaron Bannister, Track Coach
George Einsfeld, Jr., Track Coach
Kenny Powell, Head Track Coach
Tom Robertson, Tennis Coach, Boys

Intermediate

Wendy Starkey, Intramural Volleyball

West

Elizabeth Burkhart, Intramural Basketball

- b. It is recommended that the following persons be issued administrative contracts effective July 1, 2011, as defined below:

Certificated Administrators

Christina French, Elementary Asst. Principal (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2013)
Karrie Gallo, Elementary Asst. Principal (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2014)
Paige Gillespie, Elementary Principal (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2013)
Mark Harden, District Athletic Director (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2014)
David Helms, Asst. Principal, High School (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2014)
Jason Hessel, Asst. Principal, Intermediate (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2014)
Dan Jeffers, Elementary Principal (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2013)
Jesse Kohls, Asst. Principal, Middle School (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2014)
Chad Lewis, Assistant Superintendent for Business (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2015)
Maureen Meyer, Elementary Curriculum Coordinator (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2015)
Katie Pospisil, Principal, Middle School (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2015)
Austin Sanders, Asst. Principal, High School (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2015)
Billy Smith, Principal, High School (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2015)
Lee Vincent, Elementary Asst. Principal (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2014)
Karyn Winkler, Special Services Supervisor (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2015)

Richard Wood, Elementary Principal (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2015)
Kim Wotring, Elementary Principal (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2015)

Classified Administrators

David Foster, Support Services Supervisor (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2015)
Sue Hollingsworth, Payroll Supervisor (effective July 1, 2011-June 30, 2015)

c. Home Instructors

Krista Allen
Kathleen Gaughan
Barry Williams
Rebecca Wilson

(Periodically the district has students who qualify for home instruction by placement on an IEP developed through the Special Services Department. It is recommended that the above noted person(s) be employed as Home Instructors at the rate of \$24.34 per hour, effective for the 2010-2011 school year.)

d. Substitute Teachers

Alfred, Krystolyn
Blunt, Sharron
Crowe, Justin
Franz, Gary
Koslow, Shana
Little, Michael
Renfro, Julie
Simmons, Allison
Suggs, Deonna
Summy, Melisa

(All recommendations are for the 2010-2011 school year at a rate of \$80.00 per day.)

(All employment is contingent upon satisfactory submission of all required documents.)

SECOND – Seconded by Dr. Morris
Public comments: None
Board comments: None

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Kearns, Mrs. Ko, Dr. Morris, Mr. Murray & Mrs. Shorter
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5-0

11-43 RESIGNATIONS/LEAVES OF ABSENCE/PROMOTION

MOTION – Moved by Dr. Morris to approve the following:

B. Personnel -- Classified

1. Resignations

- a. Mary Ann Swanner, East, Educational Assistant
(effective the end of the day March 12, 2011; for retirement purposes - deceased)
- b. Bill Vitatoe, West, Head Custodian
(effective the end of the day February 28, 2011; for disability retirement purposes)

2. Leaves of Absence

- a. Karen Bowman, Transportation, Bus Driver
(effective February 25 through March 11, 2011; unpaid personal)
- b. Gary Collins, Transportation, Bus Driver
(effective March 11 through April 11, 2011; extension of unpaid Workers Compensation)
- c. Mike Deaton, Freshman, Custodian
(effective March 7 through April 4, 2011; unpaid personal medical)
- d. Michael Furginson, Senior High, Custodian
(effective March 1 through March 31, 2011; unpaid Workers Compensation)
- e. Shellie Patterson, Transportation, Bus Driver
(effective April 1 through July 31, 2011; unpaid personal medical)

3. Promotion

- a. Cathy Falkenthal, North, Cook
(effective March 7, 2011; promoted to Head Cook, Middle School, for a replacement position)

(All employment is contingent upon satisfactory submission of all required documents.)

SECOND – Seconded by Mr. Murray

Public comments: None

Board comments: None

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Kearns, Mrs. Ko, Dr. Morris, Mr. Murray & Mrs. Shorter

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

- 11-44 APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICIES BCCC TREASURER'S CONTRACT (REVISION); DJH & DJH-R CREDIT CARDS (NEW); EGAC (REVISION), EGAC-R AND EGAC-E TELEPHONE (NEW)/APPROVAL OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS GRADES 1-6 "BEING A WRITER"/ APPROVAL TO AWARD SECURITY ASSESSMENT REVIEW OF THE FAIRFIELD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO NATIONAL SCHOOL SAFETY & SECURITY SERVICES THROUGH FUNDING BY THE COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES GRANT (COPS)

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Murray to approve the following:

C. Other Items for Board Action

1. Recommend approval of board policies, regulations and exhibits
 - a. BCCC Treasurer's Contract (revision)
 - b. DJH and DJH-R Credit Cards (new)
 - c. EGAC (revision), EGAC-R and EGAC-E Telephone Services (new)
2. Recommend approval of instructional materials, grades 1-6, Being a Writer, publisher: Developmental Studies Center, copyright 2007-2009.
3. Recommend approval to award the comprehensive security assessment review of the Fairfield City School District to National School Safety and Security Services at a cost of \$29,750 through funding made available by the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant.

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Ko

Public comments: None

Board comments: None

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Kearns, Mrs. Ko, Dr. Morris, Mr. Murray & Mrs. Shorter

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

- 11-45 APPROVAL OF MINUTES/APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR FEBRUARY 2011/ APPROVAL OF 2010-2011 AMENDED APPROPRIATIONS/DISPOSALS/DONATIONS/ APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR/APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE TREASURER TO PAY INVOICE AGAINST A PURCHASE ORDER

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Murray to approve the following:

TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS

- A. Recommend approval of the minutes of the following meeting:
February 24, 2011 – Regular Meeting
- B. Recommend approval of the financial reports for the month of February 2011.

C. Recommend approval of the 2010-11 Amended Appropriations Resolution.

D. Recommend approval of the disposal of the following fixed assets:

<u>Tag Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Location</u>
18996	Fax Machine	East Elementary
14394	Printer	High School
15142	Computer	High School
15919	Computer	High School
15933	Computer	High School
15944	Computer	High School
15960	Computer	High School
15997	Computer	High School
16577	Computer	High School
16591	Computer	High School
16856	Computer	High School
16858	Computer	High School
16930	Computer	High School
16932	Computer	High School
17247	Computer	High School
17261	Computer	High School
17264	Computer	High School
17462	Computer	High School
17466	Computer	High School
17483	Computer	High School
17505	Computer	High School
17531	Computer	High School
17538	Computer	High School
17545	Computer	High School
17672	Computer	High School
17694	Computer	High School
21700	Computer	High School
20398	Cell Phone	Special Services
CN42E3401Z	Printer	Special Services
02010	Computer	Technology
18070	Computer	Technology

E. Recommend approval of the following donations:

1. A donation of \$2000 from Anthony Lanzalaco to the Fairfield High School Athletic Department.
2. A donation of \$75 from Scott Hill, Hill-Air Heating & Air, to Fairfield High School for Ohio Graduation Testing Camp.
3. A donation of an oboe, valued at \$3115, from Fairfield Tempo Club to Fairfield Middle School's music department.
4. A donation of \$250 from Jostens to Fairfield High School for Ohio Graduation Test incentives.

5. A donation of \$2000 from the Fairfield Champions Foundation to the Fairfield High School Athletic Department.

Total donations for 2011: \$10,434.40

- F. Recommend approval of the resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor.

County Auditor's Estimate of Tax Rate To Be Levied:

Bond Retirement Fund	2.80
General Fund	<u>47.01</u>
Total	49.81

- G. Recommend approval to authorize the Treasurer to pay invoices against the following purchase orders that have not been processed in accordance with Section 5705.41(D):

1. Purchase order #3104806 – Progressive Plumbing - \$3,642.00

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Shorter

Public comments: None

Board comments: None

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Kearns, Mrs. Ko, Dr. Morris, Mr. Murray & Mrs. Shorter

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Butler Tech – Dan Murray – A meeting is scheduled for next week.
- B. Fairfield Planning Commission –Mark Morris

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 26 – April 3, 2011 - Spring Break (No School)

April 7, 2011 - Work Session, 6:30 PM, FHS Community Room

April 14, 2011 – Summer Activity Fair – Fairfield Middle School

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mrs. Ko

She inquired about the status of calamity days for this school year.

Mrs. Milligan responded that the Governor has not signed the bill yet.

Mrs. Shorter

She stated that she hopes that we look at our truancy policy.

11-46 EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION – Moved by Dr. Morris to recess to Executive Session at 8:20 pm to discuss the following:

The appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of public employees 121.22 (G) (1)

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Ko

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Kearns, Mrs. Ko, Dr. Morris, Mr. Murray & Mrs. Shorter

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

The Board resumed the meeting at 9:23 pm.

11-47 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Murray to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND – Seconded by Dr. Morris

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mrs. Ko, Mr. Kearns, Dr. Morris, Mr. Murray & Mrs. Shorter

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 pm by the President, Mr. Kearns.

President

Attest: _____
Treasurer