

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF THE GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting March 11, 2008

The Grandview Heights City School Board met in regular session pursuant to the rules section 3313.15 of the Ohio Revised Code at the John Glenn Community Center with Mrs. 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
Gary Heydinger, Member
Anita Keller, Member
Kathy Lithgow, Member
Joanne Peters, Member (5)

Others Present:

Edward O'Reilly, Superintendent of Schools
Steve Andersson, High School Principal
Bob Baeslack, Middle School Principal
Kathy Binau, Director of Pupil Services
Ron Cameron, Parent
Cathryn Chellis, Technology Director
Benjamin DeMaria, Visitor
Dominick Guida, Parent
Carol Hamilton, Food Service Director
Steve Hedge, High School Teacher
Karen Hopper, Visitor
Katie Maxfield, Assistant Principal/Curriculum Director
Pam Patterson, Teacher
Melissa Snider, Parent
Patty Weiland, Teacher
Greg Jones, Tri-Village News
David Knisley, Treasurer

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

Recognition of Academic Achievement and Outstanding Contributions (IV-A): There was no recognition at this time.

Recognition of Guests and Hearing of Public (IV-B): President McLeod asked if anyone wished to address the Board at this time. There was no one.

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

MOTION 08-025: Ms. Lithgow moved to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2008, regular meeting as presented by the treasurer.

Dr. Heydinger seconded the motion.

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

The president declared the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report (VI-A): Mr. Knisley reviewed the following financial information at this time.

MOTION 08-026: Mrs. Keller moved to approve the following financial items.

1. February financial reports at they are contained as addendum items to these minutes.
2. Payment of February bills. (Motion 07-005 authorized the payment of all bills as they are due).
3. Investments for the month of February 2008. (Motion 07-005 authorized the investment of funds).
4. Appropriation modifications dated February 29, 2008, as they appear on the addendum items to these minutes.

Ms. Peters seconded the motion.

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

The president declared the motion carried.

Board Reports (VI-B):

Joanne Peters - Legislative Liaison: The first Friday of every other month is the regular meeting time for the Legislative Committee. Jennifer Economous from OSBA is expected to attend the June meeting.

Anita Keller - Student Liaison: No report was given at this time.

Child Care Report (VI-C): The Child Care report is contained as an addendum item to the agenda.

Buildings and Grounds (VI-D): Mr. Lamb reported that Jarod's Law requires an "engine idling" policy to be adopted by June 30. Roof inspections need to occur every year and whenever a storm occurs. Telescoping bleachers must be inspected every year. Baseball field bleachers in Grandview will not pass the inspection as is. Bringing those bleachers up to code would cost more than replacing them. The upstairs high school gym bleachers will not pass inspection and will most likely just be removed. Lighting will be an issue along with recalled items, safety plans and radon gas.

The new telephone system has been installed at Grandview Heights High School and Stevenson Elementary School. Red telephones are located in each building for emergency calls in the event of a power loss that would affect the main telephone system. A police officer was present at Stevenson Elementary School while that facility was used as a polling place during the recent election.

Food Service Report (VI-E): Mrs. Hamilton reviewed her food service report for January 2008 that is contained as an addendum item to the agenda.

Technology Report (VI-F): Ms. Chellis reviewed her technology report that is contained as an addendum item to the agenda.

Superintendent's Report (VI-G): The superintendent reported on the following item.

1. Assessment of District Curriculum: Mr. O'Reilly reported on the assessment of the District's curriculum. He met with teachers at every grade level and in every department to gather information. The District has been recognized as excellent in many ways. Parents and community members have been very supportive of the School District. Decisions are being made based upon data. "Maximize and personalize every student's learning" is the District's Mission Statement. Mr. O'Reilly included a variety of strengths and areas of improvement that were identified during his meetings with staff members. Priorities include technology, UBD, writing, foreign language, grade cards and 100% core requirement implementation for fall, 2009. Also the use of curriculum and professional development, high school science and special education, 4-8 PE offerings, media specialist for library, implementation of IAT, and special education are priorities. Mr. O'Reilly fielded questions from members of the Board. Dr. Heydinger suggested evaluating the District's investment in and expenditures on technology. Mrs. McLeod suggested that the District assess the way we assess instruction.

Curriculum & Instruction (VII-A): The superintendent recommended the approval of one item of curriculum and instruction at this time.

MOTION 08-027: Ms. Peters moved to approve the following item of curriculum and instruction.

1. High School 2008 Summer School: Approve summer school for high school physical education, health and OGT intervention with the cost to be \$150 per student per subject pending enrollment figures.

Dr. Heydinger seconded the motion.

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

The president declared the motion carried.

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

Business and Finance (VII-C): The superintendent recommended the approval of four items of business and finance at this time.

MOTION 08-028: Dr. Heydinger moved to approve the following items of business and finance.

1. Disposal of Equipment/Furniture: Approve the disposal of the following items:
 - a. High School #5977 16-port hub Obsolete
 - b. Pupil Services #6783 Apple iBook Computer Lost
2. Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates: Adopt 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 as it is contained as an addendum item to these minutes.
3. Student Accident Insurance: Approve an agreement with N. Carol Insurance Agency for the District's student accident insurance for the 2008-09 school year.
4. 403(b) Tax-Deferred Annuity Plan: Adopt the Grandview Heights City School District

403(b) Tax-Deferred Annuity Plan Resolution to Approve Vendors as it is contained as an addendum item to these minutes.

Ms. Lithgow seconded the motion.

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

The president declared the motion carried.

Buildings and Grounds (VII-D): There were no items of buildings and grounds to be considered at this time.

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

MOTION 08-029: Mrs. Keller moved to approve the following items of personnel.

1. Resignation/Retirement: Approve the following resignations and retirements:
 - a. Wallace Osborne, custodian, resignation effective at the end of the day March 28, 2008
 - b. Sheila Gossett, IAT coordinator (teacher), retirement effective at the end of the day on July 31, 2008

2. Reduction in Force: The Board has determined the possibility of suspending teacher contracts for the 2008-09 school year due to enrollment decline in accordance with Article IV of the GHEA negotiated agreement.

3. Supplemental Duty Contracts: Approve the employment of the following for a supplemental duty contract for the 2007-08 school year:
 - a. Lin Bensen, Service Learning Coordinator, \$1,000.00
 - b. Barbara McCauley, 5th Grade Camp, Class X, \$178.41
 - c. Christopher Sauer, 5th Grade Camp, Class X, \$178.41
 - d. Michael Small, 6th Grade Camp, Class IX, \$267.62
 - e. Christopher Sauer, 6th Grade Camp, Class IX, \$267.62

4. Substitute Employees: Approve employment of the persons as listed on the addendum item to these minutes as substitute teachers for the 2007-08 school year; and

Employ Katherine Boyd as a substitute teacher for the 2007-08 school year; and

Approve the following classified substitute employees for the 2007-08 school year:
 - a. Stacey Bergmann, secretary, effective February 20, 2008
 - b. Martina Pichardo, custodian, effective February 20, 2008
 - c. Brenda Cassady, custodian, effective February 20, 2008
 - d. Gary McDannald, custodian, effective February 20, 2008
 - e. Christopher Jacobs, custodian
 - f. Liz Holliday, teacher assistant
 - g. Melissa Zralik, teacher assistant
 - h. Melissa Zralik, secretary
 - i. Millissa Campbell, teacher assistant

5. Child Care Program: Approve the following change for child care program employee for the 2007-2008 school year:

- a. Karen Copen, from Recreation Leader to Recreation Leader substitute effective February 25, 2008.
6. Contract Change: Approve the following contract change for the 2007-08 school year:
- a. Diane Mountz, teacher assistant, from 6 hours per day to 6.5 hours per day effective March 12, 2008.
7. Classified Employee: Approve the employment of the following classified employee for the 2007-08 school year:
- a. Terry Burns, maintainer, Step 11, effective March 25, 2008, contingent upon Civil Service Commission Approval.

Ms. Lithgow seconded the motion.

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

The president declared the motion carried.

Co/curricular Activities (VII-F): The superintendent recommended the approval of one item of co/curricular activity at this time.

MOTION 08-030: Ms. Lithgow moved to approve the following item of co/curricular activity at this time.

- 1. Extracurricular Volunteer: Approve the following as a volunteer for the 2007-2008 school year:
 - a. Derek Mortland, PTO Afterschool Adventure
 - b. Brad Flere, HS baseball
 - c. Raina Kepler, HS track
 - d. David Kauffman, MS baseball

Dr. Heydinger seconded the motion.

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

The president declared the motion carried.

Other Business (VII-G): The Board considered one item of other business at this time.

- 1. Northwest Counseling Service All-Star Salute Breakfast: Members of the Board discussed their participation with the All-Star Salute breakfast.

MOTION 08-031: Dr. Heydinger moved that the Board of Education provide the same level of financial support and participation as it has in previous years for the Northwest Counseling Service All-Star Salute breakfast.

Ms. Lithgow seconded the motion.

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

The president declared the motion carried.

Items for Discussion (VIII): The Board did not consider any other items for discussion at this time.

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

