

The Board of Education of the Fairfield City School District in the County of Butler, Ohio, held a Regular Meeting on the 15th of September 2011, in the Catherine D. Milligan Community Room.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 5:31 pm.

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

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

11-137 EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Kearns to recess to Executive Session at 5:33 pm to discuss the following:

Appointment of a Public Official 121.22 (G) (1)

SECOND – Seconded by Dr. Morris

Public comments: None

Board comments: None

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 4-0

The Board resumed the meeting at 6:58 pm.

Also present: Mr. Clemmons

Board Comments:

Dr. Morris thanked all of the applicants for the School Board position.

Mr. Kearns stated that there was an overwhelming response and thanked the applicants for the School Board position.

Mrs. Shorter thanked the applicants for stepping up.

11-138 MOTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A PUBLIC OFFICAL

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

Appointment of Don Nuss to serve as a Board of Education member effective September 15, 2011 through December 31, 2013, to fill the unexpired term vacated by Sharon Ko.

SECOND – Seconded by Mr. Murray

Public comments: None

Board comments: None

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Kearns, Dr. Morris, Mr. Murray & Mrs. Shorter
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 4-0

OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEW BOARD MEMBER

Mr. Kearns administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Nuss.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (South Elementary Scouts – Flag Ceremony)

PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS

A. Spotlight on South Elementary – Leslie Laney, Principal

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.

Thirteen citizens spoke on various issues including bus maintenance, the recent resignation of Sharon Ko and the appointment of board members.

Four citizens spoke in favor of the school levy.

Mr. Murray read the following statement:

Over the past week or so, a lot of things have been said and printed relating to my re-election campaign in 2009. With the exception of a few questions from the press, I have **never** been asked nor been given the opportunity to explain in my own words the actions of my campaign back in 2009.

Tonight I want to speak to this community, the community that has elected me twice to represent them on this board, the community whose trust is held by me with the deepest respect and humility, and the community that I have sworn to serve with honesty, integrity and pride. Let me say right up front, my 2009 re-election campaign was run openly and honorably.

At **no** time did I do anything wrong or seek to hide or avoid reporting the details of how my campaign was run. My campaign complied with the reporting and disclosure requirements that apply to all campaigns. My campaign reports are available for anyone to see. I have nothing to hide. I want to say that I am proud of how my campaign was run.

I also want to say that the work of this board must continue forward. We have taken a very positive step forward tonight with the appointment of Don Nuss to this board. Now, the five of us have to work together to secure the educational future and the safety and security of each and every student in our district.

I urge this community to unite behind our school district and our students. The unfortunate actions of a few must not be used as a wedge to divide this community and rob our children and grandchildren of their right to an excellent education and a future of opportunity.

Mr. Murray's statement (cont.)

Some tonight have asked for me to resign from this board. I will not resign from this board. I was elected to represent this community and that is what I am going to do. I have seen this community come together in the past to do what is right for the future of our children. I know that we can do it again, despite the challenges that we face. Our community must unite to protect our future and **that future** is the education of our children. Thank you.

Dr. Morris' Comments:

He stated that he is in agreement with the comments that were made by Mr. Murray. His campaign reports are available for review also.

He stated that he wanted to address the question of character. He believes that it takes character to take slanders, slurs, fictitious accounts and half truths.

Resigning would be the easy way out. He questioned what that would say to the kids (of our district).

He stated that if the prosecutor felt that action was necessary, action would have been taken. He stated that his character says to stand up, not sit down; to not run away. For that reason, he is not resigning and he considers the matter closed.

11-139 RESIGNATIONS/EMPLOYMENT – Mr. Martin

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS

A. Personnel -- Certificated

1. Resignations

- a. Brett Richter, Middle, Football 7th/8th; (effective 2011-12; for personal reasons)

2. Employment

- a. Extracurricular 2011-12

Middle

Jeremy Young, Football 7th/8th

South

Lisa Pesce, Student Council

- b. Home Instructors

Diane Gerde

(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 2011-2012 school year.)

c. Substitutes

Nicole Abernathy	Lisa Lynch
Tina Bayne	Lisa Meiser
Carrie Bowling	Sara Mosebach
Latonia Bryant	Kathryn Mosure
Angela Caponi	Jessica Mullins
Allison Collins	Elisa Preston
Nancy Cook	Todd Retherford
Rachael Crabtree	Lois Richardson
Matthew Crapo	Rosemary Rotuno-Johnson
Noel Dickson	Jennifer Sauerwein
Linda Dinkel	Michael Schneider
Thomas Enneking	Linda Schnur
John Faust	Daniel Smith Benedikt
Nick Flannery	Wendy Starkey
Kara Forcellini	Matt Stokes
Nancy Fries	Jane Styczynski (nurse)
Kathleen Gaughan	Barb Telecsan
John Griffith	Tracie Woods
Susan Hart	Edna Terry
Heather Hoelle	Evan Vogel
Lauren Hoover	Cathy Walker
Laura Humphries	Katie Walters
Kimberly Jones	Zachary Weber
Jennifer Knoth	Laura Willis
Chris Landenwitsch	Tracie Woods
Norbert Levans	Mary Yeley

(All recommendations are for the 2011-2012 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, Dr. Morris, Mr. Murray, Mrs. Shorter & Mr. Nuss

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

11-140 LEAVES OF ABSENCE/EMPLOYMENT/CALL BACK FROM REDUCTION IN FORCE

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

B. Personnel – Classified – Mr. Lewis

1. Leaves of Absence

- a. Linda Bowen, West, Educational Assistant
(effective August 30, 2011 through September 16, 2011; unpaid personal medical)
- b. Supriya Khirwadkar, Intermediate, Educational Assistant
(effective August 23, 2011 through September 5, 2011; unpaid personal)
- c. Johnna Morgan, Transportation, Bus Driver
(effective May 27, 2011 through October 24, 2011; unpaid Workers' Compensation)
- d. Ray van Praag, Sr. High, Custodian
(effective June 1, 2011 through November 14, 2011, unpaid Workers' Compensation)

2. Employment

- a. Angela Poling, Freshman, Food Service Assistant
(effective September 16, 2011; for a new position)
- b. Chelsey Templin, Freshman, Food Service Assistant
(effective September 16, 2011; for a replacement position)
- c. Marita Thompson, Freshman, Food Service Assistant
(effective September 16, 2011; for a new position)

3. Call Back from Reduction in Force

- a. Candy Bader, Intermediate, Educational Assistant
(effective September 19, 2011)
- b. Tommy Porter, Transportation, Bus Driver
(effective September 16, 2011)

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

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Shorter

Public comments: None

Board comments: None

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

11-141 APPROVAL OF TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT OF STUDENT WORKERS FOR 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

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

C. Other Items for Board Action

1. Recommend approval of the temporary employment of student workers for the 2011-2012 school year. (The list of student workers is presented in your packets for your review. Board approval is needed to ensure the students are appropriately covered by Workers' Compensation insurance.)

SECOND – Seconded by Dr. Morris

Public comments: None

Board comments: None

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

11-142 APPROVAL OF MINUTES/APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR AUGUST 2011/ APPROVAL OF 2011-2012 AMENDED APPROPRIATIONS/DISPOSALS/DONATIONS/ APPROVAL TO PAY INVOICES AGAINST PURCHASE ORDER/RESOLUTION TO DECLARE TRANSPORTATION TO BE IMPRACTICAL

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

TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS

- A. Recommend approval of the minutes of the following meetings:
August 18, 2011 – Regular meeting
September 1, 2011 – Work Session
- B. Recommend approval of the financial reports for the month of August 2011.
- C. Recommend approval of the 2011-2012 Amended Appropriations Resolution.
- D. Recommend approval of the disposal of the following fixed assets:

<u>Tag Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Location</u>
13793	Computer	Cincinnati Christian
13849	Computer	Cincinnati Christian
15063	Printer	Cincinnati Christian
15685	Computer	Cincinnati Christian
15687	Computer	Cincinnati Christian
16353	Computer	Cincinnati Christian
17277	Computer	Cincinnati Christian

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17984	Computer	Cincinnati Christian
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19691	Overhead projector	Cincinnati Christian
22572	Camera	Cincinnati Christian
RT4L001325	Projector	Cincinnati Christian
Y09032097	Digital camera	Cincinnati Christian
22128	Cell phone	High School
11047	Printer	Middle School
TS14097	Piano keyboard	Middle School
19271	Printer	North Elementary
17860	Printer	South Elementary
01002	Battery charger	Special Services
02492	Receiver	Special Services
02493	Closed caption decoder	Special Services
03374	Transmitter	Special Services
03376	Receiver	Special Services
05969	Receiver	Special Services
08866	Transmitter	Special Services
08867	Transmitter	Special Services
08869	Transmitter	Special Services
08870	Receiver	Special Services
08871	Receiver	Special Services
09897	Transmitter	Special Services
11080	Directional Mic	Special Services
11081	Directional Mic	Special Services
11082	Directional Mic	Special Services
11083	Directional Mic	Special Services
11084	Directional Mic	Special Services
11085	Directional Mic	Special Services
11765	Microlink hearing device	Special Services
11783	Directional Mic	Special Services
11784	Directional Mic	Special Services
11785	Directional Mic	Special Services
11786	Directional Mic	Special Services
11912	Directional Mic	Special Services
11913	Directional Mic	Special Services
11914	Directional Mic	Special Services
11915	Directional Mic	Special Services
11916	Transmitter	Special Services
12068	Receiver	Special Services
18190	Transmitter	Special Services
203987	Receiver	Special Services
205748	Receiver	Special Services
205933	Receiver	Special Services
206023	Receiver	Special Services
206729	Receiver	Special Services
703036	Receiver	Special Services
743973	Closed caption decoder	Special Services
743995	Closed caption decoder	Special Services
804140	FM receiver	Special Services
805744	FM receiver	Special Services

806448	FM receiver	Special Services
806511	FM receiver	Special Services
807543	FM receiver	Special Services
807548	FM receiver	Special Services
809089	FM receiver	Special Services
I243	Transmitter	Special Services
I244	Battery charger	Special Services

E. Recommend approval of the following donations:

1. A donation of \$47.26 from "Target Take Charge of Education" program to Fairfield South Elementary School.
2. A donation of school supplies valued at \$450 from Cincinnati Mall to Fairfield High School.
3. A donation of school supplies valued at \$1507 from the Butler County School Supply Coalition to the Fairfield City School District.
4. A donation of school supplies valued at \$500 from Ohio Casualty, Liberty Mutual Group, to the Fairfield City School District.
5. A donation of \$5113.33 from the Fairfield Youth Wrestling program to the Fairfield Middle School Athletic Department for the purchase of a wrestling mat.
6. A donation of a scissor lift valued at \$1500 from Bobcat Enterprises to the Fairfield Athletic Department to be used during the football season.

Total donations for 2011: \$66,753.99

F. Recommend approval to authorize the Treasurer to pay invoices against the following purchase order that has not been processed in accordance with Section 5705.41(D):

1. Purchase order #3103348 – Talbert House - \$4,525.81

G. Recommend that the Board of Education adopt the following resolution for declaring transportation to be impractical:

WHEREAS the student(s) identified below have been determined to be residents of this school district, and eligible for transportation services; and

WHEREAS after a careful evaluation of all available options, it has been determined that it is impractical to provide transportation for these student(s) to their selected school(s); and

WHEREAS the following factors as identified in Revised Code 3327.02 have been considered:

1. The time and distance required to provide the transportation
2. The number of pupils to be transported
3. The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel and administration
4. Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation
5. Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules

6. Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available; and

WHEREAS the option of offering payment-in-lieu of transportation is provided in Ohio Revised Code: Therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Fairfield City School District Board of Education hereby approves the declaration that it is impractical to transport the students identified herein and offers the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the following, payment-in-lieu of transportation.

Student Name(s)	School(s) Selected & Grade(s)	Parent(s)/Guardian(s)
1. Reid Dettmer	Mother Teresa – Grade 8	Corrine Dettmer
2. Reilly Dettmer	Mother Teresa – Grade 7	Corrine Dettmer
3. Bruce McCrary	Fairfield Christian – Grade 7	Nakia Frye
4. Nyasia McCrary	Fairfield Christian – Grade 5	Nakia Frye
5. Nykel McCrary	Fairfield Christian – Grade 6	Nakia Frye
6. Easton Thomas	Fairfield Christian – Grade 8	Robert Thomas
7. Andrew Vandewater	Mother Teresa – Grade 3	Cheryl Vandewater

H. Recommend that the Board of Education adopt the following resolution for termination of the 401(a) retirement plan:

WHEREAS, the Board of the Fairfield City School District (the “Board”) has the authority to establish, maintain and terminate a defined contribution plan intended to meet the qualification requirements of Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the requirements of state and/or local law, for employees of the Fairfield City School District; and

WHEREAS, the Board authorized the adoption of such 401(a) qualified defined contribution plan known as the Fairfield City School District 401(a) Plan effective May 14, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Board no longer seeks to maintain the Fairfield City School District 401(a) Plan;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Effective September 15, 2011, the Board directs that the Fairfield City School District 401(a) Plan be terminated effective September 15, 2011 and amounts under such Plan be distributed to Plan participants and, as applicable; beneficiaries as soon as administratively feasible in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder.

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Shorter

Public comments: None

Board comments: None

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Butler Tech – Dan Murray

The Regular Meeting for Butler Tech is next Tuesday, September 20th.

All Boards Meeting is October 11th at Butler Tech.

B. Fairfield Planning Commission – Mark Morris – No Report

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mrs. Shorter

She stated that it was very difficult to sit and listen to the comments tonight.

She reminded everyone that we have a levy to pass.

She stated that Dan and Mark have the upmost integrity and that she supports both of them.

Mr. Murray

He thanked Balena for her kind words.

He stated that he is here to serve the students.

Dr. Morris

He thanked the applicants for school board.

He looks forward to working with Mr. Nuss.

Mr. Nuss

He thanked the school board for choosing him and stated that he is ready to get to work.

Mr. Kearns

He stated that he appreciated the feedback from the public and will give them an answer on the busing contract after reviewing the contract with legal counsel.

He also considers the issue (of resignations of board members) closed.

He stated that the board is moving forward.

He welcomed Mr. Nuss.

11-143 EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Kearns to recess to Executive Session at 8:43 pm to discuss the following:

Court Action 121.22 (G) (3) - Pending or Imminent Litigation

SECOND – Seconded by Dr. Morris

Public comments: None

Board comments: None

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

The Board resumed the meeting at 9:51.

11-144 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION – Moved by Dr. Morris to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Shorter

Public comments: None

Board comments: None

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 pm by the President, Mr. Kearns.

President

Attest: _____
Treasurer