

The Board of Education of the Fairfield City School District in the County of Butler, Ohio, held a Special Meeting on the 30th of January 2010 at Work Force One.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 8:05 am.

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS

10-10 RESIGNATION/EMPLOYMENT

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

A. Personnel -- Certificated

1. Resignations

- a. Jason Borowicz, Freshman, Language Arts
(effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year; for personal reasons)
- b. Amy Piatt, Middle, Track 7th/8th
(effective for the 2009-10 school year; for personal reasons)
- c. Eddie Thompson, North, Building Technology Representative
(effective October 9, 2009, for the 2009-10 school year; for personal reasons).

2. Employment

a. Extracurricular 2009-10

Senior High

John Buelt, Track, Assistant
Josh Fisher, Volleyball, Boys Assistant
Barry Jamison, Softball, Reserve Assistant
Ian Lubbers, Tennis, Boys Assistant
Dave Meiser, Track, Assistant
Andrew Tyahur, Volleyball, Boys Assistant

Freshman

Cheryl Brown, Softball, Assistant
Mark Jarvis, Volleyball, Boys
Mark Jones, Baseball, Assistant

Intermediate

Avery Hammonds, Drama Director

West

Jenn Meier, Intramurals

b. Substitute Teachers

John Brunner
Mark Leadbetter
Dennis Loar

(All recommendations are for the 2009-2010 school year at a rate of \$80.00 per day.)

c. Volunteers

Senior High

Gretchen Angel, Softball Assistant
Everett Hibbard, Baseball Assistant
Amy Myser, Softball Assistant
Robby Price, Baseball Assistant
Joey Pursifull, Baseball Assistant
Scott Rimer, Weight Room Assistant
Kevin Seymour, Baseball Assistant
Ken Stewart, Baseball Assistant
Mike Tiernan, Baseball Assistant

Freshman

David Cook, Baseball Assistant

(The above-noted persons are recommended for approval as volunteer coaches for the 2009-2010 school year in district athletic programs. Board approval of volunteers is a requirement of the Ohio High School Athletic Association. Recommendation is contingent upon submission of all required documents.)

(All recommendations are contingent upon satisfactory submission of all required documents.)

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Shorter

Public comments: None

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

10-11 RESIGNATION

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

B. Personnel -- Classified

1. Resignation

- a. Alfred Sparks, Transportation, Bus Driver
(effective the end of the day February 28, 2010; for retirement purposes)

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Ko
Public comments: None

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

10-12 RESOLUTION TO REQUEST A DELAY IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL DAY KINDERGARTEN/CHANGE IN LOCATION FOR FEBRUARY 18, 2010, BOARD MEETING/ APPROVAL FOR CATHY MILLIGAN & NANCY LANE TO REPRESENT THE BOARD AS DESIGNEES TO FULFILL PUBLIC RECORDS ACT TRAINING REQUIREMENT

MOTION – Moved by Mrs. Shorter to approve the following:

C. Other Items for Board Action

1. Recommend approval of the following resolution to request a delay in the implementation of all day kindergarten until fiscal year 2012:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Fairfield City School District recognizes the requirement to offer all-day, daily kindergarten to all students of eligible age within the district beginning in the 2010-2011 school year, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 3321.05; and

WHEREAS, Section 9 in temporary law of House Bill 318, enacted by the 128th General Assembly and signed into law by Governor Ted Strickland on December 22, 2009, and provides that a school district may seek a waiver delaying implementation of the requirement to provide all-day, daily kindergarten from the Superintendent of Public Instruction until fiscal year 2012; and

WHEREAS, such request for delayed implementation must be accompanied by a resolution from the school district board of education; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Fairfield City School District requests such delay as authorized for good cause, namely funding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent of the Fairfield City School District is hereby authorized to file with the Superintendent of Public Instruction a plan for full implementation of all-day, daily kindergarten in fiscal year 2012 and any other required documentation. The Board designates the Superintendent to discuss the plan with ODE representatives and additionally designates Assistant Superintendent Paul Otten to discuss the plan with ODE representatives as outlined in the application for the waiver.

2. Recommend changing the location for the February 18, 2010 regular board meeting to Fairfield Middle School. (The time will remain 6:30 PM.)
3. Recommend approval of Cathy Milligan and Nancy Lane to act as designees for Board of Education members Sharon Ko, Mark Morris, Dan Murray, and Balena Shorter to fulfill the Public Records Act training requirement as required by Policy KBA.

SECOND – Seconded by Dr. Morris
Public comments: None

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

ITEMS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

- A. April work session – April 7, 2010 – 6:30 pm - Fairfield High School Community Room
- B. Community Engagement
Presentation included:
 1. Facilities – Presenters -Todd Thackery of SHP and Glen Rowell of the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC, the organization that works with school districts regarding school facilities.

Summary of presentation:

- Fairfield is currently ranked at 452 on the funding list for OSFC.
- There are still 150 districts ahead of Fairfield City School District on the list.
- The OSFC is very uncertain as to when Fairfield City School District's "number" will come up for funding.
- We do have a need for updated buildings.
- Health and welfare of the students and staff is a concern (no air conditioning in 6 buildings).
- Prioritizing our needs must be done by engaging our public on what they need and want.

2. Teaching & Learning – Cathy Milligan presented information regarding what is needed to lead the district to teaching 21st century skills.

Summary of presentation:

- We need to get the community involved to include students especially around the technology issues.
- We need to engage the community about future needs/wants to advance our student learning.
- We need to use our skilled teachers to mentor less experienced teachers.

3. Finances – Nancy Lane & Chad Lewis presented.

Summary of presentation:

- We need to communicate to the public about our financial picture.
- The current projections show a \$5.4 million deficit by June 30, 2012.
- There will be no bail out from Columbus.
- We haven't forgotten to tighten our belt.
- It gets bleaker.
- There are permanent improvement needs.
- The public must be notified about their assets.
- We have tough decisions in the future.
- We need to discuss with the community where they are.

4. Our Community – Paul Otten presented

Summary of presentation:

- We have to have dialogue with businesses. The discussions should not just be about money all of the time.
- The staff must feel ownership as they are the window to the community.
- An engagement of the city and the township is necessary.
- We need to start student involvement in community service at an earlier age.

10-13 EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION – Moved by Dr. Morris to recess to Executive Session at 12:04 pm to discuss the following:

Purchase or Sale of Real Estate 121.22 (G) (2)

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Shorter

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 1:10 pm.

FAIRFIELD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD RETREAT
JANUARY 30, 2010

10-14 ADJOURNMENT

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

SECOND – Seconded by Mr. Murray

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5-0

The meeting was adjourned at 1:12 pm by the President, Mr. Kearns.

President

Attest: _____
Treasurer