

The Board of Education of the Fairfield City School District in the County of Butler, Ohio, held a Work Session on the 2nd of November in Conference Room A at the Fairfield Administration Building.

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

ROLL CALL – Present: Mr. Begley, Mr. Berding, Mr. Hare, Mrs. O’Neal & Mrs. Shorter
Absent: None

Also present: Mr. Smith, Mrs. Lane, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Wildow, Mr. Weiser & Mr. Clemmons

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Brian Begley

PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS

A. College Readiness – Lani Wildow & Katie Pospisil presented
Mrs. Shorter stated that the program is awesome. She has gained much information via Twitter. She thanked Mrs. Wildow and Mrs. Pospisil.

Mr. Berding stated that it is up to the parents and students to reach out to the counselors for assistance with this information.

Mrs. O’Neal stated that this is a great tool for the counselors to utilize.

Mr. Begley admitted that he finally understands the difference between College Credit Plus and Advanced Placement classes.

He asked if there is a calendar for students to follow to prepare for college.

Mrs. Pospisil answered that Naviance is the data program to assist students in college planning.

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORTS

17-112 RESIGNATIONS/ EMPLOYMENT

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

A. Personnel – Licensed – Mr. Martin

1. Resignations

- a. Craig Harden, Senior High, Guidance Counselor
(effective November 2, 2017; for personal reasons)
- b. Craig Harden, Senior High, Golf, Varsity Girls
(effective November 2, 2017; for personal reasons)
- c. Craig Harden, Senior High, Basketball Assistant, Girls
(effective for the 2017-2018 school year; for personal reasons)

2. Employment

- a. Angela Eheart, Creekside, Intervention Specialist
(recommended for a new one-year limited teaching contract for the
2017 – 2018 school year, effective October 23, 2017; for a new position)

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

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Shorter

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Begley, Mr. Berding, Mr. Hare, Mrs. O’Neal & Mrs. Shorter
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5-0

17-113 EMPLOYMENT

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

B. Personnel – Classified - Mr. Weiser

1. Employment

- a. Starlena Boykin, Creekside, Educational Assistant
(effective October 30, 2017; for a replacement position)
- b. Brandi Shoemaker, Senior High, Receptionist
(effective November 6, 2017; for a replacement position)

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

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. O’Neal

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Begley, Mr. Berding, Mr. Hare, Mrs. O’Neal & Mrs. Shorter
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5-0

C. Items for Board Discussion

1. Butler Tech Representative – Dan Hare

Mr. Hare stated that Mr. Berding has done a great job representing our district on the Butler Tech Board of Education.

Mr. Berding stated that he is willing to continue to serve on the Butler Tech Board of Education.

Mr. Begley, Mrs. O’Neal and Mrs. Shorter support Mr. Berding as the Fairfield City Schools representative on the Butler Tech School Board.

The Board will appoint the Butler Tech Board representative in January.

2. Memorial Bench at Central Elementary – Dan Hare

Mr. Hare asked if the Board would like to stay with the idea of a bench to memorialize Jerome Kearns. He commented that Mr. Kearns was a very humble person.

Mr. Berding stated that Mr. Kearns does deserve some sort of recognition for his dedication to the school district. He was an advocate for students and supported the bond issues. He does not believe that Mr. Kearns would have wanted anything elaborate. He mentioned that Mrs. Shorter served the longest with Mr. Kearns and may have additional thoughts.

Mrs. Shorter agrees with what Mr. Berding has said.

She stated that Mr. Kearns was not only an advocate for Fairfield City Schools, but he was an advocate for families and dedicated to improve the lives of Butler County residents in his job related duties.

She vouched for the fact that Mr. Kearns, as President of the Board, observed school policy and worked with Board members effectively.

He was instrumental in having the new buildings built.

She described Mr. Kearns as an awesome man and Board member.

She thinks a bench would be appropriate.

Mr. Hare charged the administration to come back with an idea for a tribute that will blend in with the décor and not stand out. If there is more than one idea, the Board will consider each one.

Mr. Martin announced that a calendar survey is available on our website for community input.

3. Job Description – English as a Second Language Teacher – Roger Martin

Mr. Martin presented information regarding the job description.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Legislative Update – Balena Shorter – No report

B. Butler Tech – Michael Berding

Butler Tech Landscape Design students presented a median design to the Fairfield Township Board of Trustees on October 25th. The trustees will work with the students to finalize the design. The students will then provide free labor for the project. This is an example of Butler Tech students being good citizens and giving back to the community.

C. Parks and Recreation Update – Carrie O’Neal – No report

D. Planning Commission – Brian Begley – No report

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 3, 2017 – End of 1st Quarter Grades K-12

November 4, 2017 – Fairfield Kiwanis Club/Rhythm Express Pancake Breakfast, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM – FHS Cafeteria

November 6, 2017 – Community Coffee, 9:00-10:30 AM, Fairfield Coffee, 311 Nilles Road

November 7, 2017 – Election Day, Inservice Day (No students)

November 9, 2017 – Community Coffee, 5:00-6:30 PM, Coffee Cup Overflowing, 6544 Winford Avenue

November 16, 2017 – Board Meeting, 6:30 PM, Compass Elementary Cafeteria

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Begley

He commented on the great project provided by the Fairfield Rotary Club this week. The club provided dictionaries to all third grade students at Fairfield City Schools, Sacred Heart School and Cincinnati Christian Schools.

Mrs. Shorter

She thanked Mrs. Wildow and Mrs. Pospisil for their presentation.

She reminded everyone that the eighth grade field trip to Washington is occurring at this time.

Mrs. O'Neal

She encouraged everyone to attend the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast this Saturday.

She also encouraged everyone to see the play at the Fairfield Freshman Building.

Mr. Berding

He thinks that the dictionary project is great and he enjoyed participating.

He congratulated the marching band on their success this year.

He wished the football team good luck on their game on Friday.

Mr. Hare

He gave kudos on the Senior Citizen Luncheon last Friday to the following: senior football players and cheerleaders served, the staff that prepared the lunch, and the string quartet and the Choraliers that entertained.

He stated that sometimes our students do great things and we don't hear about it. He directed everyone to page three of today's Wall Street Journal. Aiden O'Neal is in the advertisement at the top of the page, in the taller box on the right. He congratulated Aiden.

17-114 EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Berding to recess to Executive Session at 7:16 pm to discuss the following:

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

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

Negotiations with other subdivisions regarding economic development
assistance 121.22 (G) (8)

SECOND – Seconded by Mr. Begley

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Begley, Mr. Berding, Mr. Hare, Mrs. O’Neal & Mrs. Shorter
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5-0

The Board resumed the meeting at 9:40 pm.

17-115 ADJOURNMENT

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

SECOND – Seconded by Mr. Hare

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mr. Begley, Mr. Berding, Mr. Hare, Mrs. O’Neal & Mrs. Shorter
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5-0

The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 pm by the President, Mr. Hare.

President

Attest: _____
Treasurer