

The Board of Education of the Fairfield City School District in the County of Butler, Ohio, held a Work Session on the 5th day of February 2009 at the Fairfield High School Community Room.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 5:33 pm.

ROLL CALL – Present: Mrs. Bailey, Mr. Engel, Mr. Kearns, & Mr. Murray
Absent: Dr. Morris

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ITEMS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

A. On-line bidding opportunities

Mrs. Lane, Mr. Lewis and Mrs. Thompson presented a new section of the District's website that is available for bidding opportunities.

B. Southwest Region Ohio School Boards "A - Z Effective School Board Award"

Mr. Oppenheimer presented and completed the nomination form for the Board.

C. Youth Commission – Mr. Kearns

1. Potential agenda items submitted in advance to Mr. Kearns & Mrs. Milligan. Items due the Thursday before the work session.
2. This is intended to be an educational opportunity for the students. It is not intended to side step the chain of command.
3. Mr. Kearns will attend the Principal's Cabinet Meetings.
4. This is not to be used as a "venting session" regarding specific teachers.
5. Mr. Kearns will try to keep everything "on task".
6. The Youth Commission component will start at the March Work Session.

D. Make-up Days – Mrs. Milligan

We have currently used 9 calamity days; North Elementary has used 10 days.

We could petition moving the Ohio Graduation Test.

Discussion was held concerning all possible days for make-up.

Mr. Engel is not supportive of holidays. He wants to look at moving graduation one week.

Mr. Kearns is concerned that parents have already made plans for graduation.

A Special Meeting will be held on February 8th at 4:00 pm at the high school to continue the discussion and make a decision concerning make-up days.

BRIEF RECESS at 7:10 pm.

Meeting resumed at 7:19 pm.

E. Book Study - "A Whole New Mind" chapters 7, 8, and 9
This discussion was moved to the March Work Session.

F. Next Retreat
Discussion on date was moved to the Sunday, February 8th agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 8	Special Meeting for purpose of Make-up day discussion
February 13	Intervention reports grades 9-12
February 16	Presidents' Day – no school

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Engel

The new funding amounts from the state are exciting.

The Tempo Club has a fundraiser on February 16th & 17th at Max & Erma's.

The Boosters Club has a fundraiser on February 23rd at Rib City. The fee is \$15 at the door for a barbeque meal.

Mrs. Bailey

The calamity day discussion is not taken lightly.

We want the least impact on the families and in our pocketbook.

Mr. Murray

The discussion tonight shows how difficult it is to make these types of decisions.

It will not be an easy decision. We have made a commitment for student success.

Mr. Kearns

He thanked those people that have provided input on the make-up day discussion.

09-16 EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Murray to recess to Executive Session at 7:30 pm to discuss the following:

Employment and Compensation of Personnel 121.22(G) (1)
Court Action 121.22 (G) (3) – Pending or Imminent Litigation
Collective Bargaining 121.22 (G) (4)

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Bailey

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mrs. Bailey, Mr. Engel, Mr. Kearns, & Mr. Murray

Absent: Dr. Morris

Motion Carried: 4-0

The Board resumed the meeting at 9:24 pm.

09-17 ADJOURNMENT

FAIRFIELD CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION
FEBRUARY 5, 2009

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

SECOND – Seconded by Mrs. Bailey

ROLL CALL – Ayes: Mrs. Bailey, Mr. Engel, Mr. Kearns, & Mr. Murray

Absent: Dr. Morris

Motion Carried: 4-0

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

President

Attest: _____
Treasurer