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Ashland City School District Board of Education – Regular Meeting
May 24, 2010

The Ashland City School District Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, May 24, 2010, at the Ashland High School Library, 1440 King Road. Mr. Lefelhoc, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. **ROLL CALL.** The roll call showed the following members present: Mr. Bob Hill, Mr. Rick Ewing, Mr. Tom Lavinder, Dr. James Wolfe, and Mr. Bryan Lefelhoc.

II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Lefelhoc, Board President.

III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA-2010-05-052**— Dr. Wolfe moved and Mr. Ewing seconded the motion to approve the agenda – motion carried 5-0.

IV. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.** Superintendent Mark Robinson reported on the following items:

A. Honors/Donation Items –

1. Mr. Robinson discussed (not listed on agenda) and congratulated Dr. Neil Gupta in receiving a Technology Grant for the Middle School, approximately $250,000 for the 2010-11 school year.

2. Mr. Robinson recognized Linda and Stephen Jakubowski of Grasonville, Maryland for their donation of $1,000.00 to the Lt. Jason E. Jakubowski Memorial Scholarship Fund.

3. Mr. Robinson introduced Mrs. Mittler to discuss the Northwestern University Midwest Academic Talent Search, the following was presented:
Students in Ashland City Schools recently took part in the Northwestern University Midwest Academic Talent Search. These students took either the EXPLORE, ACT and/or SAT tests as 6th, 7th, or 8th graders.

Each Student received a plaque from the Greater Cleveland Coordinators of the Gifted for their outstanding achievement. The plaques were sponsored partially by Hyland Software. The following students were recognized:

6th graders: Abigail Merkel and Amanda Ehrmantraut

7th graders: Alex McMillen and Barat Venkataramany

8th grader: William MacDonald

Mr. Robinson also recognized 2 students from Lincoln Elementary (not listed on the agenda) for receiving the "Create a Character Context" award with Scholastic:

5th graders: Jordan Espinosa and Zeke Lisius

B. Comments/Correspondence – No discussion took place

C. Other

Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) Presentation/Review

Mr. Earl Crossland with V.S.W.C. architect firm reviewed the following procedure that took place to begin the development of potential construction plan for Ashland City Schools:

The process began with interviews and representation from the community including: small groups, strategic committee meetings, Hammond Construction and O.S.F.C. meetings with the Building/Grounds committee, on-line surveys, community forums. He further commended the strongest consensus from all meetings the greatest need with Ashland City Schools is to replace the middle school building. The second pressing needs were to replace 3 elementary buildings, Lincoln, Osborne, and Montgomery.

Mr. Crossland explained the participation of Expedited Local Partnership (ELPP) and the Classroom Facilities Assistance Programs (CFAP). He announced the local responsibility of the potential building project to be 63% with the state share at 47%.

He further extensively presented the Ashland City Schools Master Plan Options:

The first option presented included: building a new high school; moving the middle school students to the existing high school (grades 5-8); renovations to the existing high school; and building on Duff field, a new K-4 elementary building.

This option is approximately 37.5 million dollars in local share with a 3.8 potential mill levy.

Mr. Crossland communicated the local share of money raised would be utilized until the state funding is available.

The second option presented included: Building a new middle school (grades 6-8) on Duff field, and a new elementary building on Duff field (grades K-5). The cost of this proposal is 31 million dollars and the potential levy would consist of 3.15 mills.

Dr. Wolfe left the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Discussions took place:

Mr. Ewing mentioned the comparison of plans and taken into account. He thanked Mr. Crossland and V.S.W.C. for their involvement with the process.

Mr. Crossland mentioned the district will have to pass a ½ mill set-aside fund for protection of upkeep on the new construction projects.

Mr. Robinson mentioned the timing was proper and he further discussed the need to renew the Permanent Improvement Levy and the current funding status of the Ohio School Funding Commission with current projects.

Mr. Lavinder mentioned the election deadlines and the need for the Board to make decisions rather quickly for renewal of the P.I. levy and the potential Bond fund from the proposed project.

Mr. Ewing suggested the Board aim toward a decision for the June meeting to keep the process moving. He mentioned the intent was to keep the millage low for the benefit of the community.

Mr. Lavinder suggested coordination of a decision with the June work session and if possible to include channel 72, both options presented.

Mr. Robinson assured the Board he would continue to focus on the need to communicate through e-mail, website, radio, media, etc… to move forward the the proposed plan(s).

Mr. Robinson commented he was proud of the fact that as the progress moved forward for potential construction plans, the academic focus for students was always in review with alignment of both plans. He mentioned the Board was not focused on building "buildings"; rather, the focus was for the academic success for current and the future students of Ashland City Schools.

V. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS

No discussion took place

VI. FINANCIAL/BUSINESS REPORT – Treasurer and Business Manager

Financial Report **2010-05-053 -**Upon the Treasurer's recommendation, Mr. Ewing moved and Mr. Lavinder seconded to approve the April 2010 Financial Report as presented (copy on file in Board Office) – motion carried, 4-0.

Five-Year Forecast **2010-05-054**-Upon the Treasurer's recommendation, Mr. Lavinder moved and Mr. Hill seconded the motion to approve the Five-Year Forecast as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

Ms. Roop presented the forecast to be submitted to the Ohio Department of Education.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consent Calendar **2010-05-055** - Upon the Superintendent's recommendation, Mr. Lefelhoc moved and Mr. Ewing seconded the motion to accept the following Consent Calendar. Motion carried 4-0.

1. Minutes
   Approve the minutes of the following Board meeting(s) as presented by the Treasurer:

April 12, 2010	Work Session
April 26, 2010	Regular Meeting

2. Certificated/Licensed Personnel
   Approve the personnel and/or contract recommendations detailed in the Exhibit items listed below as per the dates, terms and other applicable conditions specified and pending completion of all state, local and district requirements.

   a. Renewal of Teacher Contracts Expiring in 2010 (EXHIBIT B)

   b. Employment of Summer School Teachers (EXHIBIT B)

   c. Certificated One-Year Non-Renew Contracts for 2010-2011 (EXHIBIT B)

   d. Three-Year Supplemental Contracts for 2010-2011 through 2012-2013. (EXHIBIT B)

   e. One-year Supplemental Contracts for 2010-2011 (EXHIBIT B)

   f. Renewal of Teacher Contracts Expiring in 2010 (EXHIBIT B)

   g. Certificated Extended Day Contracts for 2010-2011 (EXHIBIT B)

3. Support Staff
   Approve the personnel and/or contract recommendations detailed in the Exhibit items listed below as per the dates, terms and other applicable conditions specified and pending completion of all state, local and district requirements.

   a. Special Duty Contracts (EXHIBIT C)

   b. Transfers (EXHIBIT C)

   c. Contract Being Non-renewed for 2010-2011 (EXHIBIT C)

   d. Resignation/Retirement (EXHIBIT C)

   e. Classified Substitute for 2009-2010 (EXHIBIT C)

4. Program/Other –

   a. Approve the 256 members of the Class of 2010 for graduation pending successful completion of their studies. (EXHIBIT D)

   b. Approve the release of seniors from class as May 28, 2010 for the remainder of the school year as recommended by the High School Principal.

B. Ohio High School Athletic Association - **2010-05-056** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Ewing made the motion, seconded by Mr. Lavinder, to adopt a resolution renewing membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2010-2011 school year.-Motion carried 4-0.

C. School Handbooks-**2010-05-057** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Lavinder made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ewing to approve the adoption of the 2010-2011 Handbooks for the following schools:

Ashland High School	Ashland Middle School
Edison Elementary School	Lincoln Elementary School
Osborn Elementary School	Montgomery Elementary School
Taft Elementary School	

-Motion carried 4-0.

D. Student Assistant-**2010-05-058** Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Hill made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ewing to approve the employment of a student assistant, Josh Smith, for the purpose of cleaning the district's computers and printers and also helping with general network maintenance. This student assistant will be paid $8.00 per hour with the program cost not to exceed $2,250.00 for the summer.-Motion carried 4-0.

E. TCESC Employment Services Contract – **2010-05-059** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Ewing made the motion, seconded by Mr. Lavinder to adopt the resolution of Cooperative Services for the 2010-2011 school year to contract with the Tri-County Educational Service Center for special education supervisory services, and preschool special education classes. Other services to be provided may include, but not be limited to equipment, social services and staff development.-Motion carried 4-0.

F. ECSE Grant Consortium FY 2011-**2010-05-060** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Lavinder made the motion, seconded by Mr. Hill to approve participation in a consortium with Tri-County Educational Service Center for the federal early childhood special education (ECSE) funding with the TCESC serving as the fiscal agent.-Motion carried 4-0.

VIII. BOARD REPORTS

Mr. Lavinder commented on the legislative liaison meetings.

Mr. Ewing announce the need for a policy meeting.

Mr. Lavinder made comments regarding the results of a questionnaire (self-evaluation) of the Board. He also mentioned the necessity to consider a retreat in August/September.

IX. COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

A. Public –
Mr. Dan Reuger made comments regarding the health plan and the Healthcare committee review for cost savings measure. He then discussed the goals of the committee to continue to save costs of healthcare through preventing illness (wellness plan)

B. Board Members
Mr. Lefelhoc mentioned the questions he had been receiving concerning the horticulture program and wanted the community to know the Board was listening to their concerns and appreciated their comments.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION, 2010-05-061 – Mr. Ewing moved and Mr. Lavinder seconded the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, as a public board of education may hold an executive session only after a majority of a quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session,

and only at a regular or special meeting, for the sole purpose of consideration of any of the following matters:

A. To consider one or more, as applicable, of the following items with respect to a public employee or official:
   1. Appointment.
   2. Employment.
   3. Dismissal.
   4. Discipline.
   5. Promotion.
   6. Demotion.
   7. Compensation.
   8. Investigation of charges/complaints (unless public hearing requested).

B. To consider the purchase of property for the public purposes or for the sale of property at competitive bidding.

C. Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.

D. Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

E. Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes.

F. Specialized details of security arrangement where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing or avoid prosecution for a violation of the law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ashland City Schools Board of Education, by a majority of the quorum present at this meeting, does hereby declare its intention to hold an executive session on the above items A (2), (7), B and D— motion carried, 4-0.

The Board, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Knabe, and Ms. Roop entered executive session at 9:05 p.m.

Mr. Robinson, Mr. Knabe, and Ms. Roop exited executive session at 10:11

Executive session concluded at 10:30

XI. **ADJOURNMENT 2010-05-062**- Mr. Ewing moved and Mr. Lavinder seconded the motion to adjourn the May 24, 2010 Regular meeting-motion carried 4-0.

Certificate Section 5705.412, Revised Code

It is hereby certified that the Ashland City School District Board of Education, Ashland County, Ohio, has sufficient funds to meet the contract agreement, obligation, payment or expenditure for the above, and has in effect for the remainder of the fiscal year and succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes which, when combined with the estimated revenue from all other sources available to the district at the time of certification, are sufficient to provide operating revenues necessary to enable the district to operate an adequate educational program on all days set forth in its adopted school calendar for the current fiscal year and for a number of days in the succeeding fiscal year equal to the number of days instruction was or is scheduled for the current fiscal year.

5/24/2010 _____
Treasurer

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Superintendent of Schools

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President, Board of Education

_____ ATTEST: _____
Bryan Lefelhoc, President Gina Roop, Treasurer